

Shavertown United Methodist Church

3rd Weekend in Lent

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

PRELUDE *"I've Got Peace Like a River"* Words & Music: Traditional
Sarah, Emma, & Connor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Centering Meditation:

“You must follow exactly the path that the LORD your God has commanded you, so that you may live, and that it may go well with you, and that you may live long in the land that you are to possess.”

Deuteronomy 5:33 NRSV

CALL TO WORSHIP Cathy/Cindy, Liturgists

Weary and overwhelmed, we gather.

God's holy word revives us.

Simple and confused, we yield.

God's word gives us wisdom.

Blind and uncomprehending, we await.

God's word enlightens our eyes.

More precious than gold is God's word.

Sweeter than honey are God's commands.

OPENING PRAYER

O God, your weakness is mightier than human strength, your foolishness is wiser than human wisdom. We rejoice that you are with us today. Open our hearts and discipline our will. Teach us to follow your perfect ways. Test us with your righteous decrees. As with a whip, drive us from unholy living, and turn us toward your holy light. Through your Son, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

OPENING HYMN “How Great Thou Art” # 77

O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
consider all the worlds thy hand have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;
how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;
how great thou art, how great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze; [Refrain]

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in;
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
he bled and died to take away my sin; [Refrain]

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! [Refrain]

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 (Sunday)/THE BAPTISM OF KAYNE (Saturday) see insert

A GIFT OF MUSIC *"The Lord's Prayer"* By: Albert Malotte
Soloist: Lisa

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

The wisdom of the world tells us to hoard what we own, O God, while you invite us to share what we have with those in need. Accept these gifts for your purposes, that we may be your servants in the world. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

Exodus 20:1-17 NRSV

THE MESSAGE

Contracts vs. Covenants

Pastor Robin

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

HYMN OF GOING FORTH

“Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast”

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Come, sinners, to the gospel feast;
let every soul be Jesus' guest.
Ye need not one be left behind,
for God hath bid all humankind.

Sent by my Lord, on you I call;
the invitation is to all.
Come, all the world! Come, sinner, thou!
All things in Christ are ready now.

Come, all ye souls by sin oppressed,
ye restless wanderers after rest;
ye poor, and maimed, and halt, and blind,
in Christ a hearty welcome find.

My message as from God receive;
ye all may come to Christ and live.
O let his love your hearts constrain,
nor suffer him to die in vain.

This is the time, no more delay!
This is the Lord's accepted day.
Come thou, this moment, at his call,
and live for him who died for all.

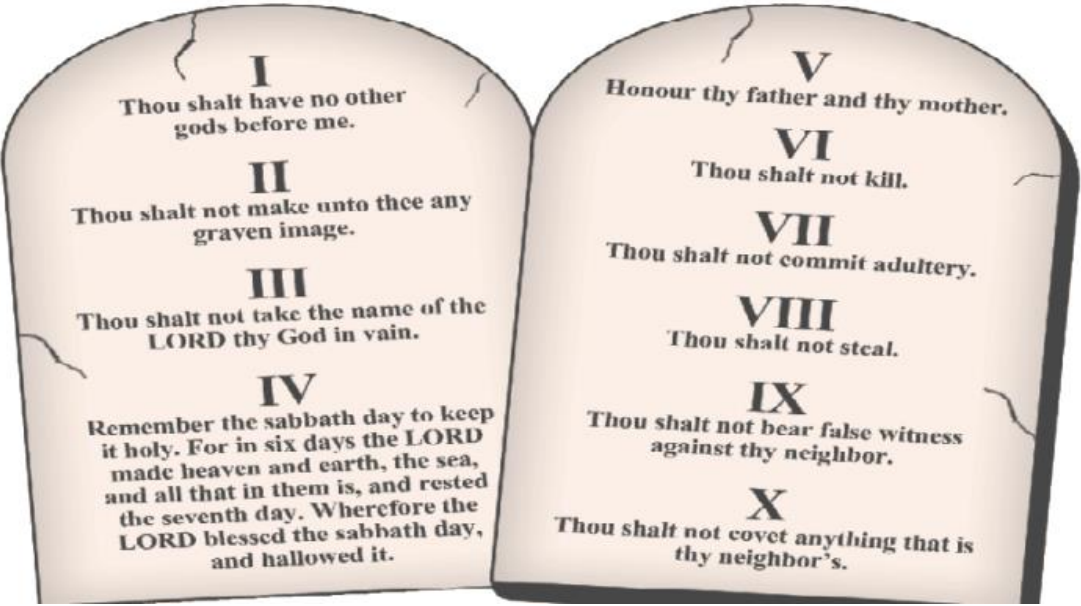
BENEDICTION

Let us go forth into the world as grace-filled people.
And may Our God help us faithfully respond to his loving covenant. Amen.

