

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 9 THROUGH JANUARY 15

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, 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:

CONCERNS: Our homebound friends, John Roushey, Frey Family, Margie Kishbaugh, Dwight Cummings, Rich Colarusso, Jane Kishbaugh. The Bunney Family, Jim Durkin, Picchi Family, Marilyn, Danielle, 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 December 24/26: \$7,305

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

Think of this friend (with cards and prayers)

Vesta Fountain, 19 Idlewood Dr., Dallas, Pa. 18612

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: Sarah Church (Sat.) Margie Esopi (Sun.)

USHERS: Becky Gilbert (Sat.) Frank & Marsha Paczewski (Sun.)

GREETER: Becky Gilbert (Sat.) Charlie Kishbaugh & Barbara Brandt (Sun.)

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 9: Dave Kelly

ACOLYTE: Anna

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| Sun. Jan 9 | Worship 9:30am
Sunday School 10:30am
God's Handful 11:30am
Confirmation 4-6pm Social Hall |
| Mon. Jan. 10 | Women's Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge |
| Tues. Jan. 11 | Coffee & Conversation 10am
Staff Meeting 11am Lounge
Children of Light 4:30pm
Chapel Chimes 5pm
Good News Ringers 6pm
Trustee Meeting 7pm
Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom |
| Wed. Jan. 12 | Prayer 9am on Zoom
AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall
Chancel Choir 7:30pm |
| Thurs. Jan. 13 | Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB'S Coffee House
Cherubs 5pm
Connected in Christ 7pm Sunday School H.S. Room |
| Fri. Jan. 14 | Community Care Cabinet 10am |
| Sat. Jan. 15 | Worship 5:30pm |

COMING UP JANUARY 15 THROUGH JANUARY 22

JANUARY ALTAR GUILD: Cathy Nicks & Phyllis Bullock

LITURGIST: Bev Atherholt (Sat.) (Sun.)

USHERS: Alison Lanza (Sat.) Harold Stout (Sun.)

GREETER: Alison Lanza (Sat.) Edie Graziano (Sun.)

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY: TBD

ACOLYTE: Madison

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

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

CONFIRMATION CLASS - We will be meeting on January 9 in the Social Hall, 4 – 6pm.

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.

TORNADO DISASTER RESPONSE: We pray for all those who have been affected by the recent tornado that devastated 200 miles of parts of our country. Many are struggling with loss of life, loss of homes, and loss of community. UMCOR Disaster Relief is accepting donations to assist in the laborious recovery. You can donate to SUMC referring to Advance #901670 and the funds will be forwarded to UMCOR. Thank you!!!

FLOWER CHART: The 2022 flower chart is located in the Narthex for those who wish to purchase altar flowers. Please write your request on the chart or call the office.

OTHER MISSIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES

MUSICAL EVENTS: St. Stephens Episcopal Church, Wilkes-Barre, will be hosting a series of musical events throughout December thru July 2022. Please check the bulletin board for dates and times and any further information. Join them for an evening of music and song.

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!

Shavertown United Methodist Church

January 8-9, 2022

Baptism of the Lord

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 "A Time for New Beginnings" By Lani Smith
Organ: Nancy

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MEDITATION

"But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine."

Isaiah 43:1

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Sarah (Sat)/Margie (Sun)

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings

Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory of God's name,

Worship the Lord in holy array.

The voice of the Lord is upon the water.

The God of glory thunders, the Lord upon many waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful.

The voice of God is full of majesty. Let us praise the name of the Lord!

***OPENING PRAYER** Sarah (Sat)/Margie (Sun)

Living God, when the Spirit descended on Jesus at his baptism in Jordan's water you revealed him as your own beloved Son. You anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Grant that all who are baptized into his name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior now and forever. Amen.

(The Book of Common Prayer, USA 20th Cent. Alt.)

***OPENING HYMN** "When Jesus Came to Jordan" #252

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

CALL TO PRAYER "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" #2193

*Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.*

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 "Celtic Farewell" By Linda Lamb

Handbell Solo: Caitlyn

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** Sarah (Sat)/Margie (Sun)

Gracious God, for the joy of our baptism, we thank you; for new life in your Spirit, we praise you; for the opportunity to become Christ's disciples, we offer you our heartfelt gratitude.

Receive these gifts, that they may be symbols of our commitment to honor our baptism in all that we do and in all that we say. Amen.

GIFT OF MUSIC	“We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus”	By J. Ylvisaker Chancel Choir
WORD OF GOD	Luke 3:15-17, 21-22	Sarah (Sat)/Margie (Sun)
MESSAGE	“Claimed in Baptism”	Pastor Jon
HYMN OF PREPARATION	“This Is the Spirit’s Entry Now”	#608
REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM	Baptismal Covenant IV	p. 50
*HYMN OF GOING FORTH	“Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine”	#606
*BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE	“Shine, Jesus, Shine”	By Graham Kendrick Piano: Nancy

Immediately following worship, all Sunday school students should report directly to the Social Hall. Thank you!



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Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage