Chimes
Prelude "Higher Ground"
Words by Charles Gabriel/ Arr. Mark Hayes
Choral Introit (11:00) "'Down by the Jordan"
Words: Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, Music: Love Den Herren
Welcome Pastor Monica
Announcements Diane Rogell/ Pastor Margie Good
*Call to Worship Diane Rogell/Pastor Margie Good
One: Come! Let us follow Jesus to the edge of the Jordan River to be baptized.
Many: We come to be cleansed and made whole.
One: Come! Let us hear God declare the truth of Jesus' identity and the truth of our identity as baptized people.
Many: We come to remember and embody who we are as beloved children of God.
One: Come! Let us worship God who leads us into the baptismal waters and salvation.
Many: We come to worship God who empowers us through divine presence to live together as the family of God.
*Hymn "Wash O God, Our Sons and Daughters" UMH 605
***Unison Prayer** Diane Rogell/Pastor Margie Good
Eternal God, at the baptism of Jesus, you revealed him to be your Son, and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful to their calling as your people; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.
Sharing Joy and Concerns Pastor Monica
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer Pastor Monica
Special Music (8:30) "Covenant Prayer"
"john Wesley/Jay D. Locklear and Adam Seate
Duet by Aram Tchobanian and Marti Lantz
Choral Anthem (11:00) "Covenant Prayer"
Words: John Wesley; Music: Jay D. Locklear and Adam Seate
Call to Offering Pastor Monica
Offertory "Great is thy Faithfulness"
Lani Smith (Tune: Lobt Gott)
*Presentation of Gifts "Doxology" 95
***Prayer of Dedication** Diane Rogell/Pastor Margie Good
Glorious God, you set Jesus apart as a beloved. You call us your children. As we offer these gifts, bless and multiply them as we laugh, worship, and love, we pray, Amen.
Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 42:1-9 Diane Rogell/Pastor Margie Good
*Gospel Lesson Matthew 3:13-17 Diane Rogell/Pastor Margie Good
Children's Message Pastor Monica
Sermon *"Learn to Know Whose Child You Are "* Pastor Monica
(I want my listeners to know whose they are. As children of God, we laugh, worship, and love God.)

This Week's Schedule

Today	8:30 & 11:00am	Worship
	9:45am	Choir Rehearsal
	9:45am	Sunday School-Children through Adults
	2:00pm	Soup Kitchen
Monday	9:00am	Counters-Lounge
	10:00am	Pastors Meeting
	6:00pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
	6:30pm	UMC 101 Types of Prayer - What Can I Say and Do
Tuesday	9:00 am	Stroudsburg Downtown Business Association (St. John's ELCA)
	1:30pm	Just Social
	6:30 pm	Property and Building Team Meeting
Wednesday	10:00am	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
	6:00pm	Lay Leadership Meeting
	7:30pm	Giving and Funding Committee Meeting
Thursday	10:00am	History Committee
	1:30pm	Stitch & Pray
	3:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
	6:00pm	CRCRC Planning Meeting on Zoom
	7:00pm	Scouts
Friday	7:30pm	N.A
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Next Sunday	8:30 & 11:00am	Worship
	9:45am	Choir Rehearsal
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Prayer List - Joys and Concerns

Our Troops Todd Martin
First Responders, EMT's, Police Officers, Firefighters, Sharon Cottle, Ron VanWhy
Prayer Mailboxes
Special Person of the Week: Eva Haddon, c/o Whitehall Manor, 1177 6th Street, Unit B12, Whitehall Township, PA 10852. Please remember her in prayer and if possible, please send a card.

Praise Song "Love Lifted Me" James Row and Howard E. Smith
* Renewal of Baptismal Vows Pastor Monica
*Hymn "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise" UMH 611
*Benediction and Sending Pastor Monica
*Choral Benediction Response (11:00) "Water, Spirit, River, Grace"
Words: Thomas H. Troeger; Music: O.I. Cricket Harrison
*Postlude "Sing to the Great Jehovah's Praise"
Lani Smith (Tune: Lobt Gott)
*Rise in body or in spirit.
Bold Print = Say in unison.

SOUP KITCHEN 2026 We have started filling in the Soup Kitchen 2026 calendar. Please let the office know of your interest to help feed our neighbors. To date we have served over 3,700 meals. **We are in need of volunteers for January 18.** Please contact the office if you would like to assist our neighbors.

WINTER WEATHER Wondering about winter weather and snow? How will you know if the worship service is canceled? Announcements will be posted by 7am on the Sunday morning regarding worship. You can check your emails for cancellation or the church Facebook page. Feel free to share the news with others as well. Our congregation comes from a large geographic area. The weather in town might be different from the accumulation or the road conditions in Tobyhanna, Analomink or even East Stroudsburg. Please use your best discretion for travel. If there is a service, you can worship online.

ALTAR FLOWERS the 2026 altar flower chart is up in the Fellowship Room. Please consider putting flowers on the altar in honor of or in memory of a special person or event. Two vases cost $37.50.

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:

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good morning! Check in on Facebook! 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!

SERVING YOU TODAY:
Head Ushers: DeAnn Harris, CJ Penwell, Soundboard: Jacki Herrero, Alisabeth Guepet, and Peter Guepet; Camera: Alex Herrero, Felicity Guepet; Streaming: Alex Herrero, Kevin Kopec

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS ARE 8:30 Diane Rogell and 11:00 Pastor Margie Good

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

2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the Fellowship Room. Please pick up your box after worship today.

END OF YEAR STATEMENTS will be mailed later this month.

COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR Sunday, January 25th, after the 11 o'clock worship service. Bring questions and curiosities. If you are interested in joining the church or would like more information.

PRAYER COURSE We started our year-long study of prayer in September. The next class is on January 12th at 6:30 pm. If you are interested in prayer, you are welcome to join us for any of the sessions or simply drop by for one. Each session is on a Monday at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Room. This session focuses on what I can say and do! Mark your calendar for April 27th and June 29th as well. No advance work needed.

MISSIONS SOUPER BOWL SOUP SALE Our Missions Team will be selling soup again this year. Order forms are in the back of the sanctuary and in the Fellowship Room by the Missions display. We will be selling Ham and Potato and Cheddar Broccoli. All soups are $10 per quart, and all proceeds benefit Missions projects in our church. Orders and payment are due by January 25th. Pick up will be on February 8th. If paying by check, please note "Souper Bowl" in the memo. If paying by cash, please note on an envelope "Souper Bowl". If you have any questions, please see Amanda Miller or contact the office.

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 _____

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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	Ashley Emerson
Choir Director	Aram Tchobanian
Organist	Marti Lantz
Custodian	Robert Medina

CHURCH LEADERS:

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

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

Facebook.com/Stroudsburg UMC **Instagram: stroudsburgumc**

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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