#### PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF JULY 2 THROUGH JULY 9

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: God Bless America!

<u>CONCERNS:</u> Our homebound friends, People of Ukraine, Our Country, Todd Dyer, Valerie Landers, Stephanie, Randy, The Kishbaugh Family, Family of Justin Moss, Cindy Biesecker, Karen, Wanda Altemose, Cathy Jackubowski, Jane Tolomello, Jimmy Tighe

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 Navv Sat. Scott Kocher Sat. Josh McCue. US Air Force Lt. Col. Stephen C. Phillips Specialist Charles Yavorski, FT. Bragg, NC Todd Mark, US Army, South Korea 2<sup>nd</sup> LT Gregory Navestad, Hill AFB, UT Col. P.J. Perrone Jr., Fort Belvoir, VA Travis Butler, US Navy Reserves Specialist Alex Barilla, US Army, KS Major Erika Reese, US Army, Ft. Benning, GA 1st Lt. Allen Carson, 109th 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<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Michael T. Shutlock, US Air Force

Think of this Friend (with cards and prayers)

Elizabeth DeWitt, 155 Matson St.,1st FL, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. 18705

Weekly Financial Goal: \$6,450 Week of June 25/26: \$?
Faithfulness in Attendance June 25/26: In Person Worship 92, Online Worship 35

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We are so glad to worship with you today!

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

JULY ALTAR GUILD: Bev Bunney & Bonnie Ziegler

**LITURGIST:** Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat) Ginger McCabe (Sun)

**USHERS/GREETERS:** Edie Graziano (Sat) Daniel West & Family **TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 3:** Kim Donlin

**ACOLYTE:** Makayla

Sun. July 3 Worship 9:30am

Mon. July 4 Office Closed – Independence Day

Tues. July 5 Coffee & Conversation McDonald's 10am

Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom

Wed. July 6 Prayer 9am on Zoom

Mission & Outreach Meeting 6:30pm

AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall VBS Practice 6:30 – 7:30pm

Thu. July 7 Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB'S Coffee House

Fri. July 8 Community Care Cabinet 10am

Sat. July 9 Worship 5:30pm

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

#### **COMING UP JULY 9 THROUGH JULY 16**

JULY ALTAR GUILD: Bev Bunney & Bonnie Ziegler

**LITURGIST:** Cathy Nicks (Sat) TBD (Sun)

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

Barbara Brandt & Mike & Michelle Jackubowski (Sun)

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 10: Tom Ketchner

**ACOLYTE:** Anna

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** In Celebration of Bob & Cathy's 45<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

Sun. July 10 Worship 9:30am

Mon. July 11 Women's Bible Study 12:30-3pm Lounge

Tues. July 12 Coffee & Conversation McDonald's 10am

Finance Meeting 5:30 pm Trustee Meeting 7pm

Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom

Wed. July 13 Prayer 9am on Zoom

SPPRC Meeting 6:30 pm AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall

Thu. July 14 Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am KB'S Coffee House

VBS Practice 6:30 - 8:30pm

Fri. July 15 Community Care Cabinet 10am

Music Department Picnic 5-8pm

Sat. July 16 Worship 5:30pm

#### 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!

#### MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

**VBS:** Calling all Explorers ages 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade... Our Discovery on Adventure Island VBS will be held July 18-21. Dinner 5:15pm, Program 6:00-8:00pm and includes music, games, science, crafts, and bible stories! Register today at: shavertownumc.mycokesburyvbs.com

<u>VBS Music</u> is available by searching Discovery on Adventure Island on Amazon Music, iTunes, Google Play, YouTube, or pick up a CD in the Narthex.

<u>VBS Volunteers</u>: Adult and Youth Volunteers are needed for VBS. Please sign up in the Narthex or go on line and register as a volunteer. This is an exciting opportunity to serve, lead, and most of all have fun while sharing the message of God with the children of SUMC and the community!

We hope you can join us for our Quest for God's Great Light!

