

**PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12 THROUGH NOVEMBER 19**

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, Our Country, 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:** Success of the soup and Welsh cookie sale!

**CONCERNS:** Our homebound friends, People of Ukraine, Paige M.,Deeble Family, John Nicks, Dolores Warner, Wanda Altemose, Joan Roskos, Marilyn Klick, Family of Wilma Williams, Family of Bob Richardson, Elaine Bearley, Donna & Christine, Helena, Shannon & Connie, Mark Kucewicz, Lois Schwartz, Bernie Kovacs, Sue Holdredge, Bob & Nancy Osgood, Charlie, 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  
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  
1st Lt. Allen Carson, 109th US Army Reserves, Phila.  
Rick Hodle III, US Army  
CPL Michael Biesecker, US Marine Corps Reserves

Sgt. Amy Polachek, US Marines, Quantico, VA  
Rick Hodle, Jr., US Navy  
Sgt. Josh McCue, US Air Force  
Specialist Charles Yavorski, FT. Bragg, NC  
1st LT Gregory Navestad, Hill AFB, UT  
Travis Butler, US Navy Reserves  
2nd Lt. Michael T. Shutlock, US Air Force  
Sgt. Brandon Pall, Fort Hood, TX  
Jon Laity, US Navy, Japan

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

Elaine Bearley, The Village At Greenbriar, 4244 Memorial Hwy., Rm 114, Dallas, Pa. 18612

**Weekly Financial Goal: \$6,450 Weeks of November 5/6: \$5,246**  
**Faithfulness in Attendance November 5/6: In Person Worship 141, Online Worship 35**

**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:** Sarah Church (Sat) Margi Esopi (Sun)

**USHERS/GREETERS:** Fred & Marilyn Wesley (Sat)

Kay Simons, Marsha Paczewski & Edie Graziano (Sun)

**TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 13:** Joe Gutierrez

**ACOLYTE:** Madisen B.

**FLOWERS:** In honor of Harold & Kristen Stout’s 14<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

Sun. Nov.13      Worship 9:30am (Veterans Day Recognition)  
Sunday School 10:30am  
God’s Handful 11:30am-12:30pm  
Education Committee Meeting 11:30am Social Hall

Mon. Nov.14      Women’s Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge  
Praise Band Concert 7pm  
Youth Group 6-8pm – Social Hall

Tues. Nov.15      Men’s Ecumenical Breakfast 8am Apple Tree Terrace  
Coffee & Conversation McDonald’s 10am  
Priscilla Circle Noon  
Choir Rehearsal – COL 4:30pm, Chimes 5pm, GNR 6pm  
Men’s Bible Study –Zoom 6:30pm  
Finance Meeting 5:30pm

Wed. Nov.16      Prayer 9am on Zoom  
SPPRC Meeting 6:30pm  
AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall  
Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm

Thu. Nov.17      Connected in Christ Bible Study 7pm Lounge  
Trustees Meeting 7pm

Fri. Nov.18      Community Care Cabinet 10am

Sat. Nov.19      “Joy Story” Rehearsal 10:00-11:15am  
Meal Give-Away Noon  
Worship 5:30pm

**COMING UP NOVEMBER 19 THROUGH NOVEMBER 26**

**NOVEMBER ALTAR GUILD:** Cathy Nicks & Susan Roesse

**LITURGIST:** Bev Atherholt (Sat) Leonard Buxton (Sun)

**USHERS/GREETERS:** Donna & Sarah Church (Sat) Brian & Christie Wilson (Sun)

**TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 20:** Bob Wagner

**ACOLYTE:** Madison W.

Sun. Nov.20	Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Hanging of the Greens 11:30am <b>Church Conference 6pm Dallas UMC</b> Youth Group Meeting 4-6pm
Mon. Nov.21	Women's Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm
Tues. Nov.22	Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am Apple Tree Terrace Coffee & Conversation McDonald's 10am Choir Rehearsal – COL 4:30pm, Chimes 5pm, GNR 6pm Men's Bible Study –Zoom 6:30pm
Wed. Nov.23	Prayer 9am on Zoom <u>AA</u> Meeting 7pm Social Hall No Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thu. Nov.24	Happy Thanksgiving
Fri. Nov.25	Office Closed
Sat. Nov.26	Worship 5:30pm

**MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC**

**MITTEN TREE:** The Youth Group is doing a mission project during the month of November, they are collecting mittens, hats, gloves, and scarfs for children in Luzerne County. Donations can be placed on the Mitten Tree in the Narthex until November 20.

