

Shavertown United Methodist Church

4th Weekend in Lent

*The mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world!*

PRELUDE Saturday: Ed Pall
Sunday: “Amazing Love/What Wondrous Love Is This” Arr. Carol Tornquist

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Centering Meditation:
“Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress;
he sent out his word and healed them, and delivered them from destruction.”
Psalm 107:19-20 NRSV

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 107 Christine/Ava and Wendy, Liturgists
O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.
**Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those he redeemed from trouble and gathered in from
the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.**
Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.
And let them offer thanksgiving sacrifices, and tell of his deeds with songs of joy.
Come, let us worship the Lord!

OPENING PRAYER
**Calm the chaos in our lives right now, O Lord, that we might open our hearts to your word
and redeeming love. Use this time of worship to prepare us for the cross which draws ever
nearer. Come, Holy Spirit. Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

“Come and Find the Quiet Center”
Come and find the quiet center
in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter,
find the frame where we are freed:
Clear the chaos and the clutter,
clear our eyes, that we can see
all the things that really matter,
be at peace, and simply be.

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Silence is a friend who claims us,
cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us,

knows our being, touches base,
making space within our thinking,
lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking,
finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel,
open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel,
celebrate the space we gain:
there's a place for deepest dreaming,
there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming
there is always room to spare!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD’S (DISCIPLE’S) PRAYER

Our Father, who art 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass 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.

THE WORD OF GOD Numbers 21:4-9 NRSV
TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Strange Story of Salvation

A GIFT OF MUSIC “10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) By: Matt Redman
Shavertown United Methodist Youth Group and God’s Handful Choir

CALL TO OFFERING
***DOXOLOGY** # 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING
**So often, O God, we take for granted your favor. Please forgive us. Today, through our
offering, we remember all that you have done for our sake. Accept, Dearest Lord, a token
of our thankfulness. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD
THE MESSAGE

John 3:14-21 NRSV
For God So Loved...

Pastor Robin

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord our God, good and merciful, I acknowledge all my sins which I have committed every day of my life, in thought, word and deed; in body and soul alike. I am sincerely sorry that I have offended you, and I truly repent. I humbly ask you, O Lord: by your great mercy forgive me all my past transgressions and absolve me from them. I firmly resolve, with the help of your Holy Spirit, to amend my way of life with the goal to sin no more; that I may walk in the way of the righteous and offer praise and glory to the Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

For God so loved us that he gave us his only Son. This proves the depth of God's mercy, compassion, and love. In the name of Jesus Christ, we all are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN OF GOING FORTH

"Lift High the Cross"

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Refrain:

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.

Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign.
The hosts of God in unity combine. [Refrain]

Each newborn servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died. [Refrain]

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. [Refrain]

So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! [Refrain]

BENEDICTION

The burden of our sin has been carried once more by our Savior.
Let us go forth in deepest gratitude for his amazing love. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

"Fanfare and March on St. Theodulph"

John S. Dixon



For God So Loved...

Second Weekend of March, 2021

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Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage

COMING UP MARCH 8th THROUGH MARCH 14th

MARCH ALTAR GUILD - Cathy Nicks & Susan Roesse

MARCH GREETER ORGANIZERS – Saturdays- Alice Newell ; Sundays – Christie Wilson

GREETERS– Saturday 03/7 at 5:30PM- Narthex –

GREETERS – Sunday 03/8 at 9:30PM – Narthex –

LITURGISTS- 5:30 PM –; 9:30 AM –

USHERS – Saturday 03/7 at 5:30PM –

USHERS – Sunday 03/08 at 9:30AM –

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 8th:

