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Gather

Sunday, July 5, 2020

This Sunday, we welcome Pastor Monica Guepet and her family! The scripture readings will be Genesis 12:1-7 and Matthew 10:40-42. Pastor Monica's sermon title is "On a Journey." It's Communion Sunday and we will also have a Celebration of New Appointment during worship.

Join us live at 8:30am: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3yvYjKtcvPQnPdulQKaqJA/live

Pre-Packaged Communion Cups are Available

This Sunday is Communion Sunday. Pastor Monica would like to give everyone the opportunity to partake in communion, whether you are attending worship in person or joining us virtually. There are pre-packaged communion cups available in the small kitchen. Please feel free to help yourself and join us on Sunday!

Name Tags

In order for Pastor Monica to get to know our names (and faces!), please remember to wear your name tag during worship on Sundays. If you are in need of a new name tag, please write your name on the sheet located in the back of the sanctuary or call me in the church office. Thank you!

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 now available on the church website: stroudsburgumc.com

Membership & Evangelism We Are Our Brothers' Keepers

During these difficult times, we realize that some of us may be finding it hard to get enough food and other necessary provisions. We are committed to seeing that these basic needs are met. If anyone is running low on food, drinks, or paper products, we are here to assist. Please don't hesitate to reach out. You may call Brenda Rambo at 570-872-4181 or email Jackie. All requests are confidential.

Helping Hands Ministry

Volunteers are needed! The Helping Hands Ministry exists to utilize our God given gifts and talents to assist member of the body of Christ. We grow together in Christ's love by helping each other and just by being there for each other in times of need. Please contact the church office or speak with Cathy Doane if you would like to volunteer. The areas of service where assistance is needed are: Making meals, grocery shopping, making phone calls, praying, visiting, giving rides, light housekeeping and responding to emergencies. If you are in need of assistance from the Helping Hands Ministry, please contact the church office. Thank you!

2020 Mission Trip

The Mission Trip for this year has been canceled. Local work projects are being planned for the first week in August. We will be fixing, cleaning, doing some small repairs and doing yard work. Volunteers are needed. If you can help out with any part of the week or all week, please call the church office. Thank you!

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:

Rosemary Levy, 1644 North Fifth Street, Stroudsburg, PA 18360. Please remember her in prayer and if possible, please send a card.

Sanctuary Open for Prayer

The church sanctuary is open to the public for prayer and/or quiet reflection on Wednesdays from noon to 1 pm. You are invited to take advantage of this time if you are in town during the week, and please let your friends know also. Years ago churches were open during the week for anyone to wander in to pray, however now, because of safety concerns, most churches stay locked. We would like the community to know we are an active and "alive" church and offer this opportunity to anyone who needs a quiet space, even if it is only for one hour a week. Please share with your friends and family.

Prayer Chain Email and Phone List

If you would like to be part of either the email or phone prayer chain list, please contact me in the church office. Jackie

Grow!

Small Groups

Do you belong to a Small Group? If not, you really should seriously consider doing so. There are a variety of opportunities available which you can see on our website. You will be able to see a brief description of each Small Group, view when and where they meet, and see if there are openings to join the groups. Check out our active Small Groups and consider joining one of them. Alternatively, do you have a passion or interest? Then maybe you can start a brand new Small Group. Contact Pastor Monica if interested.

Stitch & Pray Small Group

This group is for beginner and experienced knitters and crocheters. The compassion and love of knitting and crocheting have been combined into a prayerful ministry which reaches out to those in need of comfort and solace, as well as in celebration and joy through prayer shawls. We welcome all levels of experience from beginner to those wanting to increase their knowledge or to share their expertise with others while experiencing the companionship of a small group. No materials are required. Current members will share their equipment. Contact the church office if you are interested.

Mostly Mondays Small Group

We study various books of the Bible and learn about the character of God. We meet Mondays at 6:30pm in the church Lounge. Any women interested in joining please contact Peggy Stewart – bpstewart59@gmail.com or call 570-350-8589. You may also call the church office.

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 this particular mission does. Thank you for your continued support! If you have any questions, please see a member of the Missions Team or call the church office.

Family Promise

Family Promise is seeking donations of grocery store gift cards, UBER and Lyft gift cards and monetary donations. If you can help, please place donations in the offering plate if you are in church on Sunday; otherwise please mail your donation to the church. Please note for Family Promise. Thank you!

Christmas Totes

The June item for the Christmas totes is puzzle books. July's item is a small tablet (non-wire type) and a retractable pen. Please leave your donations in the box wrapped in Christmas paper located in the Fellowship Room. Thank you!

Yard Sale Update

It has been decided to postpone the Yard Sale from the originally scheduled dates of August 7 & 8. Watch for new dates possibly this fall. Hold on to the items you want to donate for the sale. The new dates will be announced once we see how things are progressing after August. Any questions, please contact the church office.

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