

Chimes
Prelude “Amen” Traditional Gospel: Arr. Victor Labenske
Welcome Pastor Monica
Announcements Jackie Herrero
*Hymn “Marching to Zion” 733
*Call to Worship *(based on Psalm 119:105-112)* Jackie Herrero
One: Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.
Many: Teach me your word, so I can live by your way.
One: Suffering and danger may find me; but the way of the Lord, I will not depart from.
Many: The joy of the Lord is my strength!
***Unison Prayer** Jackie Herrero
Ancient Gardener, your holy word is planted in our hearts as good seed in fertile soil. So nurture us that we may bear fruit abundantly. Amen.
Anthem “Come, Now is the Time to Worship”
Brian Doerksen, Arr. Jack Schraeder
Krista Montgomery
***Affirmation of Faith #881** “The Apostles’ Creed” Jackie Herrero
Sharing Joys and Concerns Pastor Monica
You are invited to come to and kneel at the Rail, or sit in the front pew if you cannot kneel, during the Pastoral Prayer.
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer Pastor Monica
Anthem “The Prayer”
Foster, Sager, Testa, Renis, Arr. David Foster
Ladies Quartet: Eileen Butz, Kim Kopec, Julia Webster, Laurie Braman
Call to Offering Pastor Monica
Offertory “Long Time Ago” Early American Song/ Arr. Brad Nix
*Presentation of Gifts “Doxology” 95
***Prayer of Dedication (Unison)** Jackie Herrero
Gracious and Generous God, who plants abundantly in our hearts and our community, we praise you for the providence of your hands.
May we return your generosity multiple fold to our church as the storehouse, so that all might know your love and care, we pray, Amen.
Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 55:10-13 Jackie Herrero
*Gospel Lesson Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 Jackie Herrero
Children’s Message Pastor Monica
Sermon “The Kingdom of Heaven is Like...Paper Clips” Pastor Monica
*Hymn “Wonderful Words of Life” 600
*Benediction and Dismissal Pastor Monica
Postlude “Praise!” Gilbert Martin
*Rise in body or in spirit.
Bold Print = Say in unison.

This Week's Schedule		
Today	8:30am	Worship-Sanctuary
	2:00pm	Soup Kitchen
Tuesday	6:30pm	Property & Building Team Meeting
Wednesday	12:00pm	Prayer and/or Quiet Reflection - Sanctuary
Next Sunday	8:30am	Worship-Sanctuary
		Daniel's Dream Team Meeting
	2:00pm	Soup Kitchen

Prayer List - Joys and Concerns		
Our Troops	Todd Martin	Lynn Seip
Prayer Mail Boxes	Jeff Wert	All with cancer
Sis Sebring	Avon Doll	

Those having testing done and awaiting results
First Responders, EMT’s, Police Officers, Firefighters
Special Person of the Week: Helen Ann Edinger, 4 South Kistler Street, Apt. 426, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301. Please remember her in prayer and if possible, please send a card.

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 from your bank. Any questions, please contact the church office. Thank you!

TODAY’S SCRIPTURE READINGS are available at the back of the sanctuary.

MEET & GREET WITH PASTOR MONICA A sign up sheet with additional dates and times is in the Fellowship Room. For questions or further information, contact Peggy Stewart 570-350-8589 or pegstewart59@gmail.com

WORSHIP ONLINE For those of you worshipping with us online, please comment with “Good morning” or “Hello” at the beginning of worship so we can count you as being ‘present’ during worship and keep our attendance records accurate. If you don’t feel comfortable commenting, please either contact Pastor Monica or Jackie in the church office and let either one of them know you worshipped online.

WORSHIP LEADERS Leading in worship is a gift to our faith community. Perhaps, you have not been a worship leader before or you are most comfortable worshipping at home and wonder how you could lead worship at this time. Pastor Monica would love to talk with you. She does teaching on worship leadership preparation for those who are feeling a tug. Through our technology, you can lead worship with video. Call the office at 570-421-6020 or email Pastor Monica at pastor@stroudsburgumc.com.

WORSHIP RETURNS TO TWO SERVICES Whether you are worshipping in the sanctuary or in your kitchen, we love when our church family gathers for worship. Starting on September 13, we return to two worship services at 8:30am and 11:00am. You can continue to worship with us in the sanctuary or online. Subscribe to our YouTube channel, so you don’t miss a thing! Click here: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMwaoyy6Ox2d8cGlrQes0Qw/featured>. Please let us know if you would like assistance.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Thursday, August 27, 11am-4pm in the dining room downstairs. Scheduled appointments are strongly recommended. Please call 800-733-2767 to schedule an appointment.

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:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Good morning! Check in on Facebook! [Facebook.com/StroudsburgUMC](https://www.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 newsletter in the back of the sanctuary. We are glad that you are here today!

TODAY’S WORSHIP LEADER IS Jackie Herrero

TODAY’S ALTAR FLOWERS are presented in celebration of Pastor Monica and Steve’s wedding anniversary. Happy Anniversary!

THE GREEN BANNER hangs in memory of Hazel Edinger given by Charlotte Driebe.

COPIES OF THE HYMN BIOS are available in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you, Mandy!

NEXT WEEK’S SCRIPTURES AND SERMON
Philippians 1:21-30, Matthew 20:1-16
“The Kingdom of Heaven is Like...The Check Out Line”

CHILDREN’S BULLETINS AVAILABLE There are children’s bulletins available at the back of the sanctuary.

COMPLIMENTARY GIFT BAGS from Pocono Community Pharmacy are available in the Fellowship Room. Additional bags are available in the church Lounge. Each bag contains a flyer, business card, pen, masks and latex gloves. Feel free to help yourself! A limited number of bags for children are also available.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL Jeff Weber’s adult Sunday School class will now be taught by Kathy Burnett and Dave Cook. We will begin with a study on Romans and will begin via Zoom on Sunday, September 13 at 10:00 am. If you would like to join the class please notify Kathy Burnett at kathygodshalk@yahoo.com or call or text 570-801-3025.

THIS WEEK - Finally, Pastor Monica and her family are moving to Stroudsburg! From after worship today through the 16th, she will have time off as the family moves in. Please contact Pastors Ted and Margie for pastoral concerns and the church office for administrative needs. Let us join them in prayer and support as they settle in.

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 _____

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
Pastors of Visitation	Margie & Ted Good
Pastor Emeritus	Tom Anderman
Church Secretary	Jackie Herrero
Choir Director	David Lantz III
Organist	Marti Lantz
Youth Leader	
Custodian	Craig Banner
CHURCH LEADERS:	
Daniel’s Dream Team	Chairperson, Cathy Doane
Worship	Chairperson, Pastor Monica Guepet
Stewardship	Chairperson, Paul Edinger
Property & Building	Chairperson, Boyd Butz
Staff Parish Relations Committee	Chairperson, Bill Weitzmann
Missions	Chairpersons, Ruth Weber, Kathy Cook
Membership & Evangelism	Chairperson, Peggy Stewart
Lay Leader	
Audio Visual Assistant	Beth Armitage

*Church Office Hours - Monday-Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm;
Friday 9:00am-1:30pm*

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