

Shavertown United Methodist Church

Palm/Passion Weekend

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

PROCESSIONAL

The Palms

by Gabriel Faure

Trumpet: Mr. Bobby Baird

Piano: Nancy Evans

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Centering Meditation:

“Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!”

Mark 11:9b NRSV

PALMS LESSON

Mark 11:1-11

Cathy/Michelle

INTROIT

Sing Hosanna!

Children of Light

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 118:26-27

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

The Lord is God, and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

*OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, on this day, your son Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed King by those who spread garments and palm branches along his way. Let those branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our Lord, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life. In his name we pray. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

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.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

A GIFT OF MUSIC

Festival Jubilee

by Anna Laura Page

Good News Ringers

CALL TO OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

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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

Long ago, people laid palm branches before you, Jesus, in recognition of your reign. Today, we lay our time, our talents, our gifts, our service, and our witness before you to proclaim you Lord of our lives. Receive these offerings as a sign of our faith and obedience to Our King. Amen.

THE MESSAGE

A New Covenant

Pastor Robin

A GIFT OF MUSIC

The Garden Call

by J. Martin/B. Nix

Chancel Choir

PASSION LESSON

Philippians 2:5-11

PRAYER FOR A WALK IN CHRIST’S PASSION

Almighty and Eternal God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

HYMN OF GOING FORTH *The Old Rugged Cross* # 504

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
the emblem of suffering and shame;
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain:
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
and exchange it some day for a crown.

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
has a wondrous attraction for me;
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above
to bear it to dark Calvary.

(Refrain)

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
a wondrous beauty I see,
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,
to pardon and sanctify me.

(Refrain)

To that old rugged cross I will ever be true,
its shame and reproach gladly bear;
then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
where his glory forever I'll share.

(Refrain)

BENEDICTION May God strengthen us on the walk to Calvary. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast* Organ Arr. Benton Price

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF MARCH 27 THROUGH APRIL 3

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 violence; those persecuted for their faith; men & women in Law Enforcement; caregivers; those in difficult relationships; children & teens at risk; those incarcerated; those with hatred in their hearts; marriages in trouble, cancer and Covid 19 victims.

Concerns: Ken Kirk, our homebound friends, Kevin Kear, Peggy Evans, Jim & Elaine Laubach, Jimmy Tighe, Randy, Allan Kinsman, Bernie, Tom Kucewicz, Bill Chapple, Shawn, Bernice, Judy Loeffler, Jack, Jane Ketchner, Ricky, Bonnie Brader, George & Jean Parrs, Tammy Wahl, Mary Ellen Pajor, Sandy Richardson, John Nicks, John Bunney, Randy Jones, Nancy, Heidi Wagner, Fred Gribble, Deb Lamoreux, David, Martha Kanjorski, Paula, Carol Foreman, Cindy Biesecker, Deb

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., Fort Belvoir, VA
Major Erika Reese, US Army, Ft. Benning, GA
Specialist Alex Barilla, US Army, Kansas
Spc. Brandon Pall, Fort Hood, Texas
Jon Laity, US Navy, Japan
2nd Lt. Michael T. Shutlock, US Air Force
Elijah Geise, U.S. Marines

Sgt. Amy Polachek, US Marines, Quantico, VA
Rick Hodle, Jr., US Navy
Sgt. Josh McCue, US Air Force
Specialist Charles Yavorski, FT. Bragg, N.C.
2nd LT Gregory Navestad, Hill AFB, Utah
Travis Butler, US Navy Reserves
Lt. Mary Ketchner, Silverdate, Wa
1st Lt. Allen Carson, 109th US Army Reserves, Phila.
Rick Hodle III, US Army
Pfc. Michael Biesecker, US Marine Corps Reserves
Jackson Rogers, US Marines, Okinawa
Raphael Zbysheski, U.S. Marine Corp., Hawaii

Welcome To Worship

We are so glad to worship with you this morning!

