

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF MARCH 5 THROUGH MARCH 12

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 email prayer chain by contacting the church office at shavertownumc@susumc.org.

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, families dealing with Alzheimer's

JOYS: Generosity for Alima and the Community Care Cabinet, fun times with our church family snow tubing at Montage Mtn.

CONCERNS: Our homebound friends, People of Ukraine, Judy, Rev. Beth Jones, Lori & Mark Kucewicz, Family of Gail Pheiffer, Family & Friends of Robert Albright, Family of Dianne Banta Shelley, Joan Roskos

Names remain 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

1st Lt. Allen Carson, 109th US Army Reserves, Phila.

Rick Hodle III, US Army

CPL Michael Biesecker, US Marine Corps Reserves

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

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

Think of this Friend (with cards and prayers)

Elaine & James Laubach, 36 Ridgway Dr., Apt. 312, Dallas, Pa. 18612

Weekly Financial Goal: \$6,450

Week of February 26/27: \$4,148

Faithfulness in Attendance Feb. 26/27: In Person Worship 160, Online Worship 35

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are so glad to worship with you today!

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

MARCH ALTAR GUILD: Nan Boswell & Carter

LITURGIST: Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat.) Nick Michalisin (Sun.)

USHERS/GREETERS: Alice Newell (Sat.) Kate Jenkins (Sun.)

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 7: Aaron Harvatine

ACOLYTE: Isabella

Sun. Mar. 6 Worship 9:30am

Sunday School 10:30am

God's Handful 11:30am

Easter Eggstravaganza Planning Meeting 11:30am

Confirmation 4 – 6pm Social Hall

Laity/Clergy Listening Session 7pm

Mon. Mar. 7 Women's Bible Study 1 – 3pm

Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm

Tue. Mar. 8 Staff Meeting 11am

Children of Light 4:30pm

Chapel Chimes 5pm

Good News Ringers 6pm

Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom

Trustee Meeting 7pm

Wed. Mar. 9 Prayer 9am on Zoom

AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall

Chancel Choir 7:30pm

Thu. Mar. 10 Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB'S Coffee House

Cherubs 5pm

Grief Share 6:30pm Lounge

Connected in Christ 7:00pm

Fri. Mar. 11 Community Care Cabinet 10am

Sat. Mar. 12 Worship 5:30pm

COMING UP MARCH 12 THROUGH MARCH 19

MARCH ALTAR GUILD: Nan Boswell & Carter

LITURGIST: Cathy Nicks (Sat.) Margie Esopi (Sun.)

USHERS/GREETERS: Lou & Gayle Yanora (Sat.) TBD (Sun.)

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 13: Kim Donlin

ACOLYTE: Ava

Sun. Mar. 13 Worship 9:30am
Sunday School 10:30am
God's Handful 11:30am

Mon. Mar. 14 Women's Bible Study 1 – 3pm
Praise Band Concert 7pm

Tue. Mar. 15 Priscilla Circle Noon
Children of Light 4:30pm
Chapel Chimes 5pm
Good News Ringers 6pm
Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
Finance Meeting 7pm

Wed. Mar. 16 Prayer 9am on Zoom
SPPRC Meeting 6:30pm
AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall
Chancel Choir 7:30pm

Thu. Mar. 17 Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB'S Coffee House
Cherubs 5pm
Grief Share 6:30pm
Connected in Christ 7:00pm

Fri. Mar. 18 Community Care Cabinet 10am
Dancing Thru the Decades 6-8:30pm Social Hall

Sat. Mar. 19 Worship 5:30pm

VISITING OUR CHURCH FOR THE FIRST TIME

Welcome! We are so happy you are joining us for worship today. Please fill out a connection card found in the pew and put it in the collection plate. We invite you to visit our welcome table in the Narthex for a gift and information on the many ministries our church has to offer.

We hope you will join us again soon!

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

GAME NIGHT/SILENT AUCTION: Game Night is March 5, 6:30-8:30pm in the Social Hall. There will be a silent auction at Game Night and in the Narthex on March 6 with proceeds going toward the St. Baldrick's Foundation which funds research on childhood cancer.

LAITY/CLERGY LISTENING SESSION: All are invited to meet with Judy Walker on Sunday, March 6, at 7pm in the Social Hall. Join us! This is your opportunity to offer input and help strategically plan for the future as together we strive to effectively make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of lives and the world.

