

STATE STREET *Happenings* United Methodist Church

Your Weekly News & Updates

We focus on walking with Jesus to the cross and sharing in the joy of a resurrected life.

Thursday, April 17: Holy Thursday (From the Last Supper to the Cross)

- 5:00 pm Worship at Three Springs UMC, 6610 Reedy Creek Rd. Bristol, VA
- 6:00 pm Covered Dish Supper with Recovery at State Street ***Note time change!**
- 7:00 pm Worship at State Street

Friday, April 18: Good Friday at 7:00 pm

- Faure Requiem featuring combined choirs from area churches with orchestra

Sunday, April 20: Easter Celebration!

- 7:15 am: Easter Sunrise with Breakfast at Three Springs UMC ***Note time change!**
- 10:00 am: Worship as One Family at State Street UMC (one service)
- 11:00 am: Worship at Three Springs UMC

Holy Thursday meal on April 17!

Recovery at Bristol will host a Potluck supper for our Recovery participants as well as church members beginning at 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us for this annual tradition before the 7 PM Holy Thursday service in the Sanctuary. Bring your favorite side dish and/or dessert. The church will provide the meats. This is a wonderful way for all of us to come together in Christian Fellowship before we remember the meal that is fundamental to our faith.



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April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday

Sermon: "Steadfast Love: A New Cut"

Scripture: John 20:1-18

Theme: *"It's been a long dark night"*

*And I've been waitin' for the morning
But everything's gonna work out just fine
'Cause I can see the light of a
clear blue morning
I can see the light of a brand-new day."*
Light of a Clear Blue Morning by Dolly
Parton



Third Sunday Lunch Schedule Change

As the 3rd Sunday this month falls on Easter, we will not have our normal 3rd Sunday lunch after the 10 AM service this Sunday. Our next 3rd Sunday Lunch will be on May 18th.



Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed on Monday, April 21st, in observance of Easter. The office will re-open on Tuesday, April 22nd at 9:00 a.m.

Thank you Scouts!

The Scout Troop (Troop and Pack 8) offered a gift of gratitude to the church by spreading mulch. If you are interested in finding out more about the Troop, contact Rob Rutherford at robruther@icloud.com.





Dance/Conditioning Class Schedule Update!

The Dance/Conditioning Class is taking a 2-week break from 4/8 - 5/1. On May 1st, we will resume for 6 weeks and end on June 5th, from 10:30 a.m.– 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Led by Heidi Quick and Beverly Wiginton.



Need Help with Livestreams or Zoom?

If you're not sure how to connect to State Street's worship livestreams or Zoom sessions for Open Door Sunday School or any other study classes, we're here to help! Please reach out, and we'd be happy to guide you through the process. Let us know if you need assistance getting set up so you don't miss out on any of our events. Contact Betty in the church office at 276 669-2101 (leave a voice mail if she doesn't answer) or email her at churchoffice@state-street.org. Our own State Street Geek Squad (currently made up of Dreama Chapman and David Schoeni) will get in touch.



Spring Garden Preschool Now Enrolling

Spring Garden is now enrolling for ages 6 mos. – 5 years for our upcoming summer and fall programs. Spring Garden Preschool in Bristol, VA is a nurturing early childhood education center that provides a safe and engaging environment for young children to learn and grow.

*****UPDATE*****

Special OAK (Older Adult Kouncil) Outing

The tickets for May OAK activity to the Theatre Bristol to see Steel Magnolias on Sunday, May 11th at 2:30pm, have all been sold, but others may be purchased by calling them at 423-274-8920. We do plan to have lunch at the Shanghai Chinese Restaurant after church, prior to the performance. Those not choosing lunch can meet us at the Cameo Theatre at 2:00pm.

F.I.S.H. Club Schedule

- April 22 - Regular Programming
- April 29 - Regular Programming



Volunteer Opportunities

We are looking for volunteers who are willing to have fun and show God's love through their actions and words. See the list below to see the opportunities available and click the button to see details about the positions.

- Bus/Van Chaperones (2)
- Group Assistants (4)
- Calm Room Volunteers (2)

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Youth Group Happenings

- April 20 - Easter Sunday - on break
- April 27 - Regular Programming at 3pm

March Blood Pressure Screenings

Blood pressure screenings will be available on Thursday, April 24th at 6:00pm in the Parish Nurse office (Rm 102).



Beyond Worship

Sundays from 4 to 5:30 p.m. (with dinner option for fellowship afterwards). A gathering with Pastor Laura and Pastor Steve for those seeking more in their faith journey. A place to ask questions, share learnings, speak of life challenges and create community with others. All are welcome.



To Make a Gift Online

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

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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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

The Church office is open:

- Monday - Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 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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