

Shavertown
United Methodist Church
2nd Weekend after the Epiphany

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

* = if you are able, we invite you to please stand

PRELUDE

I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

The Snell Family

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Centering Meditation:

“Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree?
You will see greater things than these.”
John 1:50 NRSV

CALL TO WORSHIP

Emma and Sarah, Liturgists

Come into worship,
and see what God has in store for us today!
We have busy lives, but still, we’re curious . . .
Come into God’s presence,
and see the difference love makes!
**We’ve been burned by love before,
but still, we’re needy . . .**
Come into the light and see the glory of God!
**Our eyes have been closed for so long,
but still, we yearn for the light . . .**
Come and see! Come and see!

OPENING PRAYER

Open our ears, O God, that we might hear your Word speaking to us in this moment.
Open our ears, O God, that we might listen for your voice calling to us through scripture.
Open our ears, O God, that we might understand your promises to followers both old and young, ancient and modern. Open our hearts, O God, that we might enter into the love you offer us. Amen.

OPENING HYMN

To God Be the Glory

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1. To God be the glory, great things he hath done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!

O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. Refrain)

3. Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done,
and great our rejoicing thru Jesus the Son;
but purer, and higher, and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see. (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.

A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

A GIFT OF MUSIC

When You Are a Soldier By: S.C. Chapman

Solo: Lisa Snell

CALL TO OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY**

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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

Thank you, Lord, for the opportunity to bless you with our offering today. Receive it in gratitude for the gift of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

John 1:43-51 NRSV

THE MESSAGE

“Now You See Him, Now You Don’t”

Pastor Robin

HYMN OF GOING FORTH

Open My Eyes, that I May See

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1. Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

2. Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

3. Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

BENEDICTION

Go into the world, listening for God’s call in your lives.

Go into the world, ready to follow Jesus Christ.

Go into the world, sustained by the love and power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Sing The Glad Song

Franklin Ritter



Jesus, Man of Mystery

Third Weekend of January, 2021

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Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 16 THROUGH JANUARY 23

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, Jen Prutzman, Jim & Elaine Laubach, Jimmy Tighe, Randy, Allan Kinsman, Bernie, Tom Kucewicz, Bill Hottenstein, Wally Richardson, Tom and Mary Ellen Pajor, Bill Chapple, Shawn, Bernice, David Jenkins, Sandy Richardson, Judy Loeffler, Jack, Kristen Stout, Mary H, Heather and Husband, Jane Ketchner, Ricky, Bonnie Brader, Kyle Gurzynski, Jean Parrs, Martha Kanjorski, Rev. Lynn Snyder family, Mae Rome.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY:

Maj. Shannon Dzurly 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.

Gregory Navestad, US Air Force, 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 Zbyszeski, 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

JANUARY ALTAR GUILD: Nan Boswell & Carter

LITURGIST: Weekend of January 17 – Emma and Sarah

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 17: Dave Kelly

ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of Marie B. & Wayne T. Troxell by Aimee & Jeff Schulze

Sun. Jan.17	Online Worship
Mon. Jan. 18	Bible Study on Zoom 1-3pm SPPRC meeting on Zoom 7pm
Tues. Jan. 19	Endowment Committee Meeting on Zoom 4pm Finance Meeting on Zoom 7pm
Wed. Jan. 20	Prayer Group on Zoom 9-10 am Worship Music Rehearsal 7:30pm
Fri. Jan 22	Community Care Cabinet, 10am

THINK OF THIS FRIEND (with cards and prayers)

Paul & Romaine Kunkle, 2292 W. Eighth St., Dallas, Pa. 18612

COMING UP JANUARY 23 THROUGH JANUARY 30

JANUARY ALTAR GUILD: Nan Boswell & Carter

LITURGIST: Weekend of January 24 – Carol Folk

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 24: Chris Ostrowski

ALTAR FLOWERS: In honor of Nick and Sandy Michalisin's Wedding Anniversary

Sun. Jan.24	Online Worship
Mon. Jan. 25	Bible Study on Zoom 1-3pm
Wed. Jan. 27	Prayer Group on Zoom 9-10 am Worship Music Rehearsal 7:30pm
Fri. Jan. 29	Community Care Cabinet, 10am

Faithfulness in Online Worship Attendance: 73

January 10: \$4,699

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.

CONDOLENCES: Rev. M. Lynn Snyder passed to eternal life January 4, 2021. Sympathy cards can be mailed in care of her daughter: [Marsley Holderman](#), 12 Cathy Jo Place, Accord, New York 12404