



Stroudsburg UMC Gather, Grow, Make a Difference!

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Gather!

For this Sunday, May 1 -
It's Communion Sunday.

Our worship leaders are Jenny & Kim.

The choir anthem is "Given for You."

Krista will perform "Come, Now Is the Time to Worship" virtually at 8:30.

The praise song is "10,000 Reasons"

The New Testament Lesson is Revelation 5:11-14.

The Gospel Lesson is "John 21:1-19.

Pastor Monica's sermon this Sunday is "What Holds Us Together - Fishing Lines and Nets.

When was the last time you went fishing? Did you catch anything? The disciples were out fishing all night. Regular fishers that they were, imagine their surprise when they caught nothing, Then they heard a voice telling to change their approach. Join us on Sunday as we listen for the voice of God that sometimes calls us to change our approach.

Join us in person at 8:30 or 11:00 or -

Join us live at 8:30 am:

<https://youtu.be/Dj10tmmXcx0>

Join us live at 11:00 am:

<https://youtu.be/oflc7dX1ZUI>

The bulletin is available on the church website: stroudsburgumc.com

United Methodists Stand with Ukraine

United Methodists across the globe are condemning the Russian invasion of Ukraine. As Christians "we believe war is incompatible with the teachings and example of Christ. We therefore reject war as an instrument of national foreign policy." (2016 Book of Discipline, Social Principles ¶165.C). We also know our God stands with the oppressed and calls on us to support them. United Methodists and others wishing to provide humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian people in the wake of the Russian invasion of their country may contribute to **Advance #982450**, UMCOR International Disaster Response and Recovery. This fund will provide direct assistance to those in Ukraine as well as assistance to Ukrainians fleeing to neighboring countries. Many from our congregation have already given to UMCOR to support Ukraine. One hundred percent of all Advance contributions go to the designated cause. We give thanks to God for the generous hearts of our community of faith as well as the faithfulness of UMCOR who is already on the ground serving.

Thank You from Our Shut-Ins

Our shut ins are so grateful for all of the Easter and thinking of you cards; they feel so loved to know that they are still remembered by their church family. The various mailings from the church are also appreciated so much. Thank you to all you caring people and your card ministries.

Stroudsburg UMC's Custodian

performs a variety of cleaning and maintenance tasks to provide a safe, attractive, comfortable, clean and efficient environment for the ministry of the congregation. We seek a dependable individual with the ability to work independently to care for our building and grounds, provide general custodial services and prepare the building and individual rooms for weekly services. This is a part-time position (25 hours per week). Salary commensurate with experience and skill set. To apply, email your resume to sumc@stroudsburgumc.com. A background check will be required before any offer of employment per our Safe Sanctuary Policy. Resumes are due Friday, May 13, with a target start date of May 23.

Youth Group

Join us on the first and third Sundays in the Youth Room - 2:00pm-3:30pm. All youth in 7th - 12th grade are welcome to come.

PrayerGround

We have recently developed a prayerground in our sanctuary. PrayerGrounds are an act of Christian hospitality, invitational, and deeply open and affirming of our youngest church participants. Watch this space for different items to appear to support our children with their parents, guardians, and loved ones as we worship together.

Summer Camp at Pocono Plateau & Gretna Glen

Do you have children or youth in your life who could benefit from summer camp through Pocono Plateau or Gretna Glen? We have camperships and would love to help make sure they can go. Contact the office for more information. Watch the video here: [2022 EPA Camp and Retreat Ministry Promo_v3_1m50s.mp4 - Google Drive](#)

Pocono Plateau Hiring a Food Service and Hospitality Manager

Please see the job description attached to apply or share with someone who might be interested. [Pocono Plateau Food Service and Hospitality Manager](#)

VBS Update -

Sign up to help with VBS! June 20-June 24, 5:30pm-8:00pm. We are working with other churches to share God's wonders. Come and join us!

Pocono United Methodist Academy – PUMA

Want to keep up with what is going on with our Pocono United Methodist Academy? Like the PUMA page on Facebook for the most up-to-date information. [Facebook.com/PUMApocounumc](https://www.facebook.com/PUMApocounumc)

Subscribe to the SUMC YouTube Channel

Don't forget to subscribe to the SUMC YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMwaoyy6Ox2d8cGlrQes0Qw> so you don't miss a thing! Contact the church office if you need assistance.

Children's Bulletins Available

There are children's bulletins available each Sunday at the back of the sanctuary.

