

Welcome to
Shenendehowa United Methodist Church

Contemporary Worship Service

September 25, 2022 - 10:45 am



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Connecting People to Christ and Community

We're Glad You've Joined Us!

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GATHERING

***SONG OF PRAISE**

"Graves Into Gardens"

WELCOME

Dan Packard
Contemporary Worship Director

***SONGS OF PRAISE**

"Gone"

"Cornerstone"

Shen UMC Worship Band

Dan MacDonald, Ben Moss, Dan Packard, Brian Spinner, Sarah Spinner

PRAYER

MESSAGE

"Core Values: Living God"

Pastor Lee Carlson

SHARING OUR GIFTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***SONG OF PRAISE**

"Way Maker"

***BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH**

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

Thank you for joining us for worship – see you next week!

Prayers may be sent to prayerrequest@shenumc.org.

Core Values
"Living God"

Romans 5:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:18

1. Core Values: The _____ of the Christian Faith
 - a. The _____: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
 - b. Jesus Christ and His _____
2. Making Sense of Jesus' Death on the Cross
 - a. Christianity is the only major religion in the world that, for many followers, considers the death of its founder as being more important than his _____.
 - b. _____ and the Gospel writers offer multiple images and metaphors to describe what Jesus' death means.
3. Atonement
 - a. Definition: To make amends with somebody in order to be _____ with them.
 - b. *At-One-Ment*, first we reconcile with _____ and then with one another...but how?
 - i. There is not _____ simple explanation.
 - ii. It is not an equation to be solved, but rather a drama to be _____.
 - iii. It's a drama that, in the end, changes our _____.

"By salvation I mean not barely according to the vulgar notion deliverance from hell or going to heaven, but a present deliverance from sin, a restoration of the soul to its primitive health, its original purity, a recovery of the divine nature the renewal of our souls after the image of God in righteousness and true holiness in justice mercy and truth." (John Wesley)

- c. Atonement Theories (_____ ...every time you turn it, the crystals are sort of reformed and you have a different, beautiful scene that you're bringing to your eye.)
 - i. Penal (punishment) Substitutionary Atonement
 - ⇒ This is the _____ common view of the atonement.
 - ⇒ God cannot forgive sin without punishment, but being merciful, he sends Jesus, his Son, to suffer and die as a _____ for humans.
 - ⇒ The cross is a _____ held up to our souls to see what's wrong with us.
 - ⇒ The cross communicates the Truth that we have been forgiven and _____ is available for all.
 - ii. Moral Theory of Atonement
 - ⇒ The idea that in this divine drama on the cross, God is trying to change our _____.
 - ⇒ God hopes that as we see the King of Glory, Jesus, suffering on the cross, that it affects us and _____ us because we see an innocent man suffering and laying down his life for other people.
 - ⇒ God desires for you and me to realize that Jesus is doing this for _____.

"Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13

"While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us." Romans 5:6-8

⇒ “I _____ you this much!” is precisely what God was communicating through Christ, who hung on the cross.

⇒ Love and the cross are meant to move us so deeply that we want to live and follow in the _____ of the crucified King.

“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.” Galatians 2:20

iii. Incarnational Atonement

⇒ Through Jesus, God was walking in human flesh and experienced the horrible things that human beings do to one another, including suffering and death, so when we’re walking through these things, we can be _____ we have a savior who knows what we are going through.

iv. Paschal Lamb Theory of Atonement

⇒ This theory points to the truth that Jesus liberates us from slavery to sin and brokenness and addiction...and through blood sacrifice, he saves us from _____.

v. Second Adam Theory of Atonement

⇒ Paul calls Jesus the Second _____.

⇒ The first Adam chose his _____ and not God’s will while in the garden.

⇒ The second Adam prayed, “Not my will, but _____ will be done,” while he was in the garden.

vi. Christus Victor (Christ, the Victor) Theory of Atonement

⇒ The idea is that Jesus, while on the cross, took on the forces of evil and hate and ignorance and insecurity and all the forces of _____.

⇒ BUT on the third day he steps from the grave a _____.

⇒ And because of this, we have _____.

⇒ The worst thing is never the _____ thing...cancer, death, etc. will not have the final word.

“Death has been swallowed up in victory.” “Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?” The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.” 1 Corinthians 15:54-57

4. Conclusion

a. Ultimately, it's not one of these views of the atonement that is the sole truth and the explanation...It's a _____ of these theories and many more which could be added.

b. The cross reveals God’s love, mercy, and grace and when you finally get that, you realize you may not fully understand it, but you desperately _____ it.

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. 1 Corinthians 1:18

“For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.” 2 Corinthians 5:14-15

c. God has done His part in the atonement, but have you done yours by receiving Jesus Christ as your Savior?

What's Happening

Creative Hands

Seamen's Church - Christmas at Sea

If you have been working on a project for "Christmas at Sea" please bring it to the church by September 30. You can turn your projects into the church office or label them "Christmas at Sea" and leave them in the brown bin outside door B. You can also deliver your projects to any member of Creative Hands.

