

Chimes
 Prelude “Come People of the Risen King”
 Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend/Arr. James Koerts
 Choral Introit (11:00) “Prayer for Mothers”
 Words: Kathy Burdett; Music: Donna Butler

Welcome Pastor Monica
 Announcements Jenny Bogart/Pastor Margie
 *Call to Worship Jenny Bogart/Pastor Margie
 One: This morning, God woke us and called us to this place.

Many: May we stand on the promises of God and depend on God’s faithfulness.

One: We are encouraged by the lives of the faithful disciples whom we walk with on this journey.

Many: May we live lives that showcase God’s faithfulness.

*Hymn “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” 140
 *Unison Prayer Jenny Bogart/Pastor Margie
God of comfort and compassion, through Jesus, your Son, you lead us to the water of life and table of your bounty. May we stand steady when the wave of doubt comes. Let your faithfulness and promises steady our steps, we pray, Amen.

Sharing Joys and Concerns Pastor Monica
 Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer Pastor Monica
 Special Music (8:30) “Broken Vessels” (Amazing Grace)
 Houston and Myrin

Choral Anthem (11:00) “Because He Lives!”
 Words: Gloria and William Gaither; Music: William Gaither
 Soloist: Gale Butz

Call to Offering Pastor Monica
 Offertory “Still, My Soul, Be Still”
 Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend/Arr. James Koerts
 *Presentation of Gifts “Doxology” 95
 *Prayer of Dedication Jenny Bogart/Pastor Margie
Steadfast God, your enduring love reminds us to stand steady in the face of doubt. May our offerings help to restore hope, feed the hungry, and care for the vulnerable. Guide us in living out our responsibility to one another and all creation, so that your kingdom of justice and peace may be made real. We pray this in the name of the Risen Christ. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Joshua 3:16b-4:10a Jenny Bogart/Pastor Margie
 New Testament Lesson 1 Thessalonians 2:7-13 Jenny Bogart/Pastor Margie
 Children’s Message “Caring and Comforting” Pastor Monica
 Praise Song “Come Into His Presence” Anonymous
 Sermon “Why We Must Go Now: Stand” Pastor Monica
 (I want my listeners to stand steady in the first step when the waves of doubt come.)

This Week’s Schedule

Today 8:30 & 11:00am Worship
 9:30am Choir Rehearsal
 9:45am Sunday School-Children through Adults
 2:00pm Soup Kitchen

Monday 10:00am Pastors Meeting

Tuesday 1:30pm Just Social Small Group
 6:30pm Property and Building Team Meeting

Wednesday 10:15am Bible Study
 11:15am Worship Planning
 12:00pm Open Sanctuary
 12:15pm Prayer on Wednesdays - Live on Facebook and in the Sanctuary
 1:00pm Choir Rehearsal
 6:00pm Cub Scouts
 7:00pm Giving and Funding Committee

Thursday 9:00am Normalizing Next
 St. Matthew’s UMC, Valley Forge, PA
 10:00am History Committee
 1:30pm Stitch & Pray Small Group
 3:00pm Choir Rehearsal
 7:00pm Scouts

Next Sunday 8:30 & 11:00am Worship
 9:30am Choir Rehearsal
 9:45am Sunday School-Children through Adults
 11:00am Retirement Celebration for Dave Lantz
 2:00pm Soup Kitchen

Prayer List - Joys and Concerns

Our Troops Todd Martin
 First Responders, EMT’s, Police Officers, Firefighters Prayer Mailboxes
Special Person of the Week: Janet Marsh, 1170 West Main Street, Room #121, Stroudsburg, PA 18360. Please remember her in prayer and if possible, please send a card.

*Hymn “Standing on the Promises” 374
 *Benediction and Sending Pastor Monica
 *Choral Benediction Response (11:00) “Give to the Wind Thy Fears”
 Words: Paul Gerhardt, Trans. John Wesley; Music: William H. Walter
 *Postlude “A Time for New Beginnings” Lani Smith

Bold Print = Say in unison.

SOUP KITCHEN Pitch in with your family or a few friends to serve our neighbors. Sign up to prepare and/or serve a meal for our neighbors with the soup kitchen. ***We are filling in the 2025 calendar. Please contact Jackie in the office with your interest and availability to serve.***

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED Items for Christmas Stockings - this month’s items are chapstick and hand cream. Please bring your donations in and place them in the bin located in the Fellowship Room near the Missions display. Thank you for your generosity!

PROJECT FOR PENTECOST Do you speak a language in addition to English? We are looking for volunteers to work with us on a project for Pentecost Sunday (June 8th). If you are interested, please let the office know. We are preparing for the coming of the Holy Spirit and many languages!

VBS is coming! June 23rd through June 27th, 5:30pm-8:00pm. Registration is now open <https://forms.gle/JY1Ki5QjHC3K8G179> Please share with your friends and neighbors. Volunteers - register here: <https://forms.gle/9kYrizPkCiASyK46>

PARENTS’ DAY BOOKLETS - Forms are in the back of the sanctuary and in the Fellowship Room. Names will be taken until June 15th. \$2.00 per name. Booklets will be available on June 22nd.