LENTEN TREE: Our Lenten tree can be found in the Narthex. The Sunday School children will be making something each week to add to the tree to remember to Pray, Fast, and Give. Please watch as the bare branches of the tree get transformed in beautiful ways during Lent!

EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA: There is an Easter Eggstravaganza planning meeting at 11:30am on March 6 in the Social Hall. Anyone interested in helping is invited to attend. We are also asking for donations of small, wrapped candy to be used to fill the eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please place items in the box in the Narthex.

COMMUNITY CARE CABINET: We service 15 families a week supplying items that cannot be purchased with food stamps. For 5 weeks we are requesting a different product to be donated. For the week of Mar. 6, please donate only tissue boxes. Thank you & God bless!

YOUTH GROUP: Greta Ketchner and our youth group will be having an event on Saturday, March 12, 9-10am, to help raise awareness of childhood cancer.

PRISCILLA CIRCLE: Meeting is Tuesday, March 15 at noon in the social hall. Please bring a lunch and share in fellowship. Meetings will be planned for the remainder of the year. The Center St. door will be open for handicapped entry. For further information, please call or text Cathy Berkey at 570-709-2338.

FAMILY FUN DANCE: We are having a family fun dance on March 18, 6:30-8pm in the Social Hall. Please sign up in the Narthex if you plan to attend. All ages welcome!

UNITED METHODIST RESPONSE TO THE INVASION OF UKRAINE: Donations can be made to International Disaster Response and Recovery through Advance #982450. Please make checks out to Shavertown UMC and note the advance number in the memo.

NURSERY AVAILABLE EVERY SUNDAY AT 9:30AM WORSHIP

Shavertown United Methodist Church

March 5 & 6, 2022

1st Sunday in Lent | Hope Series-Week 1

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 Worship Musician: Ed

Sunday: "Shout to the Lord"

By Darlene Zschech

Piano: Nancy

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MEDITATION

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.

Psalm 130:7

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Mary Ellen (Sat)/ Nick (Sun)

There is something deeper than trouble. **It is mercy.**

God's amazing grace; **Carrying, lifting, holding us in all seasons.**

There is something more powerful than despair. **It is mercy.**

God's amazing love; **Seeing us through dark night, waves of sadness, mountains of grief.**

There is something longer lasting than pain. **It is mercy.**

God's healing touch; **Bringing us hope, leading us to joy, teaching us to sing.**

*OPENING PRAYER

Mary Ellen (Sat)/ Nick (Sun)

O Holy God, open unto me light for my darkness, courage for my fear, hope for my despair.

O loving God, open unto me wisdom for my confusion, forgiveness for my sins, love for my

hate. O God of peace, open unto me peace for my turmoil, joy for my sorrow, strength for

my weakness. O generous God, open my heart to receive all your gifts. Amen

Howard Thurman, USA, 20th Cent

*OPENING HYMN

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

#140

CHILDREN'S CHAT

"Where Children Belong"

#2233

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

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

JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

"Through It All"

#507

*Through it all, through it all, I've learned to trust in Jesus, I've learned to trust in God;
through it all, through it all, I've learned to depend upon God's word.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Mary Ellen (Sat)/ Nick (Sun)

**Let your favor, O God, be upon these gifts, that your work may prosper in this church, in
this neighborhood, and in the wider world. Amen**

WORD OF GOD (responsive)

Mary Ellen (Sat)/ Nick (Sun)

Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, that you may be worshiped.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, in the Lord's word I hope;

My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,

more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love,

with the Lord is plenteous redemption.

And the Lord will redeem Israel from all iniquities.

WORD OF GOD

Psalm 40:1-11

Mary Ellen (Sat)/ Nick (Sun)

MESSAGE

"At the End of Your Rope"

Pastor Jon

GIFT OF MUSIC "Be Still" By Mary McDonald
Chancel Choir

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION (UM Hymnal pg. 12)

INVITATION

CONFESSION AND PARDON

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

LORD'S PRAYER

(UM Hymnal pg.13)

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.**

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

GIFT OF MUSIC "Come, Share this Feast of Love" By M.K.Beall/L.Larson
Chancel Choir & God's Handful

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH** "Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom" #508
Vs. 1, 2 & 5

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** "Trust and Obey" By J.Sammis/D.Towner
Organ: Nancy

**Immediately following worship, all Sunday school students will meet in the
Social Hall. Thank you!**



March 5 & 6, 2022

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