

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 14 THROUGH 21

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, People of Ukraine, 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: Looking forward to all the special church events planned for 2023!

CONCERNS: Our homebound friends, Kopalek Family, Janet Katra, Family of Elaine Bearley, George Parrs, Liam, Carol Broehl, Brandon Pall, Brenda Stchur, Rachel, Family of Maria Hughes, Earl & Carol Folk, Vesta Fountain, Nancy, Mark Kucewicz, Joe, Maggie, Michelle Jackubowski, A Dear Friend, Robert Deeble, The Family of Betty Ashbridge, A Neighbor's Family, 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, USAF,	Sgt. Amy Polachek, USM, 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	1 st 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	2 nd Lt. Michael T. Shutlock, US Air Force
1 st Lt. Allen Carson, 109 th US Army Reserves, Phila.	Sgt. Brandon Pall, Army, Poznan, Poland
Rick Hodle III, US Army	Jon Laity, US Navy, Japan
CPL Michael Biesecker, US Marine Corps Reserves	

Think of this Friend (with cards and prayers)

Peg Gorman, 115 Roberts Rd., Apt. 216, 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: Nan Boswell & Carter Thompson

LITURGIST: Michael Lundy (Sat) Leonard Buxton (Sun)

USHERS/GREETERS: Donna & Sarah Church (Sat) John & Kay Simons (Sun)

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 15: Dave Kelly

ACOLYTE: Owen B.

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

Sun. Jan. 15	Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am God's Handful 11:30 am -12:30 pm
Mon. Jan. 16	Women's Bible Study 1-3 pm
Tues. Jan. 17	Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am Apple Tree Terrace Coffee & Conversation McDonald's 10am Children of Light 4:30 pm Chapel Chimes 5 pm Good News Ringers 6:00 pm Finance Meeting 5 pm Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
Wed. Jan. 18	Prayer 9am on Zoom SPPRC Meeting 6:30pm AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall Chancel Choir 7:30pm
Thurs. Jan. 19	AA Book Discussion Meeting 7-8pm in Social Hall Connected in Christ – 7:00pm in Lounge
Fri. Jan. 20	Community Care Cabinet 10am
Sat. Jan. 21	Worship 5:30pm

Weekly Financial Goal: \$6,450 Week of Jan. 7/8: \$3,704

Faithfulness in Attendance Jan. 7/8: In Person Worship 118 Online Worship 35

COMING UP JANUARY 21 THROUGH JANUARY 28

JANUARY ALTAR GUILD: Nan Boswell & Carter Thompson

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

USHERS/GREETERS: Fred & Marilyn Wesley (Sat) Larry & Peggy Schuler aa(Sun)

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 22: Bob Bullock

ACOLYTE: Abby J.

ALTAR FLOWERS: In honor of Nick & Sandy Michalisin's Wedding Anniversary

- Sun. Jan. 22 Worship 9:30am
 Sunday School 10:30am
 Hospitality Meeting 10:30am
 God's Handful 11:30 am -12:30 pm
 Confirmation 4-6pm
- Mon. Jan. 23 Women's Bible Study 1-3 pm
 PEO Meeting 7pm
- Tues. Jan. 24 Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8am Apple Tree Terrace
 Coffee & Conversation McDonald's 10am
 Children of Light 4:30 pm
 Chapel Chimes 5 pm
 Good News Ringers 6:00 pm
 Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
 Worship Meeting 7:30pm
- Wed. Jan. 25 Prayer 9am on Zoom
 AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall
 Chancel Choir 7:30pm
- Thurs. Jan. 26 AA Book Discussion Meeting 7-8pm in Social Hall
 Connected in Christ – 7:00pm in Lounge
- Fri. Jan. 27 Community Care Cabinet 10am
- Sat. Jan. 28 Worship 5:30pm

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

"SOUPER BOWL OF CARING" FOOD DRIVE – Our Sunday School classes, and Youth Group are doing a food drive for the Back Mountain Food Pantry. Please help us "Tackle Hunger" and reach our goal of 200 items by Superbowl Sunday, Feb. 12th, by donating nonperishable food items such as soup, flour, sugar, and cereal.

