

Shavertown United Methodist Church

October 23 & 24, 2021

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

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

(* indicates please stand if you are able)

PRELUDE

Saturday: "You are My All in All"

By D. Jernigan

Piano: Sharon Bartolini

Sunday: "The Regal Trumpet"

By David Paxton

Organ: Nancy Evans

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MEDITATION

"Indeed, the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart."

Hebrews 4:12

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sarah (Sat)/ Bev (Sun)

The beginning of wisdom is to give reverence to God.

God grant us wisdom to worship and live with reverence.

The wise delight to meditate on God's word and way.

They are like a tree, planted by streams of water, that yields fruit in season.

Its leaf does not wither.

We come to worship God with reverence, hoping to send down the roots of righteousness. Glory be to God, to Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

*OPENING HYMN

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

#400

*OPENING PRAYER

Sarah (Sat)/ Bev (Sun)

O gracious and Holy God, give us diligence to seek you,

Wisdom to perceive you, and patience to wait for you.

Grant us, O God, a mind to meditate on you,

Eyes to behold you, ears to listen for your Word,

A heart to love you, and a life to proclaim you,

Through the power of the spirit of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

GIFT OF MUSIC

Saturday: "Glory to the Lamb"

By L. Dempsey

Piano: Sharon Bartolini

Sunday: "Hallelujah"

By: Leonard Cohen

Handbell Solo: Caitlyn Dunn

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'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.**

CHILDREN'S CHAT

"Where Children Belong"

#2233

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshipping throng.

Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

Brenda K. – Christian Education Co-Ordinator

Congregation to the Children:

We rejoice in this step in your journey with God.

We pray God will guide you, your family, and us as you use the Holy Bible in your home,

In your church school classes, and in our worship.

We will learn together and grow in our love for God's Word.

HYMN

"Thy Word is a Lamp"

#601

Vs 1 Only

CALL TO OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

#94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, who power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Sarah (Sat)/ Bev (Sun)

You invite us, God, to taste and see that you are good.

Well, we have tasted, and you are truly good.

As a token of our gratitude and a reflection of our devotion,

We give back to you from our abundance.

Multiply the gifts of our hands, that they may double what we could do alone.

To the glory and service of Jesus, Amen.

GIFT OF MUSIC

“I’ll Walk with God”

By: N. Brodzky/P.F. Webster

Solo: Pastor Gideon Gaitano

WORD OF GOD

Luke 2: 41-52

Sarah (Sat)/ Bev (Sun)

Hebrews 4:12

MESSAGE

“Christ Follower for Today”

Pastor Jon

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

“Wonderful Words of Life”

#600

***BENEDICTION**

Now that we have worshiped you and heard your Word, inspire us, O Lord, to act upon what we have heard. Enable us to give evidence that we not only pray for your kingdom to come on earth but labor for it as well. In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***POSTLUDE**

“Lord, Be Glorified”

By Kilpatrick

Piano: Sharon

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

By M. Gesangbuch/S. Volkslieder

Piano: Nancy



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PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 23 THROUGH OCTOBER 30

Please contact Pastor Jon Buxton or the Church Office at 570-675-3616 if you are being hospitalized, having surgery, 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

OUR PRAYER LIST: The United Methodist Church, civilian and military families of the Afghan crisis, victims of Hurricane Ida, 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.

JOYS: Jean Linker home and recovering, Matthew Oley 18yrs old 10/17, Engagement of David Thomas to Elizabeth Wild

CONCERNS: Our homebound friends, Levi, D.J. Mikulka, Family of Carol Thomas, Buddy Frey, Lori Oldt's father (Covid) and family, Sandy Richardson, Jean Linker, Ava, Jerry & Wendy Shaffer, Razawich family, Lou Rabel, Jimmy Tighe
Names will be kept on the list for 2 weeks unless notified otherwise. Thank You & may God bless!

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, KS
Spc. Brandon Pall, Fort Hood, TX
Jon Laity, US Navy, Japan
2nd Lt. Michael T. Shutlock, US Air Force

Sgt. Amy Polachek, US Marines, Quantico, VA
Rick Hodle, Jr., US Navy
Sgt. Josh McCue, US Air Force
Specialist Charles Yavorski, FT. Bragg, NC
2nd LT Gregory Navestad, Hill AFB, UT
Travis Butler, US Navy Reserves
Lt. Mary Ketchner, Silverdale, WA
1st Lt. Allen Carson, 109th US Army Reserves, Phila.
Rick Hodle III, US Army
CPL Michael Biesecker, US Marine Corps Reserves
Jackson Rogers, US Marines, Okinawa

Think of this friend (with cards and prayers)

June VanEtten, c/o Greenbriar, 4252 Memorial Hwy., Rm 116, Dallas, Pa. 18612

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are so glad to worship with you today!

