

The Worship Service

Sunday, June 28, 2026



Shenkel United Church of Christ

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Shenkel's UCC's Vision Statement

Shenkel United Church of Christ extends a heartfelt welcome to all unbound by physical structure or geography and grounded in creative worship, active spirituality, community action, love and service.

Welcome to Shenkel United Church of Christ!

An Open and Affirming congregation since 2018

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

~Gathering Together~

Prelude "Our God" (arr, Koerts)

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: God calls us to step forth in faith.

C: We respond: Lord, here I am.

L: Jesus sends us out to live in faith.

C: We step out, trusting that God will provide.

Opening Hymn "I Am Welcome" (Chorus only) (SmSgBk#72)

~Coming Alive in Community~

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**O Lord our God, we confess
that we do not reflect your glory.
You deliver us from death to life,
but we live as those enslaved by sin.
You welcome us in Christ,
but we fail to welcome others.
Forgive us; restore and reorder our lives
By the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ.
Help us to live in faith and faithfulness,
responding to your call – here I am-
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Silence for Prayer and Meditation

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear and trust in this good news:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Through him, we have newness of life.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ

L: May the peace of Christ be with you!

C: And also with you!

Special Music

~We Hear God's Word~

Scripture Lessons

Louise Hine

Matthew 10:40-42

Psalms 13

Genesis 22:1-14

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Trust Walk”

Rev. Pam McShane

Hymn for Reflection:

“Like a Rock”

(SmSgBk#49)

~Sharing Blessings with Others~

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

Our Mother/Father, who are in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering our Gifts – Thank you for your faithful support of Shenkel's ongoing ministries.

June's Special Offering – Coventry Food Pantry

Offertory

“As the Wind Song”

(Lim)

Offering Response

“Take My Life, And Let It Be” (SmSgBk#37-4th verse only)

**Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I with-hold.
Take my intellect, and use Every power as Thou shalt choose.**

Prayer of Dedication

~Going out in Joy~

Sending Hymn

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

(SmSgBk#22)

Benediction

Postlude

“Since I Have Been Redeemed”

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Secretary: Danielle Petersen

Ministers: All Members of the Church

Announcements:

~Sunday, June 28, 2026~

Sun, 6/28 ~ Traditionalish Worship Service at 9:45 am in the Grove.

~ Worship and Music committee meeting after worship

~Upcoming events at Shenkel UCC~

Sun, 7/5 ~ Traditionalish Worship Service with communion at 9:45 am in the Grove.

Please feel free to scan this code to donate through our online giving page.



Scripture Reading for July 5th

Tootie Hine

Psalms 145:8-14

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Cluster donations for June: Canned chicken and ham

UPDATE - Pastor Suzanne: Will not be able to come to work for the next two weeks. Should you need anything she will be available by phone at (610) 906-5150.

Prayer Community: Will meet on July 6th at 10:00 am in the Pavilion, weather permitting.

Pottstown Area Pride Event: Shenkel will be hosting the Pottstown Area Pride Fest again. This is our 3rd year as hosts. **Anyone is welcome to volunteer to help make this event fun and safe for all. Please sign up as a volunteer on the website (pottstownpride.org). By signing up we can know who to count on for help the day of the festival – July 18th.** Hope to see you there as we move fully live into our mission to unconditionally love and accept all and generously serve our community. Mark your calendar for Saturday, July 18th from 1:00 – 5:00 pm in the Grove!

Walk and Pray: In an increasingly complex and troubling world, many of us are wondering what to do. One simple act is to walk and pray for peace and wholeness in our world. You are invited to walk the Labyrinth here at Shenkel from 9 - 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. Come as you are able, leave when you are ready. Pam McShane will be at the Labyrinth most weeks to guide those who are new to labyrinth walking. There's power in walking and praying together!

Qigong classes at Shenkel!: Classes are on Thursday mornings from 11AM-noon. Suggested cost is \$12/class or come and pay what you're able. Cash or check payable to Shenkel UCC. Hope you'll join us! No experience necessary--All are welcome!

Grocery run? Consider using Giant and Redner's cards for your grocery store purchases: Shenkel earns \$5 for every \$100 on Giant and Redner's gift cards – which are available every week at church.

Stewardship: Stewardship Committee will meet next on July 1st at 5:30 pm. The charge of the committee is to: find ways to increase much needed revenue, attract new members, and identify new ways to provide ministry. Please contact members of the committee with your thoughts. Committee members: Chris Gray, Dan Jenkins, Kim Yocom, Julie Zachesky, and Brenda Berriker, Tom & Mo Gallant.

Church School: Children from 3 years through grade 6 are invited to participate in church school on the third Sunday of the month at 11:00 AM. Church school will resume in September.

Shenkel Prayer Group: Meets at 10:00 am on the first Monday of the month. All are welcome to participate. Enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and celebrate the Spirit of God moving among us as we pray together.

Prayer Lottery: Shenkel will be praying for:

Kathy Murphy

Sharon and John Sabo

Josh Palubinsky

Christian, Mari and Connor O'Drain

Birthdays in the month of June:

Barry Yocom	6/1/26
Gio Manietti	6/2/26
Margie Allen	6/7/26
Sharon Sabo	6/9/26
Dawn Yocom	6/13/26
Tootie Hine	6/14/26
Kim Bade	6/15/26
Elizabeth Carr	6/16/26
David Derman	6/16/26
Marie Bade	6/18/26
Amelia Snyder	6/22/26
Ken Bevan Jr.	6/25/26
William Keim Jr.	6/25/26
Dan Jenkins	6/29/26
Michael Foss	6/30/26

Mission Statement

Shenkel UCC

- prayerfully and creatively worships God;
- unconditionally loves and accepts all;
- generously gives and serves our community and our world.