The Creative Hands group works with Seamen's Church Institute to help mariners by supplying them with much needed knitted hats, scarfs, etc. Knits for U.S. mariners are mailed to chaplains who along with staff and volunteers pack a box for each boat with a knit gift for EACH mariner, along with other goodies and supplies. Chaplains also deliver ditty bags to harbor tugboat crews based in New York. Thank you to all our Creative Hands members and friends who put so much love and care into each knitted item. Your kindness is truly making a difference for so many.

Church School is Back Don't forget to register!

If you haven't done so already, please register your child/children for Church School by scanning the QR code below or visiting @shenumc.org.

A huge thank you to all who have already signed up to serve, we are so grateful for you! Please consider being a Teacher or Helper at our 9:00 or 10:45 service. To volunteer, you do not need to be a parent or teacher, the easy-to-use curriculum is provided. Click the QR code below or visit @shenumc.org to register.



We are so thankful for all our volunteers who help to make the pumpkin patch possible and successful! It's always a joy to see how our church comes together for this important fundraiser. By investing a few hours of your time to sell pumpkins, you are investing in the spiritual growth of our children and youth. 100% of net proceeds from the pumpkin patch go to children and youth ministries.

Please scan the QR code below to see if you or your friends and family can volunteer for a shift or two at the pumpkin patch! Thank you!! :)



Over the Speed Limit – October Luncheon “Celebrating Family History”

The Over the Speed Limit group will meet on Thursday, October 13 at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall. OTSL is a group for all Shen UMC members and their guests over the age of 55. The guest speaker will be Paul Perrault, Town of Malta Historian. Paul will be talking to the group about celebrating family history. In conjunction with this topic, we will celebrate our own family history through food! Please sign-up to bring a dish that is from your family heritage. If you would prefer not to provide food, you can pay \$5.00/per person and still attend. This will cover the cost of additional food to be purchased. Please sign-up in Fellowship Hall or call Barbara/Joe Mazurak at 518-289-5948. As always, help is needed for set-up and clean-up.

OTSL supports the Bountiful Backpack program which provides food to children and their families on weekends. Items needed include: snack packs, boxed macaroni and cheese, peanut butter, boxed pasta mix, juice boxes, graham crackers, canned fruit, pudding, milk cards, etc. Thank you for your support.

Helping Hands Food Pantry

The food pantry is already starting to plan Thanksgiving Distribution. During the first 3 weeks of November, clients 'shop' in a separate part of the Food Pantry and choose the foods they need for their Thanksgiving Dinner. The items below represent what is needed most to be sure clients have a nice meal to enjoy with their families on Thanksgiving.

Spaghetti Sauce (almost completely out!)
Peanut Butter
Canned Chicken
Baked Beans
Thanksgiving Holiday Food (Boxed Potatoes, Stuffing Mix, Gravy, Baking Products, Baking Mixes, Canned Sweet Potatoes and Yams, Canned Mushrooms, and Pumpkin Pie filling with the spices in it)
Toothpaste
Body Wash
Feminine Products
Paper Towels

Book Club News

The Shen UMC Book Club has chosen *Ordinary Grace*, by William Kent Krueger as the next book. The discussion will be on Monday, **October 10 at 7:00 pm**. New folks are welcome; come once or become a regular! Please contact Becky Nold at beckynold85@gmail.com if you plan to attend in case of last minute changes.

It's not TOO late to join a Small Group!

We are pleased to report that sermon series small groups are back! We have two small group options that will follow our new sermon series, "Core Values". Both groups will meet at the church at the following times:

Sundays at 6:00 pm led by Lee and Michele Carlson
Tuesdays at 9:30 am led by Marcia Smith

More information is available on the church website shenumc.org/small-groups, or you can email Denise Walling at dwalling@shenumc.org with any questions.



Sunday, September 25

9:00 am Traditional Worship
9:15 am Church School
10:15 am Coffee Hour
10:45 am Contemporary Worship
6:00 pm Core Values Small Group - HR
6:30 pm Kasheweta Ringers

Monday, September 26

1:00 pm Creative Hands
2:00 – 5:00 pm Farmers Market
7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 27

9:30 am Core Values Small Group – HR
3:30 pm Community Dinner Prep Begins
6:15 pm Youth Bells
7:00 pm Youth Choir

Wednesday, September 28

6:30 pm Worship Band Rehearsal

Thursday, September 29

7:00 am Men's Breakfast at Cracker Barrel
6:15 pm Junior Choir
7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Community Drive-Thru Dinner

Tuesday, September 27

Volunteers are needed in the church kitchen beginning at 3:30 to prepare the meal. At approximately 5:00 pm we begin to assemble the meals. Once everything is ready to go we start to hand out meals to those who drive up. Anyone is welcome to help for as long as they are available. Please contact Donna Rischbieter at dlrisch@nycap.rr.com if you are available to help with this mission.

