

PRAYER GUIDE FOR WEEK OF APRIL 15 THROUGH APRIL 22

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: The baptism of Aurora Jane S.

CONCERNS: Our homebound friends, Eileen Kerpovich, Thompson Family, Joe Grippe, Family of Madelyn Roote, Grace, Sherry, Lamezec Family, Mark K., Gabe Tinch, Barb & Bob Nezlick, The Belara Family, Tom Mowery, Carey, 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	Daniel Cochran, US Navy Nuclear School

Think of this Friend (with cards and prayers)

June VanEtten, The Village at Greenbriar, 4252 Memorial Hwy., R. 116, Dallas, Pa. 18612

Weekly Financial Goal: \$6,450 Week of April 8/9: \$6,653

Faithfulness in Attendance April 8/9: In Person Worship 229 Online Worship 40

Activity Bags for young children are available in the back of the church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are so glad to worship with you today!

APRIL ALTAR GUILD: Sandy Michalisin & Sue Holdredge
LITURGIST: Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat) Cindy Biesecker (Sun)
USHERS/GREETERS: Edie Graziano (Sat) Navestad Family (Sun)
TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 16: Aaron Harvatine
ACOLYTES: Owen B.

- Sun. Apr. 16 Worship 9:30am
Hospitality Meeting 10:30am
God’s Handful 11:30am -12:30pm
Youth Group 4 – 6pm Social Hall
- Mon. Apr. 17 Women’s Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge
Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm
- Tues. Apr. 18 Men’s Ecumenical Breakfast 8 am Apple Tree Terrace
Coffee & Conversation 10am
Priscilla Circle - Noon
Children of Light 4:30pm
Chapel Chimes 5pm
Finance Meeting 5pm
Good News Ringers 6:00pm
Men’s Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
- Wed. Apr. 19 Prayer 9am on Zoom
Girl Scouts 5:30pm
AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall
Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:30PM
- Thurs. Apr. 20 Grief Share 6:30pm - Lounge
AA Book Discussion Meeting 7-8pm in Social Hall
Connected in Christ Class – 7:00pm HS Sunday School Room
- Fri. Apr. 21 Community Care Cabinet 10am
Family Fun Dance – Social Hall 6–8:30pm
- Sat. Apr. 22 Meal Give-Away Noon
Worship 5:30pm

COMING UP APRIL 22 THROUGH APRIL 29

APRIL ALTAR GUILD: Sandy Michalisin & Sue Holdredge
LITURGIST: Bev Atherholt (Sat) Margi Esopi (Sun)
USHERS/GREETERS: Donna & Sarah Church (Sat) Charlie Kishbaugh (Sun)
TRUSTEE SECURITY FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 24: Bob Wagner & Kim Donlin
ACOLYTES: Madisen B.

Sun. Apr. 23 Worship 9:30am
 God's Handful 11:30am – 12:30pm

Mon. Apr. 24 Women's Bible Study 1-3pm Lounge
 PEO Meeting 7pm
 Praise Band Rehearsal 7pm

Tues. Apr. 25 Men's Ecumenical Breakfast 8 am Apple Tree Terrace
 Coffee & Conversation 10am
 Children of Light 4:30pm
 Chapel Chimes 5pm
 Good News Ringers 6:00pm
 Men's Bible Study 7pm on Zoom
 Worship Committee Meeting 7:30pm

Wed. Apr. 26 Prayer 9am on Zoom
 AA Meeting 7pm Social Hall
 Chancel Choir Rehearsal 7:30PM

Thurs. Apr. 27 Grief Share 6:30pm - Lounge
 AA Book Discussion Meeting 7-8pm in Social Hall
 Connected in Christ Class – 7:00pm HS Sunday School Room
 Trustee Meeting 7pm

Fri. Apr. 28 Community Care Cabinet 10am

Sat. Apr. 29 Girl Scout Registration 3-6pm Social Hall
 Worship 5:30pm

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!

MISSION AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT SHAVERTOWN UMC

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS: Pastor Jon will be offering a new membership class on the following Sundays at 10:45am on April 16, 23, & 30. If you are interested in joining the Shavertown church family or would just like to know more about the methodist faith, please join us. If interested, please contact the church at 570-675-3616.