POSTLUDE

“Trumpet Tune”

By: Henry Prucell



COVENANT

First Weekend of March, 2021

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Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF MARCH 6 THROUGH MARCH 13

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, Jean Parrs, Tammy Wahl, Mary Ellen Pajor, Sandy Richardson, John Nicks, John Bunney, Randy Jones, Nancy, Heidi Wagner

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, Silverdale, 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

MARCH ALTAR GUILD: Cathy Nicks & Susan Roesse

LITURGIST: Weekend of March 6/7- Cathy Nicks (Saturday), Cindy Biesecker (Sunday)

ACOLYTE: Connor

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH : Thomas Ketchner

ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of Betty Crawford Killian by Family

Sun. Mar. 7	Worship 9:30am with Communion Sunday School 10:30-11:30am God's Handful 11:45-12:45pm Live Youth Group 4-6 pm
Mon. Mar.8	Bible Study on Zoom 1-3pm
Tues. Mar.9	Children of Light 4:30-5pm Hybrid Chapel Chimes 5-5:30pm Live Good News Ringers 6-6:45pm Live Men's Bible Study 6:30pm on Zoom
Wed. Mar. 10	Prayer Group 9-10am on Zoom Music Rehearsal 7:30pm
Thurs. Mar. 11	Grief Share Meeting in Lounge 6:30-8pm Lenten Bible Study 7pm Social Hall Trustee Meeting 7pm Social Hall
Fri. Mar. 12	Community Care Cabinet 10am Girl Scout Cookie Sale 5-7pm Parking Lot
Sat. Mar. 13	Worship 5:30pm Girl Scout Cookie Sale 11am – 3pm Parking Lot

THINK OF THIS FRIEND (with cards and prayers)

Jennie Hill, 5 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown, Pa. 18708

COMING UP MARCH 14 THROUGH MARCH 20

MARCH ALTAR GUILD: Cathy Nicks & Susan Roesse

LITURGIST: Weekend of March 13/14- Christine Koerwer (Saturday) TBD (Sunday)

ACOLYTE: Landon

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 14 : Chris Snell

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Sun. Mar. 14	REMEMBER Spring Ahead for Daylight Savings Time Conference Youth Led Worship Online in addition to 9:30am Worship God's Handful 11:45-12:45pm Live Confirmation 4-6 pm Social Hall
Mon. Mar.15	SPPRC 7pm Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm
Tues. Mar.16	Children of Light 4:30-5pm Hybrid Chapel Chimes 5-5:30pm Live Good News Ringers 6-6:45pm Live Men's Bible Study 6:30pm on Zoom Finance Team 7pm on Zoom
Wed. Mar. 17	Prayer Group 9-10am on Zoom Music Rehearsal 7:30pm
Thurs. Mar. 18	Grief Share Meeting in Lounge 6:30-8pm Lenten Bible Study 7pm Sr High Sunday School Room
Fri. Mar. 19	Community Care Cabinet 10am
Sat. Mar. 20	Worship 5:30pm Fellowship Meal at noon

Faithfulness in Worship Attendance: 72

On Line Worship: 79

February 28: \$4,578.50

Financial Goal: \$6,214

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

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.

LITURGISTS: Anyone who wishes to sign up as liturgists for 2021, please contact the office.

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.

MENS'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.

EASTER CANDY NEEDED We are collecting bags of small, wrapped Easter Candy for the Easter Eggstravaganza. A collection bin is located in the narthex. Please bring candy in by March 19.

YOUTH GROUP Youth Group is restarting! We will meet on March 7 in the Social Hall from 4 to 6pm. All 6th through 12th grade youth are welcome.

EASTER FLOWER DEADLINE: Anyone wishing to order Easter flowers must have their form in by the morning of Monday, March 8.

GIRL SCOUT COOKIE SALE: Girl scouts will be selling cookies in the church parking lot on Friday 5-7pm and Saturday 11am – 3pm.