**HANGING OF THE GREENS:** Advent will be starting soon! The Hanging of the Greens will be November 20 at 11:30am. Please come and join us in decorating the church. Children can make ornaments during this time to hang on the tree in the Narthex while parents help decorate.

**POINSETTIAS:** Christmas is around the corner and once again we will be offering poinsettias for sale. We use the poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas Eve worship and then you may take the plant home to enjoy after the 10pm service! Please look for an envelope and order form in the Narthex. All orders are due to the office by Tuesday, November 29.

**ADVENT:** Advent begins November 27<sup>th</sup>. It is a great time to join a Bible study class, read an Advent book, or enjoy a devotional each day. Please see the many classes being offered on the bulletin board in the Narthex. If you don't have time for a class, there is a book/devotional, Because of Bethlehem by Max Lucado, available in the Narthex or see Brenda Kopalek for ideas.

**LIVE NATIVITY:** We be setting up our Live Nativity in front of the church on Dec. 2, 3 and Dec. 9, 10 from 6:00 – 7:30pm. We need 8-10 people each night. Volunteers can sign up in the Narthex.

**UPDATE:** The wills and estate planning workshop previously scheduled for Sunday, November 13 has been postponed until January 2023. Please check back for additional information.

**MEAL GIVE-AWAY:** The list of items needed for our Meal Give-Away on November 19, and sign-up sheets are located in the narthex. We are planning on feeding 400 people.

**UPCOMING EVENTS IN DECEMBER:** Please check back for more information about Carols by Candlelight, The Children's Musical, and Breakfast in Bethlehem.

**Nursery (Sundays) and Activity Bags are Available for Children**

**VISITING OUR CHURCH FOR THE FIRST TIME**

Welcome! We are 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

November 12 & 13 2022

23<sup>rd</sup> 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** Worship Musician (Sat) Ed Pall  
"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" (Sun) By Rick Founds  
Praise Band: John Bunney, Barb Roberts, John Nicks, Nancy Evans

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CENTERING MEDITATION

And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed;  
for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions."  
Luke 12:15

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Sarah Church (Sat) Margi Esopi (Sun)  
We are centered in the promises of God,  
**Caught in the web of grace,**  
Spun in a dance of joy,  
**Welcomed into the house of blessing,**  
Woven into the fabric of trust,  
**Lifted up as a child of the Most High,**  
Surrounded by a cloud of witnesses,  
**And moved by a chorus of praise.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** "America the Beautiful" (Sat) #696  
"My Life Is In You, Lord " (Sun) #2032

**\*OPENING PRAYER** Sarah Church (Sat) Margi Esopi (Sun)  
Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, you created us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you. Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, and no weakness from doing it. In your light may we see life clearly and, in your service, find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**CHILDREN'S CHAT** "Where Children Belong" (Sun) #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.*

## 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.**

## CALL TO OFFERING

**OFFERTORY** "Morning Has Broken" Arr. by Arnold Sherman  
(Sun) Good News 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, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** Sarah Church (Sat) Margi Esopi (Sun)  
Giver of all good things-for water that refreshes, for fields that yield their increase, and for the fruit of the vine that gladdens the heart; we offer you our thanks and praise. May the fruit of our labor go forth into your world, and bless it with abundance. May the gifts we bring this day be a source of refreshment and nourishment, like rivers in the desert, for those in need. Amen.

**GIFT OF MUSIC**

“Here Am I” By B.Millard/P.Kipley  
Praise Band: John Bunney, Barb Roberts, John Nicks, Nancy Evans

**WORD OF GOD**

Hebrews 13:5-6 Sarah Church (Sat) Margi Esopi (Sun)  
Philippians 4:11-13

**MESSAGE**

“Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity & Generosity” Pastor Jon  
“Cultivating Contentment”

**HYMN**

“Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” #462  
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**\*HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

“My Country Tis of Thee” (Sat) #697  
“Armed Forces – The Pride of America!” (Sun) By Greg Gilpin  
Chancel Choir and God’s Handful

\*Veterans and Active Service Members may stand when their branch is called.

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** “America the Beautiful /God Bless the USA/Battle Hymn of Republic” By S.Arant  
Piano: Nancy Evans

**\*Thank you for your service to all our Veteran’s and Active Service members. A free will offering, to benefit the Michael J. Cleary Foundation, which helps our Veterans, will be accepted by the Fine Arts Committee in the Narthex after service.**

**Immediately following worship, all Sunday school students will meet in the Social Hall. Parents are invited to join us for our brief opening with announcements. Thank you!**



**November 12 & 13, 2022**

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