

**Shavertown**  
**United Methodist Church**  
3<sup>rd</sup> 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** *"Softly and Tenderly"* Arr. Bill Wolaver  
**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Centering Meditation:*

"I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short...  
the present form of this world is passing away."  
1 Corinthians 7:29a, 31b NRSV

**CALL TO WORSHIP** Bev, Liturgist

Christ is calling us to be true disciples.

**Let us follow Him faithfully.**

We understand that we will be led into fields of mission and service.

**Where He leads us, we will go.**

Let us listen for Christ's call.

**We are ready to serve the Lord.**

**OPENING PRAYER**

O God, you are our light and our salvation. Living in your presence, we have nothing to fear. Open our hearts to your word this day. As we hear the story of the call of the first disciples, make us ready to follow Jesus on whatever path he leads us. Cast aside our fears and doubts, and teach us to trust wholly in you. For we ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

**OPENING HYMN** *Jesus Calls Us* # 398

Jesus calls us o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild, restless sea;  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth,  
saying, "Christian, follow me!"

2. As of old the apostles heard it  
by the Galilean lake,

turned from home and toil and kindred,  
leaving all for Jesus' sake.

3. Jesus calls us from the worship  
of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us,  
saying, "Christian, love me more!"

4. In our joys and in our sorrows,  
days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love me more than these!"

5. Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,  
Savior, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thine obedience,  
serve and love thee best of all.

**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** *"As the Deer"* Martin Nystrom

*Emma and Rebecca*

**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**

**We thank you that our nets are full enough to share your bounty, O God. Accept the fruits of our labor as we give our offering in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Mark 1:14-20 NRSV

**THE MESSAGE**

“An Urgent Mission”

**HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

*Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*

Pastor Robin

# 344

Lord, You have come to the lakeshore  
Looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;  
You only asked me to follow humbly.

[Refrain] O Lord, with Your eyes You have searched me,  
And while smiling have spoken my name;  
Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;  
By Your side I will seek other seas.

You know so well my possessions;  
My boat carries no gold and no weapons;  
You will find there my nets and labor. [Refrain]

You need my hands, full of caring  
Through my labors to give others rest,  
And constant love that keeps on loving. [Refrain]

You, who have fished other oceans,  
Ever longed for by souls who are waiting,  
My loving friend, as thus You call me. [Refrain]

**BENEDICTION**

As the disciples walked with Christ so long ago, walk with Christ in your hearts and spirits.  
Feel the power of the Holy Spirit guiding your path. Know the love of God which is poured  
out for you and rejoice. Go in peace and may God's peace go with you. **Amen.**

**POSTLUDE**

*“You Are Mine”*

*David Haas*



## Jesus, Man of Mystery

**Fourth Weekend of January, 2021**

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**Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage**

## PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 24 THROUGH JANUARY 30

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 Zhysheski**, 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 24 – Bev Bunney

**TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 17:** Dave Kelly

**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
Tues. Jan. 26	Staff Meeting, 10am
Wed. Jan. 27	Prayer Group on Zoom 9-10 am Worship Music Rehearsal 7:30pm
Fri. Jan 29	Community Care Cabinet, 10am

### THINK OF THIS FRIEND (with cards and prayers)

James & Elaine Laubach 2292 W. Ridgway Dr., Apt. 312, Dallas, Pa. 18612

**COMING UP JANUARY 31 THROUGH FEBRUARY 6**

**FEBRUARY ALTAR GUILD:** Edie Graziano & Dianne Nice

**LITURGIST:** Weekend of January 31 – None needed

**TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 24:** Chris Ostrowski

**ALTAR FLOWERS:**

Sun. Jan. 31	Online Worship Fine Arts Meeting 10:30 am
Mon. Feb. 1	Bible Study on Zoom 1-3pm Church Council 7pm Praise Band rehearsal 7pm
Tues. Feb. 2	Men's Bible Study 6:30 on zoom
Wed. Feb. 3	Prayer Group on Zoom 9-10am Mission and Outreach Meeting 6:30pm Worship Music Rehearsal 7:30pm
Thurs. Feb. 4	Worship Team Meeting in Lounge 6:30pm
Fri. Feb. 5	Community Care Cabinet, 10am

**Faithfulness in Online Worship Attendance:**

**January 17: \$**

**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](mailto: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 will be meeting Thursdays at 6:30 pm beginning February 11 for 13 weeks.

**MENS'S BIBLE STUDY:** Men's bible study will be held Tuesdays at 6:30 pm on zoom. Anyone who wishes to join, please contact the church office at 570-675-3616

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY:** A six week Lenten bible study entitled "He Chose the Nails" by Max Lucado, will be held Thursdays at 7 pm starting February 18. Anyone interested, please contact Brenda Kopalek at [kadec23@hotmail.com](mailto:kadec23@hotmail.com)