Church Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:30am through 3:00pm

APRIL ALTAR GUILD: Sandy Michalisin & Sue Holdredge

LITURGIST: Weekend of March 27/28 Cathy Nicks (Saturday) Michelle Beutel (Sunday)

GREETER: Alice Newell (Saturday)

ACOLYTE: Paige

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 28: Kim Donlin

ALTAR FLOWERS: Flowers given this weekend in honor of our church family

Sun. Mar. 28	Palm Sunday Worship 9:30am God's Handful 11:45 – 12:45 Fine Arts Meeting 11am on Zoom
Mon. Mar.29	Women's Bible Study 1pm on Zoom Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm
Tues. Mar.30	Men's Bible Study 6:30pm on Zoom
Wed. Mar. 31	Prayer Group 9-10am on Zoom
Thurs. Apr. 1	Holy Thursday worship 7pm
Fri. Apr. 2	Good Friday worship 7pm
Sat. Apr. 3	Worship 5:30pm

THINK OF THIS FRIEND (with cards and prayers)

June VanEtten, The Village at Greenbriar, 4252 Memorial Hwy., Rm116, Dallas, Pa. 18612

COMING UP APRIL 3 THROUGH APRIL 10

APRIL ALTAR GUILD: Sandy Michalisin & Sue Holdredge

LITURGIST: Weekend of April 3/4: Mary Ellen Pajor (Saturday) Bev Bunney 9am TBA 11am (Sunday)

GREETER: Alice Newell (Saturday)

ACOLYTE: TBA

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 4: Chris Ostrowski

ALTAR FLOWERS: Bob & Sandy Richardson in honor of their 57th wedding anniversary

Sun. Apr. 4	Sunrise Easter Worship at the Pavilion 6:30am Easter worship 9am & 11am
Mon. Apr. 5	Women's Bible Study 1pm on Zoom Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm Church Council Meeting 7pm on Zoom
Tues. Apr. 6	Men's Bible Study 6:30pm on Zoom Children of Light 4:30-5 Chancel Choir 5-5:30 Good News Ringers 6-6:45
Wed. Apr. 7	Prayer Group 9-10am on Zoom Mission & Outreach 6:30pm Music Rehearsal 7:30pm
Thurs. Apr. 8	Grief Share 6:30pm in the Lounge Worship Team 7pm
Fri. Apr. 9	Community Care Cabinet 10am
Sat. Apr. 10	Worship 5:30pm

Faithfulness in Worship Attendance: 101

On Line Worship: 41

March 21: \$4,775

Financial Goal: \$6,214

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

GERANIUM SALE: Cindy Biesecker and Morgan are selling geraniums for \$3 to benefit the Community Care Cabinet. Orders are due by April 25. Order forms are located in the narthex or by calling the church office at 570-675-3616.

COMMUNITY CARE CABINET: Donations continue to be accepted throughout the year. A container is in the Narthex for donations. The Community Care Cabinet is open for clients here at SUMC every Friday from 10:00 to 10:30am. For more information contact Sue Holdredge at sue.holdredge1@gmail.com.

ALTAR FLOWERS: Anyone who wishes to purchase altar flowers in honor of a loved one, please contact the church office at 570-675-3616.

GRIEF SHARE: The grief support group meets Thursdays at 6:30 pm in the lounge.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Men's bible study is Tuesdays at 6:30 pm on Zoom. Anyone who wishes to join, please contact the church office at 570-675-3616.

LITURGISTS, GREETERS, AND USHERS: We are in desperate need of volunteers in these areas. Please contact the office if you are interested in helping.

CHURCH BULLETIN DEADLINE: Anyone who wishes to place an announcement in the church bulletin must have their information into the church office by 3pm on Wednesday.

EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30pm*

Sunrise Service at Pavilion 6:30am

Easter Worship 9am and 11am*

*Worship includes Holy Communion

All services require reservations so please call the church office ASAP!