

STATE STREET *Happenings*

United Methodist Church

Your Weekly News & Updates

May 19, 2024
Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-21

Sermon: "What Does This Mean?"

"Then all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" -Acts 2:12



THE
EARLY
CHURCH
IN THE
BOOK OF
ACTS



You are encouraged to wear red or bright colors.
Red symbolizes fire and Holy Spirit power.



State Street News

During this year's Holston Annual Conference gathering at Lake Junaluska, our own Pastor Steve Patterson will be honored at the Retirement Ceremony. After 9 years of service, Pastor Steve is transitioning to retirement status. He will continue to serve as Associate Pastor at State Street UMC. United Methodist pastors reach mandatory retirement at age 72. The ceremony is taking place on Tuesday, June 11th at 11:00 a.m. in Stuart Auditorium at Lake Junaluska. All are welcome to travel in person to honor Steve or you can also watch on line at holston.org.

May 19th Lunch Group Following 11:00 a.m. Service

On Sunday, May 19th, immediately following our 11:00 a.m. service, we will have our regular Church Member Lunch at Perkins Restaurant at Exit 7. If you are not on the members' list for

these lunches, just let David Luther know that you would like to attend so he can make the appropriate number of reservations. David's cell number is: (423) 646-6599. Either calls or texts are fine.

Beyond Worship

The Beyond Worship group which meets every Sunday at 4pm in the Parlor is taking a break (for the rest of May and June) but will resume Sunday, July 7. Beyond Worship welcomes all who are interested in open, respectful conversations about our faith, the Bible, and even worship experiences. Hope to see you there on July 7th!

90th Birthday Celebration for Carolyn Williams

On Saturday, June 1st, lifelong member, Carolyn Williams will be celebrating her 90th birthday. Join us from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and wish Carolyn a very happy birthday. Please RSVP to hostesses: Roxann Coulthard at: 423-502-1038 or, Susan Long at: 276-494-9925 by May 18th. Your presence and a card will be treasured. Please, no gifts.

To view a larger version of the invitation, please click on the photo.



Save the Date!! 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.

[Click here to learn more.](#)

Collecting Recyclable Plastic Water Bottles

We are collecting 16.9oz. plastic water bottles for one of the crafts for VBS. Please make sure they are washed out and has the caps attached. There will be a basket in the Narthex for collections.

VBS Volunteers Needed

If you would like to be a camp volunteer, please contact Josh at: josh@state-street.org, or at: 276-669-2101, ext. 125

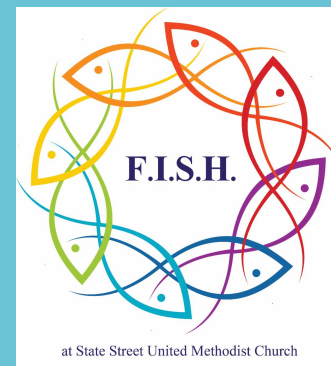
Prayer Chain Seeking Members

The Prayer Chain is seeking additional new members who will pray for those in need.

Confidentially is essential along with faith in lifting other Christians up to the Lord. Prayer has changed many lives. This group of dedicated prayer warriors has been a ministry at State Street UMC for over 40 years. Please, contact Susan Early at: 423-335-9706 or Patty Kilbreath at: 423-646-5577 for further information.

F.I.S.H. Club Will Be On Break Until August

F.I.S.H. Club will be on 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.



Upcoming Youth Events

Youth schedule:

- May 19 - Regular Youth program at 3:00 p.m.
- May 26 - Youth will not meet - Memorial Day
- June 2 - Summer break

Mid-week Prayer Gathering Wednesdays 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



Blood Pressure Screening

Blood pressure screenings will be available on Thursday, May 23rd at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Nurse office (Room 102).



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 Worship](#)



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.



STATE STREET ONLINE



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

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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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