

# Shavertown United Methodist Church

3<sup>rd</sup> Weekend after Pentecost

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

## PRELUDE

*“Be Thou My Vision”*

Traditional Irish Hymn

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Centering Meditation:*

“For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is  
Jesus Christ.”

1 Corinthians 3:11 NRSV

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Mary Ellen/Mardy, Liturgist

Come, Friends, it is time to worship!

**We are eager to gather again and listen to the good news of Jesus.**

May our hearts be filled to overflowing with God’s sustaining love.

## \*OPENING PRAYER

**Loving God, we gather on this bittersweet day to worship you as a church family. Even though members of our family are moving on to new places, we rest assured that you are going to take care of all of us. Help us to move forward as we build on the foundation which Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

## \*OPENING HYMN

*“What Gift Can We Bring”*

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What gift can we bring, what present, what token?

What words can convey it, the joy of this day?

When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,

what song can we offer in honor and praise?

Give thanks for the past, for those who had vision,  
who planted and watered so dreams could come true.

Give thanks for the now, for study, for worship,  
for mission that bids us turn prayer into deed.

Give thanks for tomorrow, full of surprises,  
for knowing whatever tomorrow may bring,

the Word is our promise always, forever;  
we rest in God's keeping and live in God's love.

This gift we now bring, this present, this token,  
these words can convey it, the joy of this day!  
When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,  
this song we now offer in honor and praise!

## 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 GIFT OF MUSIC

## 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

**God of Countless Blessings, we are humbled by your abiding presence and steadfast care for us. It seems insufficient to say, “Thank You”. Yet, O God, we offer up to you more than tokens of appreciation, we give you our hearts and our lives. Use all our gifts for your glory. In Jesus’ name. Amen.**

## A GIFT OF MUSIC

## THE WORD OF GOD

1 Corinthians 3:4-11 NRSV

## THE MESSAGE

“Fare Thee Well”

Pastor Robin

I thank you, members and friends of Shavertown United Methodist Church, for the love and support you have shown me while I have ministered among you. I am grateful for the ways

my leadership has been accepted. I ask forgiveness for the mistakes I have made. As I leave, I carry with me all that I have learned here.

**We receive your thankfulness, offer forgiveness, and accept that you now leave to minister elsewhere. We express our gratitude for your time among us. We ask your forgiveness for our mistakes. Your influence on our faith and faithfulness will not leave us with your departure.**

I accept your gratitude and forgiveness, and I forgive you, trusting that our time together and our parting are pleasing to God. I release you from turning to me and depending on me. I encourage your continuing ministry here and will pray for you and for your new pastor, Rev. Jon Buxton.

Let us pray...

**Eternal God, who steadfast love for us is from everlasting to everlasting, we give you thanks for cherished memories and commend one another into your care as we move in new directions. Keep us one in your love forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

*"Shalom to You"*

# 666

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.  
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.  
In all your living and through your loving,  
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

**\*BENEDICTION**

Until we meet again, do no harm, do good, and stay in love with God.  
**May the Good Lord bless us all as we serve Christ with faithfulness.**  
**Amen and Amen.**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*"Declaration"*

by Fenton Groden



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