



# **Mission Statement:**

"To be a friendly congregation where all people can freely come and worship, experience family fellowship, feel the presence of God's love in a historical and recreational setting, and be a beacon of God's light to the world.

### SHAWNEE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# **The Session**

Clerk of Session - Barbara Dickinson

<b>Class of 2020</b>	<b>Class of 2021</b>	<b>Class of 2022</b>	
Kevin Mays*	Karl McDannell	Pete Ferguson*	
Barbara Dickinson	Michelle Siptroth	Cathy Klingler*	
Gail Scott*	Linda Jennings*	Vince DellaFera*	

# The Deacons President - Christine McDannell

<b>Class of 2020</b>	<b>Class of 2021</b>	<b>Class of 2022</b>	
Christine McDannell	Steve Clemmons	Ginny Sodano*	
Sharon Murphy	Nancy Fish	Connie Meyer	
Debby Mays*	Stefan Poci	Diane Bowman*	

<sup>\*</sup>Eligible for a Second Term

# **Staff Members**

Custodian	•••••	Steve Walston
<b>Ministerial Assi</b>	stant	Lori Siegle
Music Director.		Midge McClosky

# Chairpersons: Please contact them about serving or helping.

Buildings and Grounds Committee - Lee Bower Cemetery Committee - Jon Kirkwood Christian Education Committee - Kate Kirkwood Church Life Committee - Maggie DellaFera Finance Committee – Cathy Klingler Financial Secretary - Lori Siegle Hostel Committee – Barbara Dickinson IT Committee - Steve Walston

Nominating Committee - Nancy Fish Personnel Committee - Michelle Siptroth Presbyterian Woman – Maggie DellaFera Radio Ministry – Vince DellaFera Sign Committee – Mike Sodano Stewardship Committee – Kevin Mays Treasurer – Pete Ferguson



# "Answer Hazy, Try Again Later!"

Rev. Darcy Hawk

10:00 AM November 15, 2020

Almighty God, we pray for your blessing upon your church. May all feel welcome. Here may the faithful find salvation, and the careless be awakened. Here may the doubting find faith, and the anxious be encouraged. Here may the tempted find help, and the sorrowful comfort. Here may the weary find renewal. Here may all find inspiration; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please speak and sing softly as we rejoice and worship today. Thank you for your cooperation and flexibility!

PRELUDE Olivia Gambill

CALL TO WORSHIP Luke 21:36

Leader: Be alert at all times, praying that you may stand before the

Son of Man..

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Olivia Gambill

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (responsive)

Psalm 143

**Invitation:** 

Leader: Let us pray not just for ourselves, but the whole body of Christ.

**Unison Prayer:** 

People: Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son.

## PERIOD OF SILENT PRAYER AND RELFECTION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you we are forgiven; freed to serve God who loves us.

\*GLORIA PATRI "Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, 'tis now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen."

#### SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Please see insert.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God.** 

MESSAGE: "Answer Hazy, Try Again Later!"

# \*APOSTLES' CREED (in unison -Traditional)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, STEWARDSHIP MOMENT, JOYS AND CONCERNS

#### PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

# \*THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison – Traditional)

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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

#### THE OFFERING and MUSIC MINISTRY

(Offering baskets are located at the rear of the sanctuary for your gifts and offerings.)

#### \*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE – "God Is So Good, God Answers Prayer"

(Outside in parking lot, weather permitting!)

#### \*POSTLUDE

\*Please stand if comfortable.

# SCRIPTURE LESSON November 15, 2020 "Answer Hazy, Try Again Later" 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

<sup>1</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! <sup>4</sup>But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; <sup>5</sup> for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; <sup>7</sup> for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

#### NOTES:


Welcome to Shawnee Presbyterian Church! If you are visiting with us for the first time, please sign the Guest Register located in the Narthex. We're glad you're joining us today!

**A.E.D.** An Automatic External Defibrillator (**A.E.D.**) is located across the street in the CE building to the right as soon as you walk in the front doors.

**Restrooms** are located across the street in the CE building.

**Cemetery Fees** – Single and Double Burial Plots as well as Single and Double Cremation Plots are available. For more information or to volunteer for our Cemetery Committee, call the Church Office.

**Children's Message/Sunday School during Church**: While we are in this season of covid-19 we are temporarily suspending the Children's message and gathering during Service, as well as in-person Sunday School.

**Food Pantry** – Here is a list of some items that are needed: canned fruit, pasta, mac and cheese, drink boxes, canned chicken, white and brown rice, salad dressing, noodles, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, and paper towels. Please contact Ginny Sodano (570-476-9393) if you can provide coupons, store gift cards or monetary donations for the Food Pantry. Thank you!

**New Contact Information – Rev. Hawk** has a new email address! You can reach him at *pastor@shawneepresbyterianchurch.com*. You can reach **the Church Office** at *info@shawneepresbyterianchurch.com*. Please update the contact information you have. Questions, please call the Church Office.

**Office locks** have been changed. If you require access to the Church Office please call 570-421-5518 to make arrangements. Please submit key requests to Rev. Hawk at pastor@shawneepresbyterianchurch.com, including why you need access. Thank you in advance for your patience with this process.

**Open Meeting Policy.** All are welcome to attend any meeting of organizations of our church. Meetings may be held in the CE building or via ZOOM. Next **Session Meeting** is scheduled for **Thursday**, **November 19, 7 PM**. If you are interested in participating, contact Barb Dickinson (Session) at 570-460-5754.

**Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort** welcomes everyone to **free concerts**, every Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm at the Shawnee Inn and Golf Resort in the Worthington Ballroom.

The Tree of Life Campaign was established to sustain the Church Building and the Life of the Shawnee Presbyterian Church. You may place a leaf in honor or in memory of a loved one and 100% of your proceeds will go into the Tree of Life Fund. Engraving is Free. Feel free to contact the Church Office for information regarding cost and details.

**Happy Birthday:** Jim Auriemma 11/1, Ken Siptroth 11/2, Annie DellaFera 11/4, Bill Scott 11/9, Debby Mays 11/10, Bob Holland 11/15, Sue Hickman 11/19, Linda Siptroth 11/23, Renee Salamone 11/24, Sharon Murphy 11/26, Mark Klingler 11/26, Henry Albert 11/27.

Prayer Concerns – Bartha Family, Tim Bowman, Vince DellaFera, Linda Jennings, Matthew, Lani, and Scarlett McDannell, Mary Resh, Kiki Pollack, Joshua Siegle, Brian Tompkins, the Wolbert Family. We pray for the peace of Christ for the whole world and people suffering because of violence. If you have a prayer request, please either provide information via a Prayer Card or email the Church Office at info@shawneepresbyterianchurch.com

**Bulletin Submissions** – If you have an item of interest or an event that you would like included in the weekly bulletin, please submit details (including date/time of the event, sponsoring committee or organization, details, details, details, and a contact name and phone number) to the Church Office at info@shawneepresbyterianchurch.com as soon as possible, but no later than the end of the day Wednesday, for potential publication on Sunday. Questions, call the office at 570-421-5518.

**Congregational Meeting – Today** immediately following Service. On the agenda: members may nominate and vote for new Church Officers, and approve changes to the current by-laws.

Stewardship Update – A gentle reminder to consider your 2021 pledge to the ministries of Shawnee Presbyterian Church, and return your pledge card prior to Thanksgiving. Over the next few weeks, friends and members will share as to why they believe in and support our church. Seventy pledge cards were mailed! Might it be possible to have at least 35 returned? Or even more? Thanks for your ongoing prayers. "When we work, we work. When we pray, God works!" *Mary and Tom Bartha* – 2021 Stewardship Co-Chairs

Per Capita Offering – Please submit your per capita offering (\$39.10 per person), as soon as you can. For those of you whom have already turned this in, thank you! We are required to submit this to The Lehigh Presbytery on an annual basis in support of the many forms of assistance they provide. Please be sure to designate this offering either in the memo field of your check, or by using the specially prepared blue offering envelope.

**Shawnee Presbyterian Women:** Contact Maggie at 570-460-3466 □ **ZOOM Meeting** − Friday, November 20, 2 PM.

- □ *Church Women United Christmas Stockings* We are collecting donations for this annual Christmas stocking project. \$10 fills a stocking. If you're interested in donating or helping in any way, see Maggie. Donations can be made up to Thanksgiving.
- □ *Shoe Drive* Shoes will be collected up to Thanksgiving weekend for the Shoe Drive sponsored by *Girls on the Run*. Drop your donations in the bins located in the Narthex or the back entrance of the CE building.
- □ *Weis Tapes* –Weis register tapes contribute to the largest fundraiser for Shawnee Presbyterian Women. Receipts must show the date of purchase and can be left in the narthex, in the baskets at both entrances of the CE building, or given to Maggie DellaFera.

Christmas Pageant – This year's socially distant, potentially digital, mask-wearing, covid-safe, maybe live, but maybe not, Christmas Pageant is looking for volunteers! If you're interested, please contact Midge McClosky at 917-873-5829 for what promises to be something completely different and tons of fun!