FLOWER CHART: The 2023 flower chart is now in the narthex. If you would like a particular week to purchase altar flowers, please fill in on the date you wish to reserve.

SOUP FEST: A variety of soup will be available to taste in the Social Hall on January 28 at 6:30pm. You may sample a variety of soups and a free will offering will be accepted to try as many soups as you like. You may purchase a container of soup for \$5. Nothing like a hot cup of soup to warm the soul in these cold winter days!

ESTATE PLANNING: Attys. Lynn Banta and Stephen Killian will be hosting a free estate and will planning workshop on Sunday, January 29 at 10:30am and again at 11:30am. Important information will be shared for all ages.

Our Nursery is available on Sundays during worship and we have Activity Bags for young children in the back of the church.

Welcome! We are happy you are joining us for worship today. If you are looking for a church home, we would love to welcome you as part of the Shavertown UMC family! Please fill out a connection card found in the pew and put it in the collection plate. We worship on Saturday at 5:30 PM and Sunday at 9:30 AM. Christian education is available for all ages. 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. You can also follow us on Facebook and visit our website at www.shavertownumc.com. We hope you will join us again.

Shavertown United Methodist Church

January 14-15, 2022

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

The mission of the United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ

(* indicates please stand if you are able)

PRELUDE

“Come Just As You Are”

Arr. Mark

Hayes

Piano: Nancy Evans

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MEDITATION

I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

Isaiah 49:6b

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Michael Lundy (Sat) Leonard Buxton (Sun)

Come! Weak-kneed and tongue-tied, come. All you who are feeling hassled and harried, come. All you with shattered dreams and punctured hopes, come.

For here is the water of life and the springs of joy.

We come as we are.

Gather round. All you with lonely hearts and worried brows. All you fragile vessels bearing the hurt of the world, all you carrying the wounds of rejection, all you knowing ambushes of life, come. For here is a community gathered around a table.

We come with our needs.

Come. Here is a banquet for your soul, a vision of peace and harmony, a feast of hope and healing. Come.

We come to be fed.

Come close; gather in. God is here. Christ is present. Hear the whispers of grace. Feel the warmth of love. Know the healing of wounds. Sense the hope and embrace of joy.

We come together. God’s love makes us one.

*OPENING HYMN

“I Love to Tell the Story”

#156

Vs. 1-3

*OPENING PRAYER

Michael Lundy (Sat) Leonard Buxton (Sun)

O God, we are awed by the responsibility you entrust to us as your children, that you ask us to point the way toward you. Help us to be like salt, a small ingredient that gives flavor to the common life of humanity while drawing little attention to itself. Give us courage to live with faith, love and hope through Christ, so that our lives may shine with your light, and all may worship you. 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.*

JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

#2158

*I am weak, but thou art strong; Jesus, keep me from all wrong;
I'll be satisfied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee.
Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea,
Daily walking close to thee: Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

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

GIFT OF MUSIC

“As the Deer”

Arr. Douglas E. Wagner

Chancel Choir

***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**

Michael Lundy (Sat) Leonard Buxton (Sun)

**Lamb of God, you blessed us with water and the Spirit, that we might know fullness of life; you call us to be saints and a light to the nations, that others might be brought to the dawn of your glory. May our gifts and our giving reach to the very ends of the earth, that those who struggle to see your light might be helped to discover your glory for themselves.
Amen.**

WORD OF GOD

John 1:29-42

Michael Lundy (Sat)
Leonard Buxton

(Sun)

MESSAGE

“Jesus and AirBnB”

Pastor Jon

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

“The Summons”
Vs. 1,2 & 4

#2130

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

“We Will Follow”

By L. Mourian
Organ: Nancy Evans

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!



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Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage