

STATE STREET *Happenings*

United Methodist Church

Your Weekly News & Updates

Easter Celebration at State Street



Easter Egg Hunt



Easter Sunrise Service



Easter Sunday

Attendance at State Street for Easter Celebrations

Holy Thursday - 70
Good Friday - 221
Easter Sunrise - 22
Easter 10 a.m. - 273

April 7, 2024
2nd Sunday of East4er
Communion Sunday

Scripture: Acts 4:32-35

Sermon: The Heart and Soul

Theme Verse: Now the whole group of those who were believed were of one heart and soul." - Acts 4:32



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IN THE
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ACTS

Communion Sunday

"I was hungry and you fed me ..." (Mt 25:35) As we are fed by Christ on Communion Sundays, we remember those who are hungry in our community. The Bristol Emergency Food Pantry has been very busy this past month and is in need of most everything including: Dry and boxed



goods, canned items and toiletries. Please leave donations at the Welcome Table on Sunday or drop off at the church office during normal business hours.

Thank you for your generosity!

Hospice Church of the Month News

Hospice Church of the Month results are great again this year. You all have outdone yourself with 21 meals served, over 100 gift bags presented to the home-bound patients, and four groups/individuals stocking the family kitchen's shelves. Between the youth, donations for the gift bags, and self-giving folks sharing their cooking skills, we are a blessed church who shares generously to those in need at the end of life. Thank you so very much.

Compassion Tree

Throughout the year, State Street encourages donations of items needed for our homeless neighbors. With the weather warming, those needs are shifting. Doug Murray, State Street member who works with the Appalachian Regional Coalition on Homeless, offers the following list:

The hygiene items that we need more of these days are:

- Deodorant – small size
- Chap stick
- Shaving cream – small size
- Razor blades
- Wet wipes to clean up with
- Soap bars – small
- Tooth paste and brush
- Lotion – small size
- Comb
- Hair Shampoo – small size

Please note that when folks are buying item's they must fit into a quart plastic bag to hand out.

Thank you for everything that SSUMC does to make life better for folks in need.

State Street Is Hiring! Help Us Spread the Word!

Do you feel called, or know someone who feels called, to mentor youth as they are exploring faith and life values? Do you want to participate in helping youth feel loved and valued? Do you enjoy working as part of a team? Are you looking for hands-on experience in a church and ministry setting? State Street is seeking a Youth Ministry Intern. The Intern will work alongside the Children, Youth, and Family Coordinator in preparing and facilitating all Youth Ministry events, including Sunday mornings, Tuesday F.I.S.H. Club and Sunday Afternoon Youth. Minimum age of 20. For more info, email Josh Bass at josh@state-street.org or call: 276 669-2101 x125.

April OAK (Older Adult) Outing



OAK group will travel to Janie's Restaurant on Thursday, April 25th for good country cook'in. It is on Bluff City Hwy in Bristol, TN. We'd love to see some new faces and friends who enjoy fellowship with those over 50. (Younger ones accepted with open arms). Meet us at 11:30am. Call Patty Kilbreath for further information.

May OAK (Older Adult Outing)

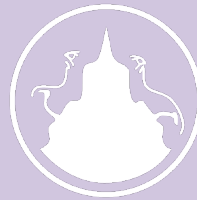
The OAK group is sponsoring a Barter Theater and lunch event on May 23rd. We have reserved 14 seats at the Smith Theater for the the play Mrs.

Gateway Takes a Walk. It's based on a book about a

65 year old woman who hiked the Appalachian Trail. Prior to the play, we'll meet for lunch at 128 Pecan in Abingdon at 11:30am. A driver will transport us to both locations. Due to Barter's policy, we must pay \$24.00, a month in advance to honor the reservation. Please, sign up and pay by April 22nd.

For more information call Patty Kilbreath @ 276-669-2101 Ext 128 or 423-646-5577.

The first 14 to register will be accepted.



BARTER
THEATRE



Sunday Worship In-Person & Online

SSUMC offers opportunities for worship on Sunday mornings with three different spaces and flavors:

+ 8:45 a.m. in the Chapel – Informal worship with traditional hymns.

+ 9:01 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall – Modern worship with music led by the Praise Band.

+ 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary – Traditional worship with choir and traditional hymns.

Godly Play (a worship experience for ages 4 - 4th grade) is offered at the 9.01 a.m. service, with the exception of Communion Sundays.

March Blood Pressure Screenings

Blood Pressure screenings will be available on Sunday, April 14 at 9:30a.m. and 12:00p.m. Screenings are also available on Thursday, April 25 at 6:00p.m. in the Parish Nurse Office from 6:00 – 7:00p.m.



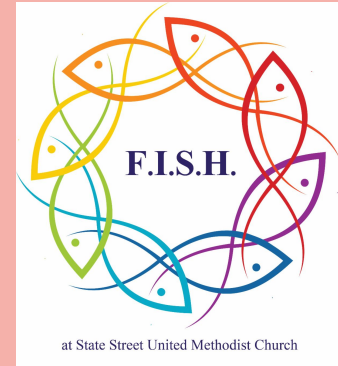
Join us for Camp Firelight VBS: A Summer Camp Adventure with God!

June 24th-26th - 5:30-7:30pm

At Camp Firelight VBS, your students will enjoy an interactive, energizing, Bible-based good time on their summer camp adventure with God. They will become Campers and discover how to put their trust in God in every situation.

F.I.S.H. Club Activities

F.I.S.H. Club (Faithful in Serving Him) is our weekday program for children and youth – from preschool all the way through 12th grade. Tuesday nights, at the church, from 5:45p.m.-7:15 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Josh Bass at: josh@state-street.org or at: 276-669-2101, ext. 125.



- April 16th – Regular F.I.S.H. Club at 5:45 p.m.
- April 23rd – Regular F.I.S.H. Club at 5:45 p.m.
- April 30th – Regular F.I.S.H. Club at 5:45 p.m.

F.I.S.H. Club Volunteer Needed

We're looking for Bus Monitor to ride the bus and interact with the kiddos on the way to and from F.I.S.H.! There are two different shifts: Pickup (4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m.) and Drop-off (7:15 p.m.-8:00 p.m.). It does not have to be a commitment to EVERY week, but it could be once or twice a month! If you are willing and available to volunteer, please contact Josh Bass at: josh@state-street.org or 276-669-2101 (ext.125).



Upcoming Youth Events

- April 7th – Last Confirmation Class at 4:00 p.m. – State Street UMC
- April 14th – Youth will not meet this afternoon
- April 21st – Regular Youth Meeting at 3:00 p.m.
- April 26th-28th – Youth Retreat to Gatlinburg

Mid-week Prayer Gathering Resumes on Wednesday, April 10th at 12 noon

Mid-Week Prayer Gathering meets every Wednesday at noon for a time of centering ourselves on God and sharing congregational prayers and concerns, reflective moments, and singing. Thirty minutes with a Zoom option available (contact the Office at 276-669-2101 for Zoom info).



midweek prayer

WEDNESDAYS

State Street Overview

State Street Weekly Small Groups

Children and Youth – contact Josh Bass at josh@state-street.org or 276 669-2101 x125

Sunday morning – Godly Play and Sunday School

Sunday afternoons – Youth Group for grades 6 – 12

Tuesday evenings – F.I.S.H. Club for children and youth from preschool through 12th grade; dinner provided; volunteers needed

Adults

Open Door Sunday School Class from 10 – 10:45 am on Sundays in Room 115 (ZOOM link also available) – contact Butch Flannagan at charlesflannagan01@gmail.com, or 276 669-7510

Beyond Worship from 4 to 5 pm on Sundays in the Parlor – with Pastor Steve and Pastor Laura

Wednesday Bible Study from 10 – 11 am via ZOOM – contact Sarah Smith at

pokomchi3285@gmail.com, or 276 644-3416

Midweek Prayer Gathering – Every Wednesday from 12:00 to 12:30 pm in the Chapel.
Resumes on April 10.

Other Small Groups for Fellowship and Learning

For details, sign up for State Street's weekly e-newsletter at the Welcome Table or by emailing churchoffice@state-street.org. Newsletters sent through regular mail by request.

OAK (Older Adults) Lunches and Outings
Men's Breakfast
Women's Fellowship Circles
Supper Club
Sunday Lunch Club
Game Nights
Book Group
Hiking Group
Regular Mission Projects
Scouts

Music Groups

Chancel Choir/Traditional Worship

Wednesday Rehearsals
Contact Matt Potterton at music@state-street.org or call:
785-615-1639.

Handbells

Wednesday Rehearsals
Contact Randall Egan at: steinway7478@gmail.com or call: 276-591-7143.



***Recovery at Bristol
Thursday at 6:15 p.m. ~ Fellowship Hall***

- Dinner at 6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall before worship.
- In-Person Worship at 7 p.m. (social distancing; masks not required) or live on YouTube.
- Support groups meet following worship.
- Transportation to and from Recovery available. If you need a ride, contact the Church Office at 276-669-2101 Ext. 121.
- Childcare provided (upon request).

If you have questions about Recovery, please call 276-669-2101 Ext.123 for Rev. Steve Patterson or Ext.125 for Josh Bass, Coordinator of Children, Youth & Family Ministries

[Click here to connect to Recovery Online](#)



STATE STREET ONLINE



9:01 and 11:00 Services Livestreaming on State Street's YouTube Channel
- StateStreetUMC

YouTube Channel -
StateStreetUMC

To Make a Gift Online

This QR Code goes directly to the giving page on our website.



Your respect and care for the health of one another is appreciated. **Masks or no masks, all are welcome. No explanation or judgment necessary.**

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Do no harm. Do good. Stay in love with God. - John Wesley's *Three Simple Rules*

Church Office hours are Monday - Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Church Office email and phone are: churchoffice@state-street.org and 276-669-2101.



**State Street UMC seeks to be a place
where NO ONE is a STRANGER
and ALL are ACCEPTED.**

**We certainly are not perfect, but
have experienced STRENGTH
found in WALKING WITH GOD.**



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