Weekly Offering

You can send your weekly offering to the church electronically using PayPal or a credit/debit card. Visit the church website at stroudsburgumc.com and click on "Donate." You can also mail your offering to the church – SUMC, 547 Main Street, Stroudsburg, PA 18360, or you can have the church set up as a vendor through your bank account and have your offering check sent directly to the church. Any questions, please contact the church office. Thank you!

Weekly Bulletin

The weekly bulletin is available on the church website:
<https://www.stroudsburgumc.com/>

Weekly sermons at SUMC

Do you enjoy listening to the weekly sermons here at SUMC? Would you like to listen to them even when you are on vacation or out of town? Well, we do have all the sermons available for you to listen to and they are typically posted to our church website each Sunday.

Our Special Person of the Week:

Doris Philips, 1170 West Main Street, Room 257, Stroudsburg, PA 18360. Please remember her in prayer and if possible, please send a card.

Sanctuary Open for Prayer

Did you know we open the sanctuary every Wednesday from noon – 1:00 pm? This commitment to worship and prayer has manifest into weekly prayer time at 12:15pm on Facebook Live with Pastor Monica. If you are available, you can jump on and pray along. Comment on the post and include your requests in the prayer. If you are not available at that time, use it as a devotion and pray later. Help us keep our commitment to being a house and people of prayer.

Prayer Chain Email and Phone List

Please contact the office if you would like to be included to receive either the email or phone prayer chain.

Grow!

Bible Study

Join us on Wednesdays at 10:15 in the Lounge and on Zoom. All are welcome. We are studying the book of Mark. Mark was the first gospel written, quickly after the death of Jesus. Why did Jesus insist that the disciples keep everything a secret? Join us to find out.
Contact the office for Zoom information and the syllabus.

Library Books

Check out this new book available in our church library in the Lounge - The World is Awake: A Celebration of Everyday Blessing by Linsey Davis - This book explores Psalm 118 through the eyes of siblings. This is the day that

the Lord has made - we will rejoice and be glad in it! As you turn the pages and drink in the illustrations, you will find joy in the day as well.

Knitting and Crocheting Retreat at Pocono Plateau

Friday, 9/23 (7pm) - Sunday, 9/25 (1pm). A knitting and crocheting retreat for those just learning to those who are advanced. The retreat will include knitting and crocheting classes, Bible reflections, fellowship, boating, hiking and time to enjoy God's creation. A few folks in our congregation have already signed up. Contact the office if you are interested.

Make a Difference!

Give to a Mission

A variety of missions are supported in our church. You can make a difference both locally and around the world by giving to these missions. A list of missions we support is posted in the Fellowship Room. You can also suggest a new mission that interests you by providing the name and address of the mission, as well as some details about what the particular mission does. Thank you for your continued support! If you have any questions, please contact the office.

Mother's Day Booklets

Forms for the Mother's Day booklets are available in the back of the sanctuary and on the church website. You may also call the office. [Mother's Day Booklet](#) Please submit names by May 1st. Booklets will be available on Mother's Day, May 8th.

PathWalk 2022

This year's PathWalk will be held on Sunday, May 1, 12:30pm-1:30pm in Courthouse Square in Stroudsburg. Registration forms and flyers with all details are in the back of the sanctuary.

Weis Receipts

Please save your Weis grocery receipts and bring them to the church. There is a large coffee can in the Fellowship Room where you can place your receipts. The church earns 1% of the total amount on each receipt. ***Within the past two months, we have received a total of \$373.74 from Weis receipts!***

Please note: the entire receipt needs to be submitted in order for us to earn the 1% of the total. Please do not cut the bottom off of the receipt; Weis needs that information in order to process the credit. Receipts for gift cards purchased and prescription medications can be submitted, too. Any questions, please contact the office. Thank you!

Soup Kitchen

Our Soup Kitchen is a vital ministry feeding our neighbors every Sunday. Over the last 25 months, we have been serving our Soup Kitchen guests take-out meals to ensure nutritious meals and food stability remains a vital part of our community. We are now serving sit down meals inside from 2:00 - 3:00 pm in the Soup Kitchen for our guests. We look forward to welcoming back our guests as it has been one of the most frequently asked questions. We are always looking for additional volunteers to prepare and serve the meals. Please contact the church office if you are interested - 570-421-6020.

Amazon Smile

You make a difference! Between October 1 and December 31, 2021, we

received \$53.85 as a result of qualifying purchases made by you and others who have selected our church when making purchases at Amazon.com. Over time, Amazon has given \$347.94 to Stroudsburg UMC. How can you sign up? Go to smile.amazon.com and select Stroudsburg UMC as your charity. Thank you for making a difference!

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