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH: We will be having a drive-thru backpack give away on Saturday, August 13 at 10am for the community for the upcoming school year. This year we will be collecting a \$15 monetary donation to purchase the supplies. Each \$15 dollar donation will sponsor one backpack and our goal is to give away 100 backpacks. Donations can be made out to the Missions & Outreach Back to School Bash Fund. Thank you for helping support this worthy cause for the children of our community.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** As of June 1<sup>st</sup>, Kimberly's Floral has raised their price for the altar flowers from \$35 to \$50 due to the increasing cost of flowers and the fuel surcharge from their wholesaler. If you have signed up for altar flowers and do not wish to pay the new cost, please notify the church office. Thank you!

**CHICKEN BBQ:** Trucksville UMC is once again having their annual summer chicken BBQ. This will be a drive-thru pick-up on Friday, July 15 from 4:30 until 7pm. Cost is \$12, and reservations are required by calling 570-696-3897. Take a night off from cooking and enjoy this delicious meal.

**COMING SOON:** Look for more information regarding a night out at the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Railriders game set for August 5.

## **Shavertown** United Methodist Church

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost July 2-3, 2022

The mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

**PRELUDE** "The Battle Hymn of the Republic"

Arr. Nancy Evans
Organ Solo

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Centering Meditation:**

"Let's not get tired in doing good, because in time we'll have a harvest if we don't give up."

Galatians 6: 9

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few!

Lord, send me to tend and till your Gospel.

Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals —

All we need to carry is your Good News.

The Kingdom of God has come near, and Christ is its foundation!

May its building start with me!

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

Loving God, we come to you as a people who know your love. For that we give thanks and praise. But Lord, we know there are many men and women in our world who don't know you. We bring before you those who are lost, who feel alone, abandoned, and hopeless. Some live in our own neighborhoods, our own cities, and towns. We pray that we may be sent from this place today with the Gospel message that through your grace they might know a different life. And we pray that they might in turn -- restored and renewed, loved and fulfilled -- go on to reach others. Help us together to build your Kingdom, Lord! Amen.

\*OPENING HYMN

"Christ is Made the Sure Foundation"

(Tune: #220)

#559

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S (DISCIPLE'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.

#### A MOMENT WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

"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.

#### **CALL TO OFFERING**

God calls us to generous giving by the way God meets our needs each day. Having received enough, we offer all we have, our time, talents, and money to the work of building God's Kingdom as we are sent to carry the Good News into the world.

**GIFT OF MUSIC** 

"This Is My Song"

Arr. Douglas Wagner

Vocal Duet: Rebecca & Emma Oley

\*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

In the offering of our gifts, as well as the living of our days, may we not grow weary of doing what is right, but commit to speaking up for the voiceless, healing the broken, feeding the hungry, and all those mercies which are such a part of your heart and hopes for all your children. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

Luke 10: 1-11; 16-20 NRSV

THE MESSAGE "Travel Light" Pastor Judy Walker

#### **UNISON PRAYER**

Loving God, as we prepare to share in the life of Christ at the holy table, grant us the grace to share in his life in the world through faithful witness. Teach us how to be open with others about our faith in him, to speak the truth in love, humbly and without shame. Save us and all members of the church, especially those with leadership responsibilities, from the temptation to conform to what is popular or what is favored by people we admire for their success in the world. Teach us how to rely upon you, in the power of the Spirit, and not upon ourselves, to bring the harvest of the Kingdom. Let us seek no other reward than to know that we will receive what is promised to faithful witnesses, the reward of knowing you and being known by you in the communion of all the saints forever. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Here I Am, Lord"

# 593

#### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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GIFT OF MUSIC "Come, Share this Feast of Love"

by Lloyd Larson

Vocal Duet: Rebecca & Emma Oley

\*HYMN OF GOING FORTH

"Sent Out in Jesus' Name" (twice)

TFWS #2184

#### \*BENEDICTION

Go forth from this place refreshed and empowered to do the ministry to which God calls you:

Travel lightly, for you carry within you all that you need.

Notice God's presence in simple, everyday experiences.

Whenever opportunity arises, labor for the good of all.

And the blessing and joy of God, our Creator, Healer, and Life-Giver go with you today and always. Amen.

\*POSTLUDE

"We've a Story to Tell the Nations"

by H. Ernest Nichol Piano: Nancy Evans



## SHAVERTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage

It was at a table like this that Jesus shared His last meal with His followers.

We lift the bread as He did.

We break it as He did.

