

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 29 THROUGH FEBRUARY 4

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 the recent California shootings. 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 recent Chinese New Year fundraiser dinner

CONCERNS: Our homebound friends, Peter Buxton, Bob & Nancy Osgood, Blewitt Family, Rita Woolverton, Family of Maxine Kapral, Glenda & Mardy Shepherd, Connie Jones, The Fisk Family, Riley Faith, Alima, Bauer Family, Kopalek Family, Janet Katra, Family of Elaine Bearley, Family of Maria Hughes, Liam, Nancy, Mark Kucewicz, 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)

Anne Jewell, 52 W. Center St., Shavertown, Pa. 18708

Weekly Financial Goal: \$6,450 Week of Jan. 21/22: \$3,022

Faithfulness in Attendance Jan. 21/22: In Person Worship 129 Online Worship 35

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are so glad to worship with you today!

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

FEBRUARY ALTAR GUILD: Edie Graziano & Dianne Nice
LITURGIST: Cathy Nicks (Sat) Mike Jackubowski (Sun)
USHERS/GREETERS: Christine Koerwer (Sat) Mae & Don Rome (Sun)
TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30: Kim Donlin
ACOLYTE: Madisen B.

Sun. Jan. 29	Worship 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Estate Planning Workshop 10:30am & 11:30am Confirmation 1:30-3:30pm Youth Group 4-6pm
Mon. Jan. 30	Women's Bible Study 1-3 pm
Tues. Jan. 31	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
Wed. Feb. 1	Prayer 9am on Zoom Girl Scouts 5:30-6pm Mission & Outreach 6:30pm AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall Chancel Choir 7:30pm
Thurs. Feb. 2	Staff Meeting 11:30am AA Book Discussion Meeting 7-8pm in Social Hall Connected in Christ – 7:00pm in Lounge
Fri. Feb. 3	
Sat. Feb. 4	Worship 5:30pm

COMING UP FEBRUARY 4 THROUGH FEBRUARY 11

FEBRUARY ALTAR GUILD: Edie Graziano & Dianne Nice

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

USHERS/GREETERS: Cathy & John Nicks (Sat) Wilson Family (Sun)

TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5: Joe Kopalek

ACOLYTE: Josh J.

- Sun. Feb. 5 Worship 9:30am
Sunday School 10:30am
Education Committee Meeting 11:30am
God's Handful 11:30 am -12:15 pm
Confirmation 4-6pm
- Mon. Feb. 6 Women's Bible Study 1-3 pm
- Tues. Feb. 7 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
Council Meeting 7pm
- Wed. Feb. 8 Prayer 9am on Zoom
AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall
Chancel Choir 7:30pm
- Thurs. Feb. 9 AA Book Discussion Meeting 7-8pm in Social Hall
Connected in Christ – 7:00pm in Lounge
- Fri. Feb. 10 Community Care Cabinet
- Sat. Feb. 11 Worship 5:30pm
Valentine Dinner 6:30pm


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

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

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

VALENTINE DINNER: Come and enjoy an evening of good food and fellowship at our Valentine Dinner on Saturday, February 11 from 6:30pm to 8pm in the Social Hall. Cost is \$20 per person or \$72 for a party of 4. A sign-up sheet is located in the narthex. The event is limited to 80 people so reserve your spot early.

“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.

SINGING VALENTINES:  It's that time of year for **Singing Valentines** from our choirs at Shavertown UM Church. Since the cost of a stamp has gone way up, you can send your Special Sweetie a “Singing Valentine” for only \$5. You choose from our list of songs, and it is delivered on Valentine's Day, Feb 14 by our very own choir members, live & personal. The recipient does not need to answer as the recordings are just as special. This year, the proceeds will benefit our church to continue our services and missions for God. Forms are available in the Narthex or from any choir member.

NURSERY CARE PROVIDER: Shavertown UMC is seeking someone to fill an opening in our Nursery. The paid position would be approximately 1 ½ hours on Sunday mornings during worship. Background checks are required. If interested, please contact the office at 570-675-3616 or Ron Rogers at 570-855-2573.

SAVE THE DATE! - 2023 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – JULY 17 – 20, 6-8pm

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 28 & 29, 2023

4th Sunday after Epiphany

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

Saturday Worship Musician: Ed Pall
Sunday Worship Musician: Cindy Thomas
“When Morning Gilds the Skies” By Barnby/Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MEDITATION

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing,
but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
1 Corinthians 1:18

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Cathy Nicks (Sat) Mike Jackubowski (Sun)

With what shall we come before God this day?

With love and justice, with compassion and kindness.

With what shall we worship the Lord this day?

With humility and mercy, with faithfulness and righteousness.

Come into God’s presence, not as perfect beings, but as people of hope and blessing.

Blessed are the poor in spirit. Blessed are the meek and the merciful.

Blessed are the sorrowful and those who dream of peace and righteousness.

Bring your dreams. Bring your sorrows. For all are welcome here!

*OPENING HYMN

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” #133

*OPENING PRAYER

Cathy Nicks (Sat) Mike Jackubowski (Sun)

O Holy One, born of the assurance that our worship need not be fancy, our offerings need not be huge, and our lives need not be perfect, we come seeking your blessing. May we see your presence blessing our lives and the lives around us. Bless us all, O God, that we may walk humbly with you, seeking justice and loving kindness, every day of our lives. Bless us, Source of Blessing, that we may bless your world.

CHILDREN’S CHAT

“Where Children Belong” (Sun) #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.**

CALL TO OFFERING

GIFT OF MUSIC

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” By W.Williams/J. Hughes
Organ, Chancel & God’s Handful Choirs

*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

Cathy Nicks (Sat) Mike Jackubowski (Sun)

**Blessed are these offerings: offerings of peace and justice, offerings of love and compassion, offerings of kindness and mercy. Blessed are the givers of these offerings: givers of peace and justice, givers of love and compassion, givers of kindness and mercy.
Blessed are we who are entrusted by God to share God’s gifts with the world!**

WORD OF GOD

Micah 6:1-8
Matthew 5:1-12

Cathy Nicks (Sat)
Mike Jackubowski (Sun)

MESSAGE

“Stuff”

Pastor Jon

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”
Vs 1,2,4
“Sent Out in Jesus Name”
2 Times

(Sat) #2153

(Sun) #2184

***BENEDICTION**

Go forth, foolish followers of God
We go with the power of Christ’s compassion.
Go forth, foolish believers in justice.
We go seeking justice and peace.
Go forth, foolish lovers of kindness.
We go with the foolish grace of God.

***POSTLUDE**

“Sing a New Song”

By Edward Broughton
Organ: Cindy Thomas

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!

***Thanks to Ed Pall and Cindy Fisher Thomas for sharing their Gifts of Music with us!**



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Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage