Chimes (8:30)

Handbell Choir (11:00) "Amazing Grace!"
Trad. Appalachian tune, arr. Lloyd Larson

Prelude "The Light of the World is Jesus"
Philip Bliss/Arr. Mark Hayes

Choral Introit (11:00) "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"
(UMH#349) words & music: Helen H Lemmel

Welcome — Pastor Monica

Announcements — Jenny Bogart/ Jeanette Kuhns

*Call to Worship — Jenny Bogart/ Jeanette Kuhns

One: Wherever you come from,
Many: The love of Jesus calls us together!
One: Our worship strengthens us and empowers us to share the love of Jesus.
Many: The love of Jesus is at work in our lives!

*Hymn "Where He Leads Me" UMH 338

*Unison Prayer — Jenny Bogart/ Jeanette Kuhns

Almighty God, your son, Jesus, has shown us how to love one another. May our love for you overflow into joyous service and be a healing witness to our neighbors through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Special Music (8:30) "The Love of Christ"
Duet by Aram Tchobanian and Marti Lantz
words by Marti Lunn Lantz/Arr. David Lantz III

Sharing of Joys and Concerns — Pastor Monica

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer — Pastor Monica

Praise Song "Jesus is a Rock in a Wary Land"
African American Spiritual

Third Quarter Update from Giving and Funding — C.J. Penwell

Call to Offering — Pastor Monica

Offertory "O, How I Love Jesus" (8:30)
Frederick Whitfield/ Arr. Carol Tornquist
"The Love of Christ" (11:00)
Duet by Aram Tchobanian and Marti Lantz
words by Marti Lunn Lantz/Arr. David Lantz III

*Presentation of Gifts "Doxology" UMH 95

*Prayer of Dedication — Jenny Bogart/ Jeanette Kuhns

Loving God, you call us not only to believe the gospel, but to live it.Receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude and our willingness to embody the good news of Christ. Use what we offer to nurture communities of compassion, where faith is lived gently, courageously, and with humility. May our witness —like Paul's—be rooted not in pride or gain, but in love that gives itself freely for others. Amen.

New Testament Lesson 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Jenny Bogart/ Jeanette Kuhns

*Gospel Lesson Matthew 22:34-46 Jenny Bogart/ Jeanette Kuhns

Children's Message — Pastor Monica

Choral Anthem (11:00) "Blessed Be the Name"
words: Charles Wesley; music: Ralph E. Hudson; arr. Patti Drennan

Sermon "Lives Committed to Jesus" Pastor Monica

This Week's Schedule

Today	8:30 & 11:00am	Worship - Sanctuary
	9:45am	Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
	9:45am	Sunday School - Sunday School Rooms
	9:45am	How to Use Raise Right App - Fellowship Hall
	2:00pm	Soup Kitchen - Downstairs
	6:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Dining Room
Monday	9:00am	Counters - Lounge
	10:00am	Pastors Meeting - Conference Room
	1:30pm	Aram, Private Lessons - Choir Room
	6:00pm	Handbell Choir Rehearsal - Room 305
Tuesday	1:30pm	Just Social - Lounge
	2:00pm	Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
	4:30pm	Aram, Private Lessons - Choir Room
Wednesday	10:00am	Bible Study - Lounge
	11:15am	Worship Planning - Conference Room
	12:00pm	Open Sanctuary - Sanctuary
	12:15pm	Prayer on Wednesdays - Live on Facebook & Sanctuary
	1:30pm	Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
	6:00pm	Scout Pack - Downstairs, Fellowship Room, Children's Sunday School Room, Youth Room
Thursday	10:00am	Archives Meeting - Archives Room
	4:00pm	Aram- Private Lessons
	6:30pm	The Language of God Book Study - Lounge
	7:00 pm	Troop 86 - Downstairs
Friday	7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous, (N.A) - Dining Room
Saturday	3:00pm	Spooky Stroudsburg - Candy Hand Out on Main Street
Next Sunday	8:30 & 11:00am	Worship - Sanctuary
	9:45am	Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
	9:45am	Sunday School - Sunday School Rooms
	1:00pm	Veterans' Parade - Main Street
	2:00pm	Soup Kitchen - Downstairs
	6:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Dining Room

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Invitation to Christian Discipleship — Pastor Monica

*Hymn "Blessed Assurance" UMH 369

*Benediction and Sending — Pastor Monica

*Choral Benediction(11:00) "Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace"
(UMH 668) New Mexican folk song, adapt. by Lee Hastings Bristol

*Postlude "Toccata" John Lee

*Rise in body or in spirit.
Bold Print = Say in unison

PRAYER LIST- JOYS AND CONCERNS: Our Troops, Todd Martin, Prayer Mailboxes, Ryan DeHaven, First Responders, EMT's, Police Officers, Firefighters

SPECIAL PERSON OF THE WEEK: Kathy Blackburne, 537 Barry Street, Stroudsburg, PA 18360

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.

ATTENDANCE PADS: Sign in and let us know you were here. You can also make a note of your prayer requests or other information you would like the office to know, like a new email address or number. Would you like the pastor to call? Note it here. Thanks for helping us as we gather, grow and make a difference together.

WANT TO HELP THE CHURCH? Sign up for the Raise Right app or purchase grocery gift cards to Giant, Weis, or ShopRite after both services. Call the office with questions or to reserve cards if you wouldn't be in service.

PDF - PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND: Thanks to your generosity, we have already assisted dozens of families with rent, utilities, food, and other essential needs. With changes to federal, state, and county funding, we are seeing an increase in the number of people seeking assistance. While we work with other agencies, the impact of funding shortages is affecting a lot of organizations. If you are able to contribute to our pastor's discretionary fund at any point and any amount, please place your contribution in the offering plate with the designation. You can also give on our website stroudsburgumc.com/donate Thank you for helping us care for others.

USHERS ARE NEEDED: Ushers are needed for the 11:00AM Sunday Worship Service. If you are available on a regular basis or once in a while, please contact the church office. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

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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Would you like us to contact you about this: Yes No

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good morning! Check in on Facebook! Facebook.com/StroudsburgUMC
Member and guests: WELCOME! Please fill out the "Connection Card" in your bulletin 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: Jackie Herrero, Felicity Guepet, Peter Guepet; Camera: Alex Herrero; Adelle Kopec
Streaming: Alex Herrero, Bella Kopec

TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS ARE: 8:30: Jenny Bogart, 11:00: Jeanette Kuhns

THE GREEN BANNER hangs in memory of May Singer given by Ray and Alice Singer.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are presented in honor of Pastor Monica and Pastor Margie by Kay Bucci.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS: For October: Tooth brushes (single pack) and small sized toothpaste. Bring donations to the bin in the Fellowship Room. Our stockings are distributed in December to groups, including nursing homes, PATH, Street2Feet, Salvation Army, and Meals on Wheels. Thanks!

CHARGE CONFERENCE: Mark your calendar for our Charge Conference on November 8th at 1:00 pm. We will have lunch after the 11:00 service, and everyone is welcome to attend the Charge Conference. Our Charge Conference is the annual meeting of our church. Members are eligible to vote when appropriate.

WRESTLING WITH DOUBT: Finding Faith. Everyone has doubts. Where is God when bad things happen? Does God hear our prayers? Is there a heaven? How can we know? Often we treat such questions as the enemy of faith. But uncertainty doesn't mean our belief is lacking. Doubt can be a path to a deeper, richer encounter with God. This quarterly class is designed so that you can attend just one session if you cannot attend the others. Mark your calendars for December 14th, April 5th, and June 28th, all at 7:00 pm.

PAINT THE TOWN RED: Are you looking to remember or honor someone special, or to make the town beautiful at Christmas? Our 3rd annual Paint the Town Red campaign is back! You can purchase a red ribbon to hang in town. $25 for a bow, $35 to add a dedication. Pick up a form in the office or dedicate online through the SUMC website. Proceeds benefit our local food pantries.

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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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.

CHURCH STAFF:

Lead Pastor	The Rev. Monica B. Guepet, M. Div.
Pastor of Visitation	Pastor Margie Good, M. Ed.
Church Secretary	Emily Stewart
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	Chairperson, Vin Zelizo
Lay Leadership	Chairperson, Rev. Monica Guepet
Missions	Chairperson, Amanda Miller
Membership & Evangelism	Chairperson, Peggy Stewart
History Committee	Chairperson, B.J. Bachman
Co-Lay Leaders	Jeanette Kuhns, Jeremy Miller
Handbell Choir Director	Gale Butz

Church Office Hours - Monday - Thursday, 9:00am-3:00pm

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Please email the office at office@stroudsburgumc.com

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