

PUMA – Pocono United Methodist Academy Courses for Fall 2021

Analomink UMC, Cherry Lane UMC, Cherry Valley UMC, East Stroudsburg UMC, Faith UMC, Poplar Valley UMC, Reeders UMC, Stroudsburg UMC, Wooddale UMC

Please contact course instructors directly for more information and to register.

Introduction to Religious Sign Language

This course is designed to introduce you to some of the basics of American Sign Language and signs that would be specifically used in the church. The class will meet on five Wednesday Evenings from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., from October 6 to November 3, at Reeders UMC. Pastor Jeff and Audrey Weber, Instructors. To register for the course please contact them at jweber@ptd.net or at 570-234-7111.

Outdoor Prayer Walks

We will have four Outdoor Prayer Walks during the month of October, in different locations, each with a unique Scripture meditation and prayer focus: around the grounds of a local hospital, with Scripture of Jesus' healing miracles, and prayer for the sick and for our health care providers; on a conservation trail, with Scripture of God's creation, and prayer for our ecological stewardship in the face of climate change; through downtown Stroudsburg, with Scripture of God's protection, and prayer for our police and fire departments; and in front of various denominational churches, with Scripture and prayer for a Reformation Celebration. We will announce the dates and times and locations of each walk week by week, based on the weather forecast. Led by Pastors Paul Crikelair & Wendy Bellis. Email paul@crikelair.com to receive the details of each walk, and join us with your friends, as you are able!

The Bible in Lights: Biblical Themes in Broadway Shows

Broadway is back! After 18 months, theaters are opening cautiously and shows are returning. Many Broadway shows have biblical themes raised in song and dance, dialogue, and production. Join Rev. Monica Guepet on Monday evenings in October (4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th) from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm at Stroudsburg UMC as we explore such classics like *Fiddler on the Roof* and *Joseph and Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat* as well as modern hits like *Hamilton*, *Dear Evan Hansen* and more. Contact SUMC to register at sumc@stroudsburgumc.com or 570-421-6020. Bring a friend to hear and see the gospel shared through the BIBLE in LIGHTS! This class will also be offered on Zoom.

The Seven Churches of Revelation

It's been almost 2,000 years since the apostle John was instructed by Jesus to write letters to the seven churches mentioned in the book of Revelation. These timeless letters reveal a message of God's love through the death and resurrection of His Son Jesus, identify and provide correction for problems in the church, and offer hope and encouragement for the future. In this seven week study, you'll travel to what remains of the ancient sites of the churches in Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea. Join Pastor Zim for a closer look into the struggles of the New Testament churches that are just as apparent in churches today. This Study will be on Zoom only – Thursday nights at 6:30-7:30pm, Oct. 7 – Nov. 18. Contact Pastor Zim for more information, email zkhan1@drew.edu or text 484-369-3274