

## PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 15 THROUGH JANUARY 22

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](mailto:shavertownumc@susumc.org)

**OUR PRAYER LIST:** The United Methodist Church, victims of the recent tornado, 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:** Danielle in rehab and expected to go home.

**CONCERNS:** Our homebound friends, Rome Family, Family of Thomas Honeywell, Family of Carol Jones, John Roushey, Frey Family, Margie Kishbaugh, Dwight Cummings, Rich Colarusso, The Bunney Family, Jim Durkin, Picchi Family, Marilyn, 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

**2<sup>nd</sup> 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

**2<sup>nd</sup> LT Gregory Navestad**, Hill AFB, UT

**Travis Butler**, US Navy Reserves

**Lt. Mary Ketchner**, Silverdale, WA

**1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Allen Carson**, 109<sup>th</sup> US Army Reserves, Phila.

**Rick Hodle III**, US Army

**CPL Michael Biesecker**, US Marine Corps Reserves

**Financial Goal: \$6,214 Weekly January 8/9: \$4,090**

**Faithfulness in Person Worship Attendance: 92 On-line Worship 35**

**Think of this friend** (with cards and prayers)

Margaret Gorman, 112 Pollock Dr., Pittston, Pa. 18640

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are so glad to worship with you today!

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

**JANUARY ALTAR GUILD:** Cathy Nicks & Phyllis Bullock

**LITURGIST:** Bev Atherholt (Sat.) Margie Esopi (Sun.)

**USHERS/GREETERS:** Alison Lanza (Sat.) Harold Stout, Edie Graziano (Sun.)

**TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 17:** TBD

**ACOLYTE:** Madison

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

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| Sun. Jan 16    | Worship 9:30am<br>Sunday School 10:30am<br>God's Handful 11:30am   |
| Mon. Jan. 17   | Women's Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge   |
| Tues. Jan. 18  | Coffee & Conversation 10am<br>Children of Light 4:30pm<br>Chapel Chimes 5pm<br>Good News Ringers 6pm<br>Girl Scouts 6:30pm Social Hall<br>Finance Meeting 7pm<br>Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom |
| Wed. Jan. 19   | Prayer 9am on Zoom<br>SPPRC Meeting 6:30pm<br>AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall<br>Chancel Choir 7:30pm   |
| Thurs. Jan. 20 | Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB'S Coffee House<br>Cherubs 5pm<br>Connected in Christ 7pm Sunday School H.S. Room   |
| Fri. Jan. 21   | Community Care Cabinet 10am  |
| Sat. Jan. 22   | Worship 5:30pm   |

**COMING UP JANUARY 22 THROUGH JANUARY 29**

**JANUARY ALTAR GUILD:** Cathy Nicks & Phyllis Bullock

**LITURGIST:** Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat.) Cindy Biesecker (Sun.)

**USHERS/GREETERS:** Sarah & Donna Church (Sat.) TBD (Sun.)

**TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 24:** TBD

**ACOLYTE:** Jack

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** In Honor of Nick & Sandy Michalisin's Anniversary

Sun. Jan 23      Worship 9:30am  
Sunday School 10:30am  
God's Handful 11:30am  
Confirmation 4-6pm Social Hall

Mon. Jan. 24      Women's Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge

Tues. Jan. 25      Coffee & Conversation 10am  
Children of Light 4:30pm  
Chapel Chimes 5pm  
Good News Ringers 6pm  
Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom  
Worship Meeting 7:30pm Lounge

Wed. Jan. 26      Prayer 9am on Zoom  
AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall  
Chancel Choir 7:30pm

Thurs. Jan. 27      Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB'S Coffee House  
Cherubs 5pm  
Connected in Christ 7pm Sunday School H.S. Room

Fri. Jan. 28      Community Care Cabinet 10am  
Youth Group Rock & Bowl @ Back Mtn Bowl 8pm

Sat. Jan. 29      Meal Give-Away Noon  
Worship 5:30pm

**MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC**

**BOOK SIGNING:** Rev. Leonard Buxton, father of our pastor, will be signing copies of his two volume memoir following worship Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup> in the narthex. Learn about the Buxton family and the inside story of parsonage life.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES** – Please check out the bulletin board in the Narthex for the bible studies being done in the New Year. There are many new exciting topics being discussed, we hope you can join us!

**CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTOS** – We will be taking individual and family photos on January 22 and 23 before and after worship for the church directory. This will be the last opportunity to get your photo done before the directory goes to print.

**USHERS/GREETERS** – We are in need of ushers/greeters for Sundays. Please sign up in the Narthex if you are interested in helping with this important ministry.

**YOUTH GROUP BOWLING** – Youth in grades 6 -12 interested in Rock N' Bowl at the Back Mountain Bowling Alley on Friday, January 28 at 8:00pm should sign up in the Narthex. We will also be having a youth group meeting on Sunday, January 30 4-6pm in the Social Hall.

**FLOWER CHART:** The 2022 flower chart is located in the Narthex for those who wish to purchase altar flowers. Many spots are available so please write your request on the chart or call the office.

**CHURCH BOOKKEEPER POSITION NEEDED:** Are you looking to use your financial talents to help SUMC keep our financial books in order? This position requires approximately 5-8 hours weekly. For more information or to send in a resume, please call the church office at 570-675-3616 or email Ron Rogers at [rogers13@frontiernet.net](mailto:rogers13@frontiernet.net).

**VISITING OUR CHURCH FOR THE FIRST TIME**

Welcome! We are so happy you are joining us for worship today. Please fill out a connection card found in the pew and put it in the collection plate. We invite you to visit our welcome table in the Narthex for a gift and information on the many ministries our church has to offer. We hope you will join us again soon!

**NURSERY AVAILABLE EVERY SUNDAY AT 9:30am WORSHIP**

# Shavertown United Methodist Church

January 15-16, 2022

2nd Sunday After Epiphany

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: "Praeludium"

By Adolph Hesse

Organ: Nancy

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CENTERING MEDITATION

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that.

Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that "

Rev Martin Luther King, Jr.

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Bev (Sat)/Margie (Sun)

How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people  
take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

**They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give  
them drink from the river of your delights.**

For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

**O continue your steadfast love to those who know you,  
and your salvation to the upright of heart!**

**May we lift our voices in worship and celebrate your transforming love.**

Psalms 36: 7-10

## \*OPENING HYMN

"We, Thy People, Praise Thee"

#67

## \*OPENING PRAYER

Bev (Sat)/Margie (Sun)

**We praise you with joy, loving God, for your grace is better than life itself.**

**You have sustained us through the darkness,**

**and you bless us with life in this new day.**

**In the shadow of your wings, we sing for joy and bless your holy name. Amen**

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

### CALL TO PRAYER

"Cares, Chorus"

#2215

*I cast all my cares upon you, I lay all of my burdens down at your feet, and anytime  
that I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon you.*

### 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.**

### 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.*

### 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

Bev (Sat)/Margie (Sun)

**Steadfast God, we delight in the river of your love and in the fountain of your grace.**

**May your word of life speak to our hearts, that your message of love  
may abide in us as your Spirit abides in your house.**

**Strengthen us with your generous gifts and shine through our lives,  
that we may glorify you each and every day.**

### GIFT OF MUSIC

"Where There Is Love"

By Karen Crane  
Chancel Choir

