# Revelations

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We have just finished working our way through the sermon series on prayer. Specifically, what we now call "The Lord's Prayer". This is the example Jesus gives in Matthew 6 and Luke 11. We know that this is a *template* not a mandate. We have learned the attitude behind the prayer is more important than the words or the posture. While we look up to God as our Heavenly Father and explore an intimate relationship with him through prayer, we also respect and revere Him as the awesome God he is.

Throughout this study, we looked at what we are saying to God and how what we say and what we ask for can change our lives. But we didn't talk about what happens after we pray.

Are we listening to hear God's answer? Do we set aside time after we pray to hear what God has to say in response? We need to allow ourselves to be open to hearing His answer to our prayer. We can do that through several spiritual disciplines. We can journal our thoughts after we pray. We can meditate and focus on God. We can seek the advice of a Spiritual Advisor. But I believe the surest way to hear the answer is to read God's word.

Yes, opening the Bible and committing time for us to read and reflect on God's Word is the best way to know what He is saying to us. I know that the world is demanding and a busy place but setting aside time for studying God's word will help our priorities to become clear and focused. Our world will make more sense to us when we know the Creator's plan for us.

I challenge each one of us to commit time to reading the Bible every day. If you never have, try to choose a time you can be consistent in your schedule. If you already read the Bible daily, consider adding another time in your day or extending the time you devote now. I guarantee those who read the Bible to know God better will *never* be disappointed.

Blessings and Peace! Pastor Wendy Brown



# Did Someone Hand You This Newsletter?

If so, we're excited to share with you all the things going on in the life of Sharon Center United Methodist Church! Our church is a community that seeks to discover more about God and about who we are as the people God loves. We are truly a family of all ages, and there's always room for more! You're always invited to take part in all the activities and gatherings listed in this newsletter, as well as to join us every Sunday morning at I am as we gather to worship and connect. Thanks!



# Joining Church

If you are interested in joining Sharon Center UMC contact Pastor Wendy. She will set up a meeting for a Membership Sunday.

# Grief Support Group

We will continue Grief Group on Monday nights at 7pm in the Conference Room. This is led by John and Lori Weiss.

#### East Ohio Conference Newsletter Link

Follow the following link to check out the East Ohio Conference Newsletters

https://eocumcnews.com/2025/09/15/september-15-2025/ (Sept. 15 edition)

https://eocumcnews.com/ (Main page)

#### West Plains District Newsletter Link

Follow the following link to check out the West Plains District Newsletter.

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# 3rd Grade & Higher Bible Sunday

We will have a Sunday for 3rd & 4th Graders to receive their Bibles. (Or any elementary Student who hasn't gotten theirs yet). If there is a date this fall that works for families let the office know.



## All Saint's Sunday

All Saint's Sunday is Nov. 2. We will honor those that passed this last year with lighting of a candle and flower. If you have a name to be read please let the office know by Oct. 27.

## Operation Christmas Child Shoebox



Please pick up a Shoebox and tag at the back of the sanctuary (you may have gotten a tag in the mail also). Shoeboxes will need returned by Nov. 16 to be dropped off at the collection point that week.

# Calendar

Regular Schedule: Sun. 11am Worship

#### October

10/4 8am Men's Study at Bob Evans
10/6 7p Grief Group mtg
10/13 7p Grief Group mtg
10/20 7p Grief Group mtg
10/26 11a Combined Service at Granger UMC
10/27 7p Grief Group mtg
10/28 6:30p Herb Society mtg
10/31 6p-8p Trick or Treat night on the Circle

#### November

11/1 8am Men's Study at Bob Evans
11/2 All Saint's Sunday
11/3 7p Grief Group mtg
11/10 7p Grief Group mtg
11/16 OCC Shoebox Return Deadline
11/17 7p Grief Group mtg
11/24 7p Grief Group mtg
11/25 6:30p Herb Society mtg

Thanksgiving Service in November—Info TBD

# October Birthdays

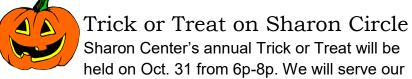
- 2 Danielle Lahoski
- 3 Joe Fox
- 4 Dave Lahoski
- 9 Lloyd Fiste
- 10 Norma Bates
- 19- Bennet Calhoun
- 21 MayKenzie Lahoski
- 22 Pattie Fiste
- 30 Joe Brosch

# October Anniversaries

9 - Dave & Heather Lahoski 13 - Don & Debbie Ensor

#### Spiritual Growth Discussions Our Daily Breads are available at the back of the sanctuary.

Granger Men's Study Group meets at Bob Evan's on Rt. 18 near i71 on the First Saturday of the month at 8am. Sharon UMC is invited to attend.



annual hot dogs, hot chocolate, and pass out candy. Please bring in candy donations to be bagged up in Oct. for the event.

Help is always needed that night also.

## Community Events to Join in on

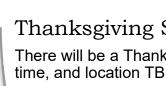
The Sharon Firefighter's Association will have their semiannual Fish Fry on Nov. 8 from 11am-5pm (or sold out). Carry out and dine in is available. Cost is \$15.00 per meal and includes fish, fries, coleslaw, applesauce, dessert, drink.

#### October 26 Combined Service

We will have a combined service at Granger UMC with Sharon Center UMC, Granger UMC, and Remsen Christian Church on Oct. 26 at 11am. Following the service there will be a potluck meal. Bring a dish to share. Granger Twp hosts their community Trick or Treat at 2pm on Oct. 26 and people are invited to stay and participate if they'd like.

# Pop Tab collection

Looking for a simple project to help out big? Collect pop tabs! These can be saved in a baggie and brought to the church and will be given to Ronald McDonald House. There is also a jar in the Gathering Space to drop individual tabs in.



# Thanksgiving Service

There will be a Thanksgiving Service with date, time, and location TBD.

# Blessing Box/ Food Pantry Collection

Please remember the Blessing Box in front of the Church. There are people in our community that go to that box for food on a regular basis. Please pick up some food items and place in box or put in the back of the church and we will add them to the box. This is an important



ministry to our community and much needed in these hard times. Thank You for your help.

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Service time: Sunday, 11am



Join us for Community Trick-or-Treat night. Oct. 31 6p-8p

Candy being collected to pass out, please put at back of sanctuary.

We'll hand out hot chocolate and hot dogs