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

- OCTOBER ALTAR GUILD:** Donna Kachmar & Marsha Paczewski
LITURGIST: Weekend of Oct 23/24: Sarah Church (Saturday)Bev Bunney (Sunday)
USHERS: TBD (Saturday) Charlie Kishbaugh (Sunday)
GREETER: Mary Lou Grant (Saturday) Susan Crahall (Sunday)
ACOLYTE: Madisen
TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 24: Bob Wagner
ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of Toni Dolbear, Robert Dolbear Jr.& Robert Dolbear Sr. by Gloria Williams
- Sun. Oct. 24 Worship 9:30am with Bible Presentation
Youth Group Bake Sale following worship
Sunday School 10:30 – 11:30am
New Member Class 10:30am Pastor's Office
God's Handful 11:30am – 12:30pm
Venturing Crew 6:30pm Pavilion
Pastor Gideon Gaitano Concert 7pm
- Mon. Oct. 25 Women's Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge
Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm
PEO Meeting 7pm Lounge
- Tues. Oct. 26 Coffee & Conversation 10am Lounge
Choir Practice: COL 4:30pm, Chimes 5pm, Good News Ringers 6pm
Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
- Wed. Oct. 27 Prayer Group 9-10am on Zoom
AA meeting 7pm Social Hall
Chancel Choir practice 7:30pm
- Thurs. Oct. 28 Cherub Choir Rehearsal 5pm
Grief Share Meeting 6:30pm Lounge
Connected in Christ Study Group 7pm
- Fri. Oct. 29 Community Care Cabinet 10am
- Sat. Oct. 30 Worship 5:30pm Visioning Workshop 1pm Social Hall
Leadership Visioning Workshop 1pm Social Hall

COMING UP OCTOBER 31 THROUGH NOVEMBER 6

NOVEMBER ALTAR GUILD: Cathy Nicks & Susan Roese

LITURGIST: Weekend of Oct 30/31: Mary Ellen Pajor (Saturday) Rich Oley (Sunday)

USHERS: TBD (Saturday) Harold Stout (Sunday)

GREETER: Cathy Nicks (Saturday) Edie Graziano (Sunday)

ACOLYTE: Abby

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 31: Aaron Harvatine

ALTAR FLOWERS: In Celebration of Harold & Kristen Stout's 13th Wedding Anniversary

Sun. Oct. 31	Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:30 – 11:30am New Member Class 10:30am Pastor's Office God's Handful 11:30am – 12:30pm
Mon. Nov.1	Women's Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm
Tues. Nov.2	Luzerne County Voting and Bake Sale Social Hall Coffee & Conversation 10am Lounge Choir Practice: COL 4:30pm, Chimes 5pm, Good News Ringers 6pm Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
Wed. Nov. 3	Prayer Group 9-10am on Zoom Mission and Outreach 6:30pm AA meeting 7pm Social Hall Chancel Choir practice 7:30pm
Thurs. Nov. 4	Cherub Choir Rehearsal 5pm Grief Share Meeting 6:30pm Lounge Connected in Christ Study Group 7pm
Fri. Nov. 5	Community Care Cabinet 10am
Sat. Nov. 6	Practice for Children's Musical 10am Social Hall Worship 5:30pm Youth Group Fall Fun Day 4:30 – 7pm

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

LOST AND FOUND: Last call for items in the Lost and Found Box. Please look at the table in the Narthex if you feel you may have lost something. A hearing aid was found at the front of the church.

FALL BAKE SALE: The Youth Group will be selling tasty baked goods after worship this Sunday.

SPECIAL CONCERT: Come and enjoy an evening of music by Pastor Gideon Gaetano this Sunday, October 24 at 7pm. Masks and social distancing are strongly encouraged. The reception after the concert is cancelled.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – The Sunday school classes will be putting together shoebox gifts for children around the world. We are asking the congregation to donate towards the shipping costs which are \$9.00 per shoebox. Donations can be placed in the shoebox in the Narthex. Thank you!

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS: Pastor Jon continues to offer a new membership class at 10:30am each Sunday. If interested in joining the church or finding out more about SUMC, please contact the church office at 570-675-3616.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL – Practices begin November 6th at 10:00am in the social hall for our children's musical which is scheduled for December 19.

YOUTH GROUP FALL FUN DAY – Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join us at the Whistle Pig Pumpkin Farm on Nov. 6 from 4:30-7:00pm. Cost is \$10.00 per person and includes a hayride, corn maze, apple cider, scarecrow making, and a campfire with hot dogs and s'mores! Please sign up in the Narthex.

COMMUNITY CARE CABINET: Volunteers needed to help hand out pre-packaged supplies on Fridays. Please contact the church office if interested.

LIVE NATIVITY: Volunteers needed for December 3 and 4 from 6:00-8:00pm. Please fill out the green form located in the Narthex.

UPCOMING: Christmas will be here before we know it! The Hanging of the Greens will be November 21 at 11:30am. Please come and join us in decorating the church.

PRISCILLA CIRCLE PRAYER PARTNERS: It's that time of year when prayer partners will be chosen for 2022. If you want to continue having a prayer partner, you don't have to do anything. If you are new and want to have a prayer partner or if you want to discontinue having a prayer partner, please contact Mary Ellen Pajor by November 1, 2021. You can call/text 570-905-8511 or email me at tsmepajor@gmail.com.

**Faithfulness in Person Worship Attendance:115 On-Line Worship: 36
Financial Goal: \$6,214 Weekly October: \$4,376**