And we share it remembering His words:

"My body is broken for you. Eat and remember me."

We also lift the cup as He did.

And we share it remembering His words:

"My blood flows for you. Drink and remember me".

Here and now we are one in this memory and this meal. One loaf, one cup, one Lord laying down His life for us.

Those leading the celebration receive the bread and wine.

A moment of silence may be allowed for worshippers to remember their own experiences of God's Presence, care or work in their lives.

They are then invited forward to receive.

## Let Us Not Forget Our Mission

It is not for us alone that this sacrifice was made . . .

God's love for the world is so strong that He gave His only Son.

Whoever believes may enter His life.

This meal reminds of the world He loves.

And so, at His word, we share life with all people,

so that all people may share in His life.

Teach us, Lord,

to be a people of open arms

large hearts

and faithful companionship.

We remember Your mission to save us,

Your call to work through us,

And your promise to draw all creation back to You in Jesus.

Amen and Amen.



# A Liturgy for the Lord's Supper

#### Let Us Not Forget Why We Gather

Timeless Designer of time and place,

In this tiny fragment of earth, this small fraction of history, You have gathered us.

You have chosen this sacred moment to fill our minds and to touch our Spirits with God.

to remind us of You and Your awesomely weak human life among us

We are here because we forget

Speak to us again, O God

When life breaks over us, we forget Your strength

Still the waves again, O God

When pain is a constant, unwelcome companion,

we forget Your compassion

Touch and heal again, O God

When fear and uncertainty undermine us, we forget Your Presence *Stand among us again, O God* 

Stand among us again, O God

When grief hollows out our hearts, we forget Your comfort

Weep with us again, O God

We need the gentle whisperings of Your Spirit to inspire faith in us again.

We need to know once more that we are truly not alone;

that we are loved with life-forfeiting love;

that we are forgiven by debt-cancelling grace;

that we are restored to vulnerable relationship with You

We thank You for this brief retreat into remembering and re-creation.

Let us not forget For Jesus' sake. Amen.

## Let Us Not Forget Our God

Even now, as we are re-awakened to Your Spirit,
We remember, O God, Who You are
And remembering, we offer You our praise
Even here, as life rises within us,
We remember what You have done
And remembering we offer You our praise
Even now, as worship makes us a little more whole
We remember what You have given
And remembering we offer You our praise

Silent Praise

## Let Us Not Forget Our Faith

Let us tell again the ancient story of our faith:
That all things live because God said it should be so
That as Jesus, God became one of God's creatures,
and shared life with us
That Jesus journeyed through death and hell to rescue and rebirth us
That Jesus opened the grip of death and reclaimed His life
so as to reclaim ours
That Jesus orders the universe and will return
to make Himself fully known
That God's Spirit now flows over all creation,
moulding her children into Church,
transforming scarlet sinners into snow-coloured saints,
rolling tomb stones away
and leading the dance of eternity.
Amen.

# Let Us Not Forget Those In Need

Here, in the arms of God Who loves with the intensity of a mother, Let us remember our world:

Its places of power, in need of God's wisdom and humility Its peoples, longing for His lessons of understanding and trust

Silent prayers are offered

Here, in the arms of God Who hears every cry, every desire and every hope,

Let us remember the country which gives us a home:

Its poor and hopeless ones, in need of compassion and care Its broken and destructive ones, searching for healing and peace Its children, longing for love and guidance

Silent prayers are offered

Here, in the arms of God Who has engraved our names on the palms of His hands

Let us remember ourselves and those we love:

Our tears, seeking consolation Our pain, hoping to be soothed

Our fears, reaching for faith

Our lives, hungry and thirsty for God

Silent prayers are offered

## Compassionate God,

Our dependence on You is complete. Our need of You is constant. In our prayers we remember this and know that You remember us We trust You and thank You. Amen.

# Let Us Not Forget Our Life Together

Let us remember as we greet each other, that God has placed us in His loving community

May God's peace fill you at all times, and in all places.

The peace may be shared among the worshipers

# <u>Let Us Not Forget Jesus</u>

We come together around this table of memories

It is not that we deserve to be here. This is not a right to be earned. This is not a reward to be achieved. This is a gift which can only be accepted from our forgiving and generous God.