

Shavertown United Methodist Church

November 20-21, 2021

Thanksgiving/Stewardship Sunday

World Hunger Sunday

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 Pall

Sunday: "A Joyful Ring"

By Barbara Kinyon
Good News Ringers

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MEDITATION

Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures
forever.

Psalm 106:1 NRSV

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Cathy (Sat)/ Ava (Sun)

Bring joyful noises and songs of praise.

Bring gratitude and gladness this day.

We come with words of rejoicing and songs of celebration.

We come to give thanks for the gifts of God. Psalm 100

*OPENING PRAYER

Cathy (Sat)/ Ava (Sun)

Bounteous God, we come into your presence with joyful hearts, as we reflect on the
abundance of your love and the sustaining power of your grace.

As we celebrate and rejoice, we remember the things we have learned
and gifts we have received from your hand.

Plant these lessons in our lives, that we may be a people of gratitude,
Abounding in love for a world hungry for compassion. Philippians 4

*OPENING HYMN

"We Gather Together" (Sat) #131

"What Gift We Bring" (Sun) #87
Vs. 1-3

GIFT OF MUSIC

"If I Were a Butterfly" The Cherubs

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.

GIFT OF MUSIC

"Let Every Thankful Heart"

By Patricia Mock
God's Handful

BLESSING OF SHOEBOXES & FOOD DONATIONS

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.*

GIFT OF MUSIC

"For These Blessings"

By Natalie Sleeth
Children of Light

CALL TO OFFERING

SONG OF PRAISE

"Give Thanks"

#2036

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Cathy (Sat)/Ava (Sun)

**Holy God, with gratitude and thanks, we offer you the first fruits of your harvest. We bow
humbly before you, remembering all that you have done for us, and acknowledging that
everything we have comes from you. With thanksgiving and praise, we offer these gifts to
sustain and bless the work of your church, and to care for the poor. Amen.**

GIFT OF MUSIC

"A Thanksgiving Tapestry"

Arr. John Purifoy
Chancel Choir

WORD OF GOD

2 Corinthians 8: 1-15

Cathy (Sat)/ Ava (Sun)

MESSAGE

"Generosity: A Natural Response"

Pastor Jon

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

“Now Thank We All Our God”

#10

***BENEDICTION**

Having received grace upon grace, and God’s constant love,
go forth with songs of praise.

**We will share signs and wonders, of gratitude and generosity,
that others will see Christ living through us.**

***POSTLUDE**

“We Have Gathered Together”

By Lani Smith

Organ Solo: Nancy Evans



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Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 20 THROUGH NOVEMBER 27

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, families dealing with Alzheimers

CONCERNS: Our homebound friends, Schickner Family, Marilyn Klick, Ashley, Duane Dicker, Michelle Jackubowski, Amanda, Zia, Family of David Daniels, D.J. Mikulka, Family of Carol Thomas, 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

Financial Goal: \$6,214 Weekly November 13/14:

Faithfulness in Person Worship Attendance: 163 On-Line Worship: 36

Think of this friend (with cards and prayers)

Phillip Brown, 156 E. Center St., Shavertown, Pa. 18708

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are so glad to worship with you today!

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

NOVEMBER ALTAR GUILD: Cathy Nicks & Susan Ruese

LITURGIST: Weekend of Nov 20/21: Cathy Nicks (Saturday) Ava (Sunday)

USHERS: TBD (Saturday) Lori Schuler (Sunday)

GREETER: Edie Graziano (Saturday) TBD (Sunday)

ACOLYTE: Kaitlyn

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 21: Tom Ketchner

ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of Carole Chapple by Kenneth Chapple

- Sun. Nov. 21 Worship 9:30am - World Hunger Sunday
Sunday School 10:30 – 11:30am
Hanging of the Greens 11:30am
God's Handful 11:30am – 12:30pm
Youth Group 4-6pm
- Mon. Nov.22 Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm
PEO Meeting 7pm Lounge
Connected in Christ 7pm in H.S. Sunday School Room
- Tues. Nov. 23 Coffee & Conversation 10am Lounge
Choir Practice: COL 4:30pm, Chimes 5pm, Good News Ringers 6pm
Finance Meeting 6:30 on Zoom
Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
Worship Team 7:30pm
- Wed. Nov. 24 Prayer 9am on Zoom
AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall
- Thurs. Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Day – Office Closed
- Fri. Nov. 26 Office Closed
- Sat. Nov. 27 Worship 5:30pm

COMING UP NOVEMBER 27 THROUGH DECEMBER 4

DECEMBER ALTAR GUILD: Sandy Michalisin & Sue Holdredge

LITURGIST: Weekend of Nov 27/28: Ellie Hottenstein (Saturday) Michelle Jackubowski (Sunday)

USHERS: Donna & Sarah Church (Saturday) Harold Stout (Sunday)

GREETER: Donna & Sarah Church (Saturday) TBD (Sunday)

ACOLYTE: Landon

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 28: Dave Kelly

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Sun. Nov. 28	Worship 9:30am with Communion Sunday School 10:30 – 11:30am Fine Arts Meeting 10:30am God's Handful 11:30am – 12:30pm
Mon. Nov.29	Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm Poinsettia Orders Due
Tues. Nov. 30	Coffee & Conversation 10am Lounge Choir Practice: COL 4:30pm, Chimes 5pm, Good News Ringers 6pm Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
Wed. Dec. 1	Prayer 9am on Zoom Women's Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm
Thurs. Dec. 2	Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB'S Coffee House Cherub Choir Rehearsal 5pm Grief Share 6:30pm Lounge Connected in Christ 7pm H.S. Sunday School Room
Fri. Dec. 3	Community Care Cabinet 10am Live Nativity 6-8pm Luzerne County Fair Grounds
Sat. Dec. 4	Musical Practice 10am Worship 5:30pm Live Nativity 6-8pm Luzerne County Fair Grounds

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

ANGEL TREE: Monetary donations or a \$25 gift card to Walmart are greatly appreciated to help children in need. Donations due to the church by November 21.

WORLD HUNGER SUNDAY: Jesus encouraged us to feed the hungry. Please see the insert in today's bulletin and consider giving to help our local community, our nation and around the world!

HANGING OF THE GREENS: The Hanging of the Greens will be November 21 at 11:30am. Children will have an opportunity to make Christmas ornaments in the social hall while the adults help decorate. Please come and join us in decorating the church.

POINSETTIAS: Our poinsettia sale will be happening once again this year to beautify our sanctuary for Christmas worship. Please look for an envelope and order form in the narthex. All orders will be due into the office by Monday, November 29.

MEN'S ECUMENICAL GROUP: All are invited to participate in the Men's Ecumenical Meeting every Thursday, 8am, at KB'S Coffee House in Shavertown. There will be a speaker at each meeting. Come and enjoy fellowship and good food!

WORD OF THANKS: The Sunday school classes would like to send a thank you to all who donated to the shoe box project for Operation Christmas Child, food for the Back Mountain Food Pantry and the mitten tree for local school children. Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

OTHER MISSIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES

CRAFT FAIR: First Presbyterian Church of Wilkes-Barre will be holding a Christmas Craft Fair Dec.4 from 10am to 3pm. This will help get you in the spirit and get some shopping done too!

NATIVITY DISPLAY: 500 Nativity sets from a private collection will be on display at Forty-Fort Presbyterian Church Dec. 4 & 11 from 4-8pm and De. 5 & 12 from noon-4pm. Admission is free; however, any good will offering will benefit the Salvation Army Kirby Family House.