

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF APRIL 16 THROUGH APRIL 23

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 email prayer chain by contacting the church office at shavertownumc@susumc.org.

OUR PRAYER LIST: The United Methodist Church, 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 Alzheimer’s

JOYS: Generosity for the Community Care Cabinet, Success of the Easter Eggstravaganza

CONCERNS: Our homebound friends, People of Ukraine, Jimmy Tighe, Margie Kishbaugh, Sandy Cooper, Paula Ferrara, Fred Wesley, Michelle Butts, John Gorman, Alycia, Danielle, Joan Roskos,

Names remain 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	Sgt. Amy Polachek, US Marines, Quantico, VA
LCDR John W. Gilligan, US Navy	Rick Hodle, Jr., US Navy
Sgt. Scott Kocher	Sgt. Josh McCue, US Air Force
Lt. Col. Stephen C. Phillips	Specialist Charles Yavorski, FT. Bragg, NC
Todd Mark, US Army, South Korea	2 nd LT Gregory Navestad, Hill AFB, UT
Col. P.J. Perrone Jr., Fort Belvoir, VA	Travis Butler, US Navy Reserves
Major Erika Reese, US Army, Ft. Benning, GA	Specialist Alex Barilla, US Army, KS
1 st Lt. Allen Carson, 109 th US Army Reserves, Phila.	Spc. Brandon Pall, Fort Hood, TX
Rick Hodle III, US Army	Jon Laity, US Navy, Japan
CPL Michael Biesecker, US Marine Corps Reserves	2 nd Lt. Michael T. Shutlock, US Air Force

Think of this Friend (with cards and prayers)

Carolyn Purvin, 68 W. Mount Airy Rd., Shavertown, Pa. 18708

Weekly Financial Goal: \$6,450 Week of April 9/10: \$6,153
Faithfulness in Attendance April 9/10: In Person Worship 205, Online Worship 35

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are so glad to worship with you today!

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

APRIL ALTAR GUILD: Sandy Michalisin & Sue Holdredge
LITURGIST: Cathy & Bob Berkey (Sat) Ginger McCabe (Sun)
USHERS/GREETERS: Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat) God’s Handful (Sun)
TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 17: Dave Kelly
ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER: Jack & Maggie/Landon

Sun. Apr. 17 Easter Worship –Sunrise 6:15am & 9:30am
No Sunday School
No God’s Handful Rehearsal

Mon. Apr.18 Office Closed

Tues. Apr. 19 Coffee & Conversation McDonald’s 10am
Priscilla Circle noon
Children of Light 4:30pm
Chapel Chimes 5pm
Good News Ringers 6pm
Men’s Bible Study 7pm on Zoom

Wed. Apr. 20 Prayer 9am on Zoom
AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall
Chancel Choir 7:30pm

Thu. Apr. 21 Men’s Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB’S Coffee House
Cherubs 5pm
Grief Share 6:30pm

Fri. Apr. 22

Sat. Apr. 23 Fellowship Meal Give Away noon
Worship 5:30pm

NURSERY AVAILABLE EVERY SUNDAY AT 9:30AM WORSHIP

COMING UP APRIL 23 THROUGH APRIL 30

APRIL ALTAR GUILD: Sandy Michalisin & Sue Holdredge

LITURGIST: (Sat) Ginger McCabe (Sun)

USHERS/GREETERS: Carol Folk(Sat) Edie Graziano & Harold Stout (Sun)

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 24: Bob Bullock

ACOLYTE: Landon

ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of Vivian Newcomb's Birthday

Sun. Apr. 24 Worship – 9:30am
 Sunday School – 10:30am
 Fine Arts 10:30am
 Human Sexuality and the UMC – Lunch - Noon, Class 1:00pm

Mon. Apr.25 Women's Bible Study 1-3pm
 Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm

Tues. Apr. 26 Coffee & Conversation McDonald's 10am
 Children of Light 4:30pm
 Chapel Chimes 5pm
 Good News Ringers 6pm
 Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
 Worship Meeting 7:30pm

Wed. Apr. 27 Prayer 9am on Zoom
 AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall
 Chancel Choir 7:30pm

Thu. Apr. 28 Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB'S Coffee House
 Cherubs 5pm
 Grief Share 7:30pm

Fri. Apr. 29 Community Care Cabinet 10am

Sat. Apr. 30 Worship 5:30pm

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

PRISCILLA CIRCLE: Join us on Tuesday, April 19 at noon in the social hall for fellowship and a program presented by our Pastor Jon Buxton. Please bring a lunch. Nancy Burkel will be the hostess and offer devotions. For more information, contact Cathy Berkey at 570-709-2338.

FELLOWSHIP MEAL: Once again, we will be offering our drive-thru meal to the community on April 23. The meal will be chicken, biscuits, rice, vegetable & a cookie. Donations of shredded chicken, cans of chicken gravy and mixed vegetables are appreciated. What a wonderful mission that we are able to offer to the community.