WINNER WINNER CHICKEN DINNER Saturday, June 14th, 5pm. \$15.00 per person - 1/2 BBQ chicken, potato salad, cornbread, dessert, lemonade. Eat in or take out! Advance orders only, limit of 50 dinners. Please reserve by June 8th. All proceeds benefit Missions projects within our church. Want to help out? Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4AAFA62CA7FD0-56734876-stroudsburg>

THE HANDBELL CHOIR HAS STARTED UP AGAIN! Rehearsals will be held Monday evenings from 6pm-7pm in the classroom above the Fellowship Room - Room #305. Anyone from age 10 and up is welcome - no experience necessary! **Note: There will be no rehearsal on Monday, May 12th.**

GRADUATION Graduation Day is coming for many in seminaries, colleges, universities, high schools and trade schools. Is someone in your family graduating? If so, share the information with the office so we can celebrate with you in worship. We will plan to do so on May 25th.

Connection Card
Welcome Members & Visitors!
Please let us know how we can help each other this week:

Name _____

Address _____

Email/Phone _____

Prayer requests, needs, comments:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good morning! Check in on Facebook! [Facebook.com/StroudsburgUMC](https://www.facebook.com/StroudsburgUMC)

Whether you are visiting with us or you are a member, WELCOME! Please fill out the "Connection Card" in your bulletin today and place it in the offering plate. Help yourself to a copy of our weekly eNews in the back of the sanctuary. We are glad that you are here today!

Today, we welcome our District Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Hun Ju Lee, in worship at 11:00 am. The district superintendent is an ordained elder appointed by a bishop to oversee the pastors and local churches in a district. The superintendent carries a wide range of responsibilities for the local churches in the district and for the Annual Conference as a whole. Primary responsibilities relate to overseeing the work of the local churches, including presiding at Charge Conferences, supervising the work of the pastors, and participating with the bishop in the making of appointments. Dr. Lee is the District Superintendent of the Great North District.

SERVING YOU TODAY:

Head Ushers: DeAnn Harris, Buddy Rambo, Soundboard: Jackie Herrero, Alisabeth Guepet; Camera: Alex Herrero, Adelle Kopec; Streaming: Kevin Kopec,

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS ARE 8:30 Jenny Bogart and 11:00 Pastor Margie

THE WHITE BANNER hangs in memory of William Dildine, given by the Dildine family.

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION FOR DAVE LANTZ Dave Lantz was our choir director for many years. We will recognize him and his retirement next Sunday, May 18th, at the 11:00 am service. Mark your calendar to join us for worship, which will include musical pieces by our choir of his composition, recognition, and a fellowship time to follow. A card for your gratitude and blessings is in the Fellowship Room. Please plan to join us next Sunday for his recognition and the following fellowship time.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE: Tuesday, May 20th - Thursday, May 22nd, our Eastern Pennsylvania Annual Conference will hold its Annual Conference in Wildwood, New Jersey. The Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of the United Methodist Church comprises nearly 400 churches, serving over 80,000 members in 16 counties. Pastor Monica, Jeanette Kuhns, Carmen O'Shea, and Madison O'Shea will represent our congregation as clergy, lay, and equalizing delegates. If you have pastoral needs during that time, please get in touch with the office or Pastor Margie.

Would you like to receive our weekly eNews?

Email address _____

How did you learn about our church?

Friend/Family Internet/Website

Other _____

What I/we look for in a church _____

Please circle your age group: 18-23 24-35 36-49 50-64 65+

We cordially welcome each visitor, member and friend to our Stroudsburg United Methodist Church. We pray that God will touch your life through the worship and fellowship we share. If you would like to make Stroudsburg United Methodist YOUR church, please mention your interest to the Pastor at the end of the service.

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CHURCH STAFF:

Lead Pastor	The Rev. Monica B. Guepet, M. Div.
Pastor of Visitation	Pastor Margie Good, M. Ed.
Church Secretary	Jackie Herrero
Choir Director	Aram Tchobanian
Organist	Marti Lantz
Youth Leader	Downtown Youth Initiative
Custodian	Gina Cristi

CHURCH LEADERS:

Daniel's Dream Team	Chairperson, Jenny Bogart
Worship	Chairperson, Pastor Monica Guepet
Giving and Funding Committee	Chairperson, C. J. Penwell
Property & Building	Chairperson, Kay Bucci
Staff Parish Relations Committee	Chairperson, Buddy Rambo
Missions	Chairperson, Amanda Miller
Membership & Evangelism	Chairperson, Peggy Stewart
Co-Lay Leaders	Jeanette Kuhns, Jeremy Miller

*Church Office Hours - Monday-Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm;
Friday 9:00am-3:00pm*

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Giving is easier than ever. Use this QR code to give to the general fund or special ministry. Contact the office for more information.



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The Worship of God
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Share the love of Jesus in
welcoming & compassionate ways.