



Shavertown United Methodist Church



June 1 & 2, 2024

We're glad you're joining us today!

If you're looking for a church home, we'd love to welcome you as part of the Shavertown UMC family! Please fill out a yellow connection card found in the pew and place it into the collection plate.

You're invited to visit our Welcome Table in the Narthex for a gift and information on the many ministries of our church including Christian Education opportunities.

We hope you'll join us again.

Faith and Film Series

Helping with Worship today:

Greeters/Ushers: Frank & Linda Gruver (Sat) Lori & Mark Kucewicz (Sun)

Acolyte: Ella B. & Olivia K. (Sun) | Liturgists: Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat) Cindy Biesecker (Sun)

(* indicates please stand if you are able)

PRELUDE

“O Perfect Love”

By Joseph Barnby
Piano: Nancy Evans

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MEDITATION

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Colossians 3:12, 14

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Mary Ellen (Sat) Cindy (Sun)

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name.

How awesome are your deeds, O God.

Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of his praise be heard.

He has brought us to life, and into liberty, to sing his praise.

*OPENING HYMN

“I Sing the Almighty Power of God”

#152

*OPENING PRAYER

Mary Ellen (Sat) Cindy (Sun)

O holy God, whom only the pure in heart will see: Give us holy eyes and hands. We lift them up to you. Wash our hearts with your Spirit, that we may see and worship you in truth.

In the name of Jesus. Amen.

CHILDREN'S CHAT

“Where Children Belong”

#2233 (Sun)

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 "Surely the Presence of the Lord" #328
*Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place; I can feel his mighty power and his grace.
I can hear the brush of angels' wings, I see glory on each face;
surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CALL TO OFFERING

GIFT OF MUSIC "Cantar!" By Jay Althouse (Sun)
(Sing!) God's Handful

***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 (Sat) Cindy (Sun)
**Creator of all things, we give back to you in praise of your glory. We do not wish to simply
praise you with our song and our words and our hands; we wish to praise you by loving our
brothers and sisters in Christ. Take and use our gifts, that they may serve your kingdom.
Amen.**

GIFT OF MUSIC "The Journey" Arr. Joseph Martin(Sun)
From the "New World Symphony" by Anton Dvorak & the Shaker Hymn "Simple Gifts"
Chancel & God's Handful Choirs

WORD OF GOD Colossians 3:12-14 & John 15:9-17 Mary Ellen (Sat) Cindy (Sun)
Pg 201 & 109 Respectively

MESSAGE "Let's Go to the Movies" Pastor Jon
Faith & Film Series Week 1

HYMN OF PREPARATION "Let Us Break Bread Together" #618
Vs 1 & 2

HOLY COMMUNION See Insert

HOLY COMMUNION

THE INVITATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we dare to come into your presence again, asking for forgiveness. We have not heeded your words to bring Good News to the poor nor sought the release of captives. We have passed by the blind and ignored the oppressed. We have chosen comfort and safety, missing opportunities to grow our character in acts of compassion. Hear our prayers and let your forgiveness release in us a power to do and be, which will show the world how Christians love. Amen.

[Silent Prayer]

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise. . .

THE 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.

SHARING OF THE BREAD & CUP

CONCLUDING PRAYER

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH** “They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love” #2223
Vs 1, 2 & 4

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE** “Bind Us Together in Love” By Bob Gillman
Organ: Nancy Evans

SHAVERTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



Shavertown United Methodist Church Announcements

Church Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday 8:30am through 3:00pm
Weekly Worship Services Saturdays 5:30pm & Sundays 9:30am
Activity Bags for young children are available in the back of the church.
Nursery is available during the 9:30am worship.

MISSION & MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

GRADUATE RECOGNITION: We will be recognizing our High School and College graduates at the 9:30am worship on June 2.

PRAYER SHAWL: Do you knit or crochet? The prayer shawl yarners could use your talents. We will be meeting at 7pm on Monday, June 3 in the lounge. Bring your WIP's and join us as we work on our PHD's. For more information, please contact Cathy Berkey at 570-709-2338.

SATURDAY WORSHIP: Our summer Sat. outdoor worship at the Pavilion begins on June 8.

SUMMER BIBLE DAYS: All children are invited to join us for Summer Bible Days! On June 9 we will be having a bible story, crafts, games, and snacks after Children's Chat. Parents can pick their children up immediately following worship at 10:30am. Volunteers are needed for this program, please sign up in the narthex.

PRAISE BAND CONCERT: Please join us for our final concert of the season. Enjoy the summer and we will return in September.