HUMAN SEXUALITY AND THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH: A series of discussions will be held regarding the issue of how we are to be in ministry for and with LGBTQ persons. We wish to be faithful to the scripture while at the same time seeking to be welcoming to all. On Sunday, April 24, at noon, there will be a luncheon (suggested donation \$5) followed by a 1pm presentation and discussion by Pastor Jon Buxton. A registration form will be located in the Narthex. On Sunday, May 1, there will be a presentation at 1pm by Rev. Dr. Tom Salsgiver, assistant to the bishops. No registration is required for this event.

SPRING MUSIC CONCERT: The Fine Arts Concert Series will present our spring concert, "God: Our Hope for Tomorrow" on Sunday, May 1, 2022, @ 7:00 PM. Featured will be the vocal and bell choirs along with congregational singing of favorite hymns with organ and choirs. A free will offering will be taken and an Ice Cream Social will follow the concert.

UPCOMING EVENTS: We will host a blood drive May 4 in honor of Sandy Richardson. Children's Day and The Birthday Tea will be May 15. More information will be coming about these exciting events.

GRADUATES: Please let the office know of any High School or College Graduates.

OPPORTUNITIES TO RESPOND TO THE INVASION OF UKRAINE: Monetary donations can be made to International Disaster Response and Recovery through Advance #982450. Please make checks out to Shavertown UMC and note the advance number in the memo or Ukraine.

HEARTFUL THANKS: 247 toilet paper rolls, 120 paper towels, 96 tissue boxes, 82 bottles of dish soap & 76 cleaning wipes were collected for the Community Care Cabinet. God Bless!

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

April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday, 9:30am

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)

Welcome!

We pray that the Spirit of the Risen Christ will touch your heart with joy today! If this is your first time here, please fill out a "Connection Card" found in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate this morning.

PRELUDE "Exultation" By Bill Ingram
Good News Ringers

INTROIT "Christ is Alive!" Arranged by Joseph Martin
Chancel Choir

***WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP** Ginger McCabe

Look, the stone is rolled away!

HE IS RISEN!

Look, the blood-stained cloth is set aside!

HE IS RISEN!

Look, the tomb is filled with light!

HE IS RISEN!

He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" #302
Vs 1-4

GIFT OF MUSIC "Christ Is Risen (to Ode to Joy)" By Anna L. Page
Cherubs

***OPENING PRAYER** Ginger McCabe

Mighty God, by your power you raised your son, our Lord Jesus, from death. By his glorious resurrection, you proved him victor over death; as you assured all of us, who acknowledge him as Savior and Lord, that we do not need to fear death, either. With grateful hearts we welcome another Easter greeting: "Christ is Risen!" "He is risen indeed!" Accept now our thanks and praise for forgiveness and promise of newness, in this life and beyond, which in your amazing grace, you extend to us. Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHAT "Where Children Belong" #2233

*This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.
Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.*

GIFT OF MUSIC "Risen Today!" By Cindy Berry
Children of Light

AN EASTER PRAYER AND THE 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.**

WE CELEBRATE THE RISEN LORD WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" Arr. Cynthia Dobrinski
Praise Ringers

***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** Ginger McCabe

**We lift our gifts to you, O God, that you may use them to
bring new life to a world trapped in death and despair.
May these gifts become signs of the resurrection in a world hungry for your touch.
In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. Amen**

GIFT OF MUSIC "Hallelujah for the Cross" By Ross King & Todd Wright
God's Handful

WORD OF GOD John 20:1-18 Ginger McCabe

MESSAGE "Called by Name" Pastor Jon

UNISON AFFIRMATION

We believe in an Easter God, who transforms darkness into light, hatred into tolerance, despair into hope. We believe God is always working for good, changing every Good Friday nightmare into an Easter dream of new possibility. We believe in the risen Christ, who befriends us on our roads of searching and worry; who touches us through song and silence, word, and gesture; who calls us by name to enter the dance of life. We believe in the Spirit, the hidden presence behind every resurrection, who beckons us to leave tomblake safety and trust the gracious invitation to live joyfully. We believe the Spirit is always renewing the church and making us a people who practice kindness, encourage beauty and work for justice and freedom. We believe we are an Easter people, a sign that with God all things are possible. Amen.

*HYMN OF GOING FORTH “He Lives” #310

*BENEDICTION

From darkness and despair, we find hope and joy.
Christ is risen! We go forth in joy!
From doubt and betrayal, we find trust and faith.
Christ is risen! We go forth in faith!
From suffering and death, we find healing and life.
Christ is risen! We go forth to live!
Christ is risen. Christ has risen indeed!
Hallelujah!

*RESPONSE Hallelujah Chorus George F. Handel
From “*The Messiah*” Featuring Chancel Choir,
God’s Handful & Congregation

*POSTLUDE “Up from the Grace He Arose” By Robert Lowry
Piano Solo: Nancy Evans

Happy Easter!



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Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage