

West Virginia Mission Trip

It is not too late to sign up for the Youth/Adult Mission Trip. We will be traveling to Heart and Hand House in Philippi, West Virginia. Heart and Hand House is one of our United Methodist missions in the Appalachian Mountains. They have a long history of helping many of the poor people in their community.

I attended my first mission trip when I was back in my home church during my high school days. I went five years in a row and it completely changed my outlook both physically and spiritually. Years later, I led a group from my church as their pastor to this same location and that group is still going there on yearly mission trips after 20+ years!

A mission trip is not just about what we can do to help others. When we are open to God's Spirit, we go to help others in need but we also spend quality time working side by side. We figure out problems, work on projects, and relate with the people in their home. It is a win-win and those of us who go always come back affected in a most positive way.

If you have never been on a mission trip before, I invite you to join us this year. It will be a memorable and uplifting experience!

Some people say that we should be involved in missions closer to home. I do agree with this, but I also believe that God calls us to go beyond our own communities to share God's love with others. When Jesus was departing from his disciples, he gave them a command to go out to all corners of the world to share his love. This command was not unique for the disciples, it is a command for all of us to follow.

Matthew 28 spells this out clearly. Think, for a moment, if the disciples had only stayed at home in their own immediate community, would the gospel have spread to the ends of the world?

In one church I served a while ago, their missions team had a four-pronged approach to missions, which included local, regional, global, and hands-on missions. This approach is still being followed today and it works to keep their church engaged in the Great Commission.

One of our great hymns includes this first verse:

Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his sweet voice soundeth
saying, "Christian, follow me!"

Many Christians say they want to follow Jesus, but they mean to do so on their own terms. Jesus calls us to new things and new places. He wants us to engage with new people.

I encourage you to consider this year's mission trip to be one of the those places where Jesus wants you to follow.



Bob Shank

Daily Scripture Readings

July 1
Job 14

July 2
Job 15

July 3
Job 16

July 4
Job 17

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Job 18

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Job 19

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July 28
Job 41

July 29
Job 42

July 30
Haggai 1

July 31
Haggai 2

Gather! Grow! Make a Difference!

July

To Serve You in July

Greeters 8:30

Cathy Doane (all month)

11:00

2 Doris Philips

9 Joanne Reed

16 Gale Butz

23 Doris Philips

30 Sue & Bill Weitzmann

Ushers 8:30

John Burrus

Walter Roeckendorf

Kirsten Lee

11:00

C.J. Penwell

Counters

Ray Singer & Sue Gouger

Altar Guild

Joni Singer & Ann Litchman

Soup Kitchen

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9

16

23

30



OUR CHURCH STAFF:

Ministers	Everyone
Pastors	Bob Shank & Ted Good
Pastor Emeritus	Tom Anderman
Church Secretary	Jackie Herrero
Choir Director	David Lantz
Organist	Marti Lantz
Youth Leader	Bill Hardy
Handbell Director	Lynn Seip
Cherub Choir Director	Kim Kopec
Custodian	Matt Parton

OUR CHURCH LEADERS:

Daniel's Dream Team

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Chairperson, Dick Seip

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Chairperson, C. J. Penwell

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Chairpersons, Ruth Weber & Kathy Cook

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Chairperson, Peggy Stewart bpstew@juno.com

Lay Leader

Beryl Hellgren

Audio Visual Assistant

Beth Armitage



SOUP KITCHEN HELP IS NEEDED!

Beryl Hellgren is seeking help with the soup kitchen duties. She is unable to handle all of the tasks herself. Volunteers are needed to inventory the pantry downstairs, schedule soup kitchen volunteers and volunteer a few Sunday's during the year when she needs people. Another person is also needed to help out with the recycling. Dick Seip has been taking care of this himself for quite some time and could use a hand (or two!) These tasks may seem monumental and daunting but they're really not. If you can help out in ANY way please contact Beryl or the church office. Thank you!

ORDERS FOR MEMORIAL TREE LEAVES STILL BEING TAKEN

We are still taking names for leaves to be added to the church Tree of Life. This is an ongoing project and there is no deadline.

Each leaf costs \$25.00 and will be imprinted with the name and year of your choice.

Pets' names can be used, too!

If you're interested, please call the church office for an order form or I can take the information from you right over the phone.

Proceeds from the sale of memorial tree leaves will be put toward the remaining bell tower repair bill.

Thank you!

-Jackie



Holly Day Market
Saturday, November 4
9am-4pm

We are still seeking vendors for this year's Holly Day Market. If you're interested or know someone who is, please call the church office for an application.



Join me for a Customer Appreciation
Ice Cream Social!

Date: July 6, 2017 Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Stbg. United Methodist Church

547 Main St., Stroudsburg

RSVP to 570-350-1070

Bring your friends, have some ice cream and check out the Thirty-one products!

www.mythirtyone.com/JennyBogart



St. Baldrick's
FOUNDATION

Conquer Childhood Cancers

Did you know that every two minutes, somewhere in the world a child is diagnosed with cancer? Or that more children in the U.S are lost to cancer than any other disease? This is why I'm shaving my head on July 23, 2017 - to raise money for childhood cancer research! Would you like to join me in making a difference? Here's what you can do:

Please visit <https://www.stbaldricks.org/events/Cut2theCure> to make a donