

Easter Sunday - Sunrise at 7:00 am in the courtyard,
8:30 and 11:00 am in the sanctuary.

SERVING YOU TODAY:

Head Ushers: DeAnn Harris, CJ Penwell, Soundboard and PowerPoint: Felicity
and Peter Guepet, Camera: Alex Herrero, Streaming: Alex Herrero

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	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

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*Stroudsburg United Methodist Church
Stroudsburg, PA
The Worship of God
Holy Saturday
April 4, 2026 5:30 pm*



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Our Mission

Share the love of Jesus in
welcoming & compassionate ways.

Chimes
Prelude "My Jesus, I Love Thee/I Love You Lord"
Arr. Susan Naylor Callaway

Choral Introit "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say", v.1
words: Horatius Bonar; music: Trad. English folk tune,
arr. Ralph Vaughan William

Welcome Pastor Monica
*Call to Worship Jackie Herrero

One: Come. Open your hearts. Wait for the Lord.
Many: We cling to the promises of God.
One: We walk with Jesus in hope.
Many: We will wait and pray.

*Hymn "O Master Let Me Walk with Thee" 430
*Unison Prayer Jackie Herrero
Christ our God, your love is poured out in death for our sakes. Hold us in your embrace as we wait for Easter's dawn. Comfort us with the promise that no power on earth, not even death itself, can separate us from your love; and strengthen us to wait until you are revealed to us in all your risen glory. Amen.

***Statement of Faith #883** Jackie Herrero
Intercessory Prayer: Pastor Monica
Let us pray:
In the hush of the tomb, we remember those who mourn.
Silent prayer
In the hush of the tomb, we pray for those neglected and rejected.
Silent prayer
In the hush of the tomb, we lift up those cast down by dismissive glances, harsh words, and violent actions.
Silent prayer
In the hush of the tomb, we come with those who wait for life surrounded by death.
Silent prayer
May the hush of the tomb, the quiet of the waiting, and the awe of Jesus' poured-out love form us into midwives of life in the midst of death. Amen.
The Lord's Prayer Pastor Monica

Special Music "Journey to the Cross" Tim Light and Don Chapman
Call to Offering Pastor Monica
Offertory "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"
Arr.: Heather Sorenson
*Presentation of Gifts "Doxology" 95
*Offertory Prayer Jackie Herrero

God of the silence and the waiting: between the cross and the empty tomb, we travel this day when we remember the foolishness of the world. Those in power thought that death, a tomb, a stone, and some soldiers could end a story that you had started. We worship and offer our gifts in the deepest conviction that your story did not end sealed in a tomb. For two thousand years, the story still will not end, will not be sealed and finished once and for all. The story continues. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 31: 1-4, 15-16 Jackie Herrero
*Gospel Lesson Matthew 27:57-66 Pastor Monica
Choral Anthem "Are Ye Able"
Words: Earl Marlatt; Music: Harry S. Mason

Children's Message "Stuck Together" Pastor Monica
Meditation "Soldering" Pastor Monica
(I want my listeners to be joined with Christ.)

*Hymn "Thou Hidden Love of God" (Verses 1, 3 and 4) 396
Old Testament Lesson Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 Jackie Herrero
Blessing of Anointing Oil Pastor Monica
Anointing for Healing and Wholeness Pastor Monica
*Hymn *Hymn O Jesus I Have Promised" 396
*Benediction and Sending Pastor Monica
*Choral Benediction Response "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say, v.3"
Words: Horatius Bonar; music: Trad. English folk tune, arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams
Postlude "Adante Religioso" Felix Mendelssohn
*Rise in body or in spirit.
Bold Print = Say in unison.