



Shavertown United Methodist Church

Faith Dreamers



July 27 & 28, 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.

10th Sunday After Pentecost

Helping with Worship today:

Greeters/Ushers: Fred & Marily Wesley (Sat) John & Bev Bunney (Sun)
Acolyte: Keyara S. (Sun) | Liturgists: Mary Ellen Pajor (Sat) Ginger McCabe (Sun)

(* indicates please stand if you are able)

PRELUDE

"I Love Him Better with I'm So Happy"

Arr. Marily White
Piano: Nancy Evans

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MEDITATION

"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly
far more than all we can ask or imagine"

Ephesians 3:20

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Mary Ellen (Sat) Ginger (Sun)

Let us rejoice, for morning has dawned. A new day has been born,
and we are newly alive to enjoy it.

**We know the beauty of God's creation and the wonder of the human family. We remember
those whose love has shaped our lives and those whose struggle for justice
has been unsleeping even in nighttimes of loneliness.**

We gather in our church to worship God, to share prayers and gifts,
to pledge ourselves to God's work in the world.

**May God bless us, so that what we do in this time together may be
honest, sacred, and filled with hope.**

*OPENING HYMN

"Hope of the World"

#178

Vs. 1, 2 & 5

*OPENING PRAYER

Mary Ellen (Sat) Ginger (Sun)

**Holy one, we bow our hearts before you this day. Strengthen us in our innermost being and
dwell in our hearts through faith. May we be rooted and grounded in Christ, whose love is
beyond all knowledge. Help us to comprehend even the smallest part of the beautiful
mystery of your grace. Grant that we may experience the fullness of your presence with us.
Amen.**

CHILDREN'S CHAT

"Where Children Belong"

#2233 (Sun)

*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**

"Through It All"

#507

*Through it all, through it all, I've learned to trust in Jesus,
I've learned to trust in God;
Through it all, through it all, I've learned to depend upon God's word.*

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**

"O Happy Day"

By Edwin Hawkins
Soloist: Courtney Hahn

***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) Ginger (Sun)

Gracious Lord, you have lavished upon us the riches of your glory. As Jesus fed the masses, providing enough for all with more than enough left over, so you have fed us and provided for us. You shelter us, care for us, and bring us safely to each stop on our journey. As you have given to us out of your abundance, we return our offering to you with praise and thanksgiving. In the name of our Savior, we pray. Amen.

WORD OF GOD

John 6: 1-21 & Ephesians 3:14-21 Mary Ellen (Sat) Ginger (Sun)
Pgs. 97-98 & 193 Respectively

MESSAGE

“Faith Dreamers”

Pastor Jon

***HYMN OF GOING FORTH**

“Victory in Jesus”

#370

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

“A New Beginning”

By Laurel Hunt Pedersen
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

HOAGIE SALE: For the next few weeks, coupons can be purchased for \$9 for J & J Hoagies from Mary Ellen Pajor on Saturday or Kim Donlin on Sunday before or after worship. Take a night off from cooking.

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH/TOUCH A TRUCK: Our backpack give-away, including supplies, will take place Saturday, August 10, 10am-noon. There will be trucks and heavy equipment for children to touch and explore. We are asking for sponsors at \$15 per bag. For more information or if you have a truck for this event, contact Sandy Michalisin at 570-690-0143. Please put your donation in an envelope available in the Narthex and return it to the collection plate or church office.

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: 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.

UPCOMING CONCERT: Once again, Fine Arts will be hosting the amazing TIM ZIMMERMAN & THE KING’S BRASS on Tuesday August 13, 2024 at 7:00pm. This is a concert that you do not want to miss. Brass, keyboard and percussion combine to create an upbeat and fun Christian musical experience.

CHURCH PICNIC: Our annual church picnic will be held on Sunday, August 25 directly following worship which will be at the pavilion. Come enjoy great music, a pot luck luncheon and fellowship. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

GOLF TOURNAMENT: Our 17th Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser will be held at Huntsville Golf Club on Monday, September 9 at 10am. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Nick Michalisin at 570-814-0127.

STUDY/MISSION OPPORTUNITY: Join Pastor Jon and other UM's on a South-Central Mexico study mission trip October 4-13, 2024, with "Give Ye Them To Eat" – a rural development mission of the UMC of Mexico. More information to follow or contact Pastor Jon Buxton at jbuxton@susumc.org or check out www.gytte.org.

RESPONDING TO GENERAL CONFERENCE CHANGES:

The recently postponed 2020 General Conference was indeed historic and there is a lot of information to unpack. One of the decisions regarding LGBTQIA+ marriages impacts local churches. The Trustees of each church have been charged with determining policy as to whether LGBTQIA+ marriages can take place in their buildings. We also need to determine if our congregation would be willing to accept and support a LGBTQIA+ Pastor in the future. To gather input for the Trustees, the Church Council has proposed the following plan:

1. A mailed survey sent out to gather input from congregation. (**August 4** collection deadline)
2. Trustees receive congregational input and develop a Building Use Policy for Church Council approval.

Your participation and input will be extremely helpful as our church leadership creates an updated Building Use Policy and profile for future pastors. Thank You.

UPCOMING AND WEEKLY EVENTS July 28-AUGUST 10

July 31: Trustee Meeting 7pm

August 1: Staff Meeting 11am

August 4: Deadline for Survey

August 5: Prayer Shawl Meeting 7pm

August 7: Mission & Outreach Meeting 6:30pm

August 10: Back to School Bash/Touch a Truck 10am-Noon

SHAVERTOWN UMC WEEKLY RECURRING REGULAR EVENTS & ACTIVITIES:

Sundays	9:30am	Worship
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Mondays	1-3pm	Women's Bible Study
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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
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Fridays	10am	Community Care Cabinet
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Saturdays	5:30pm	Worship at the Pavilion
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NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP HELP FOR AUGUST 3-4

Greeters & Ushers: John & Cathy Nicks (Sat) TBD (Sun)

Liturgist: TBD (Sat) Ginger McCabe (Sun) **Acolytes:** Ethan T. & Ella B.

August Altar Guild: Mary Ellen Pajor & Cathy Nicks

Trustee Week of July 27: Charlie Kishbaugh **Trustee Week of August 4:** Bev Atherholt

Finances: Weekly Financial Goal: \$6,450 Week of July 20-21: \$2,843

Faithfulness in Attendance: July 20-21: In Person Worship 122 Online Worship 35

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: Number of items collected for the Shoe Box Ministry at VBS!

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, Liam, Robert Warner, Sandy Sprau, Jessica & Baby William, George Stafford, John & Gladys Chapple, Sherri Nash, John, Dave, Daughter of Marianne Wolf and Family, Family of Claudia, Marilyn

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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