

Shavertown United Methodist Church

November 6-7, 2021

24th Sunday after Pentecost

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 Sunday: "I Sing a Song of the Saints of God" By Lani Smith
Organ: Nancy Evans

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MEDITATION

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. "He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

Revelation 21: 3-4 NIV

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Mary Ellen (Sat)/ Nick (Sun)

O God the king of saints, we praise and magnify your holy name for all your servants who have finished their course in your faith;

For the holy patriarchs and matriarchs, prophets, apostles and martyrs, and for all your righteous servants;

And we beseech you that, encouraged by their example, strengthened by their fellowship and aided by their prayers, we may attain everlasting life;

Through your Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.

(Adapted from the *Scottish Prayer Book, 1929*)

***OPENING HYMN** "Rejoice in God's Saints" #708
Vs. 1, 2 & 4

***OPENING PRAYER** Mary Ellen (Sat)/ Nick (Sun)

God of ages past and days yet to come, we come into your presence with joy and thanksgiving. For those who have gone before us, we gratefully remember their wisdom. For those who will follow after us, we fervently pray for their growth in faith. For those of us here and now, we offer you our lives, that we may be followers, true disciples, and blessed children of your love. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

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.*

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 "For All the Saints" By Ralph Vaugh Williams
Chancel Choir with Organ

WORD OF GOD Mark 12: 38-44 Mary Ellen (Sat)/ Nick (Sun)
Rev 22: 1-5

***HYMN** "Shall We Gather at the River" #723
Vs. 1-2

MESSAGE "Learning from Examples" Pastor Jon

REMEMBERING AND HONORING OUR LOVED ONES

Beverly Condo	Jean Parrs
David Daniels	John Puterbaugh
Fred Degillio	Norman Jean Schmelzle
Lorraine Gutierrez	Theodore "Ted" Schmelzle
Mabel Jenkins	Mary Ellen Shaffer
Benjamin Jones III	Richard Shannon
Kenneth Kirk	Margaret Snyder
Dale Major	Robert D. Snyder
Tiffany Owens	Mildred Wheeler
Thomas Pajor	Marvin Yeust

Other Loved Ones

UNISON PRAYER

Eternal God, you gather all your people as one in the body of Christ, our Lord. Unite us with all people of every time and place who have lived by your Word and died in your love. Reassure us when we grieve that our loved ones are not lost to you. Prepare us for the day when we, too, join the grand celebration of life everlasting. In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

#95

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Mary Ellen (Sat)/ Nick (Sun)

Blessed are these gifts when they bring hope to the poor, food to the hungry, and comfort to the sorrowful. May these gifts be blessed, O God, as they become blessings to a world in need. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(See Insert)

*HYMN OF GOING FORTH

"Hymn of Promise"
Vs 1 & 3

#707

*BENEDICTION

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen us to bear all things, believe all things, hope all things, endure all things, with faith, with hope and above all, with love.
Amen.

(1 Corinthians 13:7,13)

*POSTLUDE

"The Heart of Worship"

By Matt Redman
Piano: Nancy

All Saints Day



GRACIOUS GOD, OPEN MY EARS TO HEAR THE MESSAGE YOU HAVE PREACHED IN THE LIVES OF THOSE UPON WHOSE SHOULDERS I AM STANDING TODAY. BY THE POWER OF YOUR HOLY SPIRIT MAY WHAT WAS ALIVE IN THEM BE ALIVE IN ME. IN THE NAME OF THE ONE WHO DEFEATED DEATH AND OPENED THE WAY TO ETERNAL LIFE, JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.
AMEN.

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PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 31 THROUGH NOVEMBER 6

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

JOYS: D.J. Mikulka much improved and positive outlook, Jean Linker home and recovering,

CONCERNS: Our homebound friends, Steve, Family of David Daniels, John Nicks, Family of Dick Williams, Aiden Shultz, Joann, Joe H., Amanda, Michael, Levi, 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

Think of this friend (with cards and prayers)

Betty Ashbridge, 324 Cassell Ct., Village of Brandywine, Wilmington, De. 19803

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 Roese

LITURGIST: Weekend of Nov 6/7: Mary Ellen Pajor (Saturday) Nick Michalisin (Sunday)