PRISCILLA CIRCLE: We will be meeting on Tuesday April 18 at noon in the Social Hall. Our hostess will be Glenda Shepherd who will lead devotions. Rhoda Tillman from Senior Peer Counseling will be the speaker. Please bring lunch and enjoy fellowship. For more information, contact Cathy Berkey at 570-709-2338.

FAMILY FUN DANCE: Join us for a night of fun for the whole family at our "Let's Glow Crazy" dance on Friday, April 21, 6-8:30pm in the Social Hall. Includes a costume contest "How GLOW can you go?!?!" and light refreshments. Song requests can be made in the Narthex. There is a sign up in the Narthex to get an estimate of the number of people coming to make planning easier and if you would like to bring refreshments.

"A CELEBRATION OF CREATION": You are cordially invited to our Spring Concert on Sunday April 30, 2023, at 7:00PM honoring God and all his wondrous creations. SUMC Chancel Choir, God's Handful, Children of Light, Praise Band, Good News Ringers, a guest pianist, organist, trumpeter, timpani and much more. You will be included in singing our favorite hymns of creation as part of the celebration. A free will offering will be accepted and we will end with an Ice Cream Social for all. See you soon and bring a friend or 2 with you!

BLOOD DRIVE: Dallas UMC will be hosting the American Red Cross blood drive on Thursday, April 27, 2023, from 1pm to 5:30pm. Please give the gift of life so others may live also.

GERANIUM FUNDRAISER: Cindy Biesecker and her confirmand are selling geraniums to benefit the church's general fund. The cost is 3 for \$10. Orders are due by April 30th. Vouchers will be available May 6-7 after worship or at the church office after May 7. You may redeem your vouchers for 4.5" pots in your choice of colors at Darling's Nursery from May 12-31. Please make checks payable to SUMC and memo geraniums.

Shavertown United Methodist Church

April 15-16, 2023

2nd Sunday of Easter

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: "Christ Is Alive" By Brian Wren
Organ: Nancy Evans

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MEDITATION

Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now,
you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving
the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

1 Peter 1:8-9

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat) Cindy Biesecker (Sun)
The tomb was found empty!
What does this mean?
Jesus has risen!
What does this mean?
Jesus comes to us, saying, "Peace be with you!"
What does this mean?
O ye of little faith, do not doubt, but believe!
**Come, let us walk the journey of faith, acknowledging our doubts but holding onto hope,
for Christ is Risen!**

***OPENING HYMN** (Sat) "He Is Lord" #177
(Sun) "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" #304

***OPENING PRAYER** Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat) Cindy Biesecker (Sun)
Lord of Life, submitting to death, you conquered the grave. By being lifted on a cross you
draw all peoples to you. By being raised from the dead you restored to humanity all that
we had lost through sin. Throughout these fifty days of Easter we proclaim the marvelous
mystery of death and resurrection. For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity.
Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHAT (Sun) "Where Children Belong" #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 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #526
*What a friend we have in Jesus, all your sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.*

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 "Hallelujah! Resurrection Day!" By Larry Shackley
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** Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat) Cindy Biesecker (Sun)
O God, our refuge and our strength, we rejoice that you are our chosen portion, you are our
cup that overflows to eternal life. As we celebrate your Easter miracle of bringing life out
of death, we express our gratitude and joy for the new life budding within us and all
around us. Bless the gifts we offer you this day, that they may bring hope and new life to a
world that clings even now to the illusion of death's victory over the Lord of Life. Amen.

WORD OF GOD

1 Peter 1:3-9
Pg #232
John 20:19-31
Pg #115

Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat)
Cindy Biesecker (Sun)

MESSAGE

“Eyewitness”

Pastor Jon

HYMN

(Sat) “Breath on Me , Breath of God”
(Sun) “Open Our Eyes”

#420
#2086

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (Sun)

See Insert

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

(Sat) “He Lives”
(Sun) “Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise”
Vs. 1-3

#310
#312

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

“We Want to See Jesus Lifted High”

Arr. Mark Kellner
Piano: Nancy Evans



April 15 - 16, 2023

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Hospitality Opportunity Prepare Engage

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!