ACOLYTE –

ALTAR FLOWERS –

Sun., Mar 8	9:30 AM	Worship
	10:30-10:45 AM	Fellowship Time in Social Hall
	10:45-11:30 AM	Sunday School for all ages
	11:30-12:30 PM	God's Handful
	6:30-8:00 PM	Venturing Crew in the lounge
Mon., Mar 9	12:30 PM	Women's Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Praise Band Concert
Tues., Mar 10	10:00 AM	Coffee and Conversation
	4:30-5:00 PM	Children Of Light
	4:30-5:00 PM	Cherubs
	5:00-5:35 PM	Chapel Chimes
	5:45-6:30 PM	Good News Ringers
	6:15-8:00 PM	Girl Scouts Unit 319
	7:00 PM	Trustees
Wed., Mar 11	9:00 AM	Prayer Gathering
	6:30-8:00 PM	Girl Scout Troop #32667
	7:30-8:45 PM	Chancel Choir
Thur., Mar 12	6:30-8:00 PM	Grief Share
Fri., Mar 13	10:00-12:00 PM	Community Care Cabinet
Sat., Mar 14	1:15 PM	God and Church in the lounge
	5:30 PM	Worship

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

COMMUNITY CARE CABINET - Donations continue to be accepted throughout the year. A container is located in the Narthex for donations. The Community Care Cabinet is open for clients here at SUMC every Friday from 10 AM to 12 Noon. For more information contact Sue Holdredge1@gmail.com

REMINDER- The roof is now being raised!!! Raise the Roof II donations can be given at any time. Please specify on your check memo line "Raise the Roof II".

Amount needed: \$155,000.00 Amount Received so far: \$ 25,750.00

***There are more Raise The Roof Phase 2 envelopes in the Narthex.

If you can participate in the Greeter/Usher duties for the Saturday night 5:30PM service, please contact Alice Newell at 570-675-2954. Leave a message with return contact information.

EASTER EXTRAVAGANZA – will be held Saturday, April 4th at 1:00 pm. Crafts, games, the Easter Story, and an egg hunt are planned. Donations of **small** individually wrapped candy will be accepted and can be placed in the bin in the Narthex. Please bring donations of candy by Sunday, March 29th. For more information contact Brenda Kopalek at 304-964-7130.

EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORMS

Faithfulness in Worship Attendance:

February 22nd & February 23rd: \$7,183.00

Weekly Financial Goal: \$6,822.00

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 23rd THROUGH FEBRUARY 29th

Please contact Pastor Robin at 570-220-1138 or the Church Office at 570-675-3616 if you are being hospitalized, having surgery or in need of pastoral care or prayer. Prayer requests can be included on the e-mail prayer chain by contacting the church office at shavertownumc@susumc.org or by calling 570-675-3616.

OUR PRAYER LIST: The United Methodist Church; victims of recent acts of violence across the world; tornadoes, typhoons, hurricanes, International relations; immigration issues; the opioid crises; persecuted for their faith; men & women in Law Enforcement; Caregivers; fair business practices; those in difficult relationships; children & teens at risk; those incarcerated; those living in darkness; those seeking healing for domestic abuse, those with hatred in their hearts that God will turn their hearts to love, the opening of hearts; marriages.

Concerns: Robert Dolbear; Carole Broehl; Lynn Evans; Judy; Pastor Beth; Bill B.; Bill Lawson; Carol Pickering; Harold; Vivian, Paige; B. (addiction & open heart); Nina; Fred; Tom & Mary Ellen Pajor; Evan Nicks; Anne Reese; Karen; Jeff; Bill; Ben Tielle; Tom; Joy; Baby Paxton; Frank; Kaitlyn; Peggy & Pat; Bernie; Hillary; Patti; Pat Kirk; Don Dixon; Khloe Lamoreaux; Ellie H.; Easton Walsh; Elaine Bearley; Betsy Roe; Jack; Rich Zbysheski; Charlie Kishbaugh; James Petrie; Paul Nice, Jr.; Ray Stevens; 8 yr. old Asher Dicton; Mary L.; Baby Noah & mother; Robert W.; Jack; Cheryl Howard; Donald Stevens; Paul; Linda; John Newell; Chris H.; John Roushey; Audrey McGough; Christina; Theresa Krasucki; Joanne; Regina; Rick Newell; Joe Solomon; Catherine; Heather; Mary Ann; Frank; Marlene K; Chuck Story; Dr. Walter Novelli; Heather Baker; Tia; Wayne Womack; Mark; David Edwards; Alice & Jay Niskey

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY:

Maj. Shannon Dzury Dawson, US Air Force
LCDR John W. Gilligan, US Navy
Sgt. Scott Kocher
Lt. Col. Stephen C. Phillips
Todd Mark US Army, South Korea
Col. P.J. Perrone, Jr. Pentagon, Washington DC
Major Erika Reese, US Army, Ft. Benning, GA
Lt. Mary Ketchner, Naval Base, Kitsap, WA
1st Lt. Allen Carson, 109th US Army Reserves, Phila.
Jon Laity, US Navy, Japan
2nd Lt. Michael T. Shutlock, US Air Force
Elijah Geise, U.S. Marines
Raphael Zbysheski, U.S. Marine Corp., K-Bay, Hawaii

CPL Amy Polachek, US Marines, Quantico, VA
Rick Hodle, Jr., US Navy
Sgt. Josh McCue US Air Force
Specialist Charles Yavorski, FT. Bragg, N. Carolina
Gregory Navestad, US Air Force ROTC Scholarship
Travis Butler, US Navy Reserves
Evan Newell, Fort Campbell, Kentucky
Specialist Alex Barilla, US Army, Kansas
Spc. Brandon Pall, Afghanistan
Pfc. Michael Biesecker, US Marine Corps Reserves
Jackson Rogers, US Marines, Okinawa
Rick Hodle III, US Army

THINK OF THIS FRIEND (with cards and prayers):

Alice and Jay Niskey, The Village At Greenbriar, 4244 Memorial Hwy., Apt. 201, Dallas, Pa. 18612

Welcome To Worship

We are so glad to worship with you this morning!

Church Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 8:30am through 4:00pm; Closed Friday

MARCH ALTAR GUILD - Cathy Nicks & Susan Roes

MARCH GREETER ORGANIZERS – Saturdays- Alice Newell ; Sundays – Christie Wilson

GREETERS– Saturday 02/29 at 5:30PM- Narthex – Lou and Gayle Yanora

GREETERS – Sunday 03/01 at 9:30PM – Narthex –

LITURGISTS- 5:30 PM – Mary Ellen Pajor; 9:30 AM – Nick Michalisin

USHERS – Saturday 02/29 at 5:30PM – Lou and Gayle Yanora

USHERS – Sunday 03/01 at 9:30AM – The Moss family

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 1st: John Nicks

ACOLYTE – Paige Navestad

ALTAR FLOWERS –

Sun., Mar 1	9:30 AM	Worship
	10:30-10:45 AM	Fellowship Time in Social Hall
	10:45-11:30 AM	Sunday School for all ages
	11:30-12:30 PM	God's Handful
Mon., Mar 2	12:30 PM	Women's Bible Study with pizza
	6:00-7:30 PM	Cadettes #30262
	7:00 PM	Praise Band rehearsal
Tues., Mar 3	10:00 AM	Coffee and Conversation
	4:30-5:00 PM	Children Of Light
	4:30-5:00 PM	Cherubs
	5:00-5:35 PM	Chapel Chimes
	5:45-6:30 PM	Good News Ringers
Wed., Mar 4	9:00 AM	Prayer Gathering
	6:30 PM	Mission and Outreach
	6:30-8:00 PM	Girl Scout Troop #32667
	7:30-8:45 PM	Chancel Choir
Thur., Mar 5	6:30 PM	Men's Bible Study
	6:30-8:00 PM	Grief Share
Fri., Mar 6	10:00-12:00 PM	Community Care Cabinet
	1:00 PM	World Day of Prayer @ Loyalville UMC
Sat., Mar 7	1:15 PM	God and Church in the lounge
	5:30 PM	Worship