PRISCILLA CIRCLE: The Priscilla Circle covered dish picnic will be held on Tuesday, June 18 at 6pm in the pavilion. Remember to bring a wrapped gift for the auction. Proceeds will go to VBS. Contact Cathy Berkey at 570-709-2338 to make a reservation and sign up your special dish. All women of the church are invited. This is a great time to meet the special ladies from our church. Hope to see you there!

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION PROGRAM: The Fine Arts Committee is hosting a "Juneteenth" Interactive Musical Program on Saturday June 22nd at 7:00pm entitled "Bamboo Man and the Drinking Gourd". The musical performance is free and open to the public. A free will offering will be accepted with a reception to follow. This is a "must-see" program for the whole family!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Our VBS “Camp Firelight: A Summer Camp Adventure with God” is Monday, July 15th through Thursday, July 18th. Dinner is 5:15pm and the program is 6-8pm. All children currently in preschool through 5th grade can register on the church website. Our VBS includes cool music, unique science experiments, creative crafts, fun games, and exciting Bible stories!

VBS VOLUNTEERS: Many adult and youth volunteers are needed for VBS on July 15 – 18. We hope you will consider helping to make this important community outreach a great success. If you can't do all 4 days, that is okay, just indicate how many days you could help. There is a sign up in the Narthex or you can register as a volunteer on the church website.

PRAISE IN THE PARK: Trucksville UMC will offer a gathering at Francis Slocum State Park near Pavilion 3 and the boat launch on the following Saturdays: June 15 @1pm, July 6 @ 9am, July 20 @ 1pm, Aug.3 @9am and Aug 17 @1pm. The focus will center of each piece of “the armor” and its significance in the battle against evil. For more information email office@trucksvilleumc.com.

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP HELP FOR JUNE 8-9

Greeters & Ushers: Deb & Ray Poremba (Sat) Maureen Doerfler & Mary Hoyes (Sun)

Liturgist: Bev Atherholt (Sat) Margi Esopi (Sun) **Acolyte:** Abby J.

June Altar Guild: Marilyn & Fred Wesley

Trustee Week of June 2: Kim Donlin **Trustee Week of June 9:** Tom Ketchner

Finances: Weekly Financial Goal: \$6,450 Week of May 25-26: \$4,475

Faithfulness in Attendance: May 25-26: In Person Worship 115 Online Worship 35

UPCOMING AND WEEKLY EVENTS JUNE 2-15

June 2: Graduation Recognition

June 3: Prayer Shawl Meeting 7pm

June 4: Council Meeting 7pm

June 5: Mission & Outreach Meeting 6:30pm

June 8: Outdoor Worship at the Pavilion (Weather Permitting)

June 9: Children's Summer Sunday School

June 10: Praise Band Concert 7pm (Last one for the summer)

SHAVERTOWN UMC WEEKLY RECURRING REGULAR EVENTS & ACTIVITIES:

Sundays	9:30am	Worship
Mondays	1-3pm	Women's Bible Study
	7pm	Praise Band (Concert 2 nd Monday of the Month)
Tuesdays	8am	Men's Ecumenical Breakfast @ Apple Tree Terrace
	10am	Coffee & Conversation @ McDonalds, Shavertown
Wednesdays	9am	Prayer on Zoom
	7pm	AA Meeting, Social Hall
Thursdays	7pm	AA Book Discussion Meeting, Social Hall
Fridays	10am	Community Care Cabinet
Saturdays	5:30pm	Worship

WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

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 JOYS: Our sparkling clean cars due to the Youth Group Car Wash Event

ALWAYS BE IN PRAYER FOR: The United Methodist Church, Our Country, People of Ukraine, Victims in Israel & Gaza, Victims of the shootings & 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

PRAYERS FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY: Our homebound friends, Sharon Buxton, Barbara, Joe, Brooke, Rachael G., Irene T, Jennifer, Donna, Mark Kempa, Marianne Wolf, Ragowski Family, Mike Jackubowski, Bryant Mesick, Mary, Finley T., Nick ,Chris Ostrowski

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
1st LT. Gregory Navestad, Hill AFB, UT
LT. Joey Zobel, U.S.N., Washington, DC.

Travis Butler, US Navy Reserves
Maj. Erika Reese, US Army, Ft. Benning, GA
Captain Michael T. Shutlock, US Air Force
1st LT. Allen Carson, 109th US Army
Reserves, Phila.
Sgt. Brandon Pall, Army, Maryland
Rick Hodle III, US Army
Jon Laity, US Navy, Japan
CPL Michael Biesecker, USMC Reserves
Daniel Cochran, US Navy, S.C.

Think of this Friend (with cards and prayers)
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