USHERS: Donna & Sarah Church (Saturday) Wendy Shaffer & Ava (Sunday)

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

ACOLYTE: Makayla

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7: Joe Gutierrez

ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of Stephen F. Killian & Clifford K. Parker, Sr. by the Family

- Sun. Nov. 7 Worship 9:30am – All Saints Sunday
Sunday School 10:30 – 11:30am
God's Handful 11:30am – 12:30pm
Confirmation Meeting 4-6pm Social Hall
- Mon. Nov.8 Women's Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge
Praise Band Concert 7pm
- Tues. Nov.9 Coffee & Conversation 10am Lounge
Staff Meeting 11am Lounge
Choir Practice: COL 4:30pm, Chimes 5pm, Good News Ringers 6pm
Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
Trustees Meeting 7pm
- Wed. Nov. 10 Prayer Group 9-10am on Zoom
AA meeting 7pm Social Hall
Chancel Choir practice 7:30pm
- Thurs. Nov. 11 Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB's Coffee House
Cherub Choir Rehearsal 5pm
Grief Share Meeting 6:30pm Lounge
- Fri. Nov. 12 Community Care Cabinet 10am
- Sat. Nov. 13 Practice for Children's Musical 10am Choir Room
Drive-Thru Meal Give-Away – Noon
Worship 5:30pm

COMING UP NOVEMBER 13 THROUGH NOVEMBER 20

NOVEMBER ALTAR GUILD: Cathy Nicks & Susan Roese

LITURGIST: Weekend of Nov 13/14: Ellie Hottenstein (Saturday) Ava (Sunday)

USHERS: TBD (Saturday) Danny & Alice Peters (Sunday)

GREETER: Edie Graziano (Saturday) Danny & Alice Peters (Sunday)

ACOLYTE: Anna

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 14: Fred Wesley

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Sun. Nov. 14 Veteran's Worship Service 9:30am
Sunday School 10:30 – 11:30am
God's Handful 11:30am – 12:30pm
Education Committee Meeting 11:30 am

Mon. Nov.15 Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm

Tues. Nov. 16 Coffee & Conversation 10am Lounge
Choir Practice: COL 4:30pm, Chimes 5pm, Good News Ringers 6pm
Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
Connected in Christ 7pm in H.S. Sunday School Room
Finance Meeting 7pm

Wed. Nov. 17 Prayer Group 9-10am on Zoom
Women's Bible Study 1-3 pm Lounge
SPPRC Meeting 6:30 pm
AA meeting 7pm Social Hall
Chancel Choir practice 7:30pm

Thurs. Nov. 18 Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB'S Coffee House
Cherub Choir Rehearsal 5pm
Grief Share Meeting 6:30pm Lounge
Church Conference 6:30 pm

Fri. Nov. 19 Community Care Cabinet 10am

Sat. Nov. 20 Practice for Children's Musical 10am Social Hall
Worship 5:30pm

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – The Sunday school classes will be putting together shoebox gifts for children around the world next Sunday. We are asking the congregation to donate towards the shipping costs. Donations can be placed in the shoebox in the Narthex. Thank you!

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

MITTEN TREE – The Youth Group are doing a Mission Project during the month of November, they are collecting mittens and hats for children in Luzerne County. Donations can be placed on the Mitten Tree in the Narthex November 1 -21.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE CHALLENGE – Our Sunday School classes are having a Thanksgiving Food Drive during the month of November. Their goal is to collect 200 non-perishable food items from Nov. 1-21 for the Back Mountain Food Pantry. Donations can be placed under the Mitten Tree in the Narthex. Feel free to help the kids reach their goal by donating needed food items!

UPCOMING: Christmas will be here before we know it! The Hanging of the Greens will be November 21 at 11:30am. 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 November 29.

LIVE NATIVITY: Volunteers needed for December 3 and 4 from 6:00-8:00pm. Please fill out the green form located in the Narthex.

BLOOD DRIVE UPDATE: We collected 28 units of blood at our October 8 blood drive which will help save the lives of 84 people. What a blessing!

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. All are welcome to come and enjoy fellowship and good food!

Financial Goal: \$6,214 Weekly October: \$17,231
Faithfulness in Person Worship Attendance:140 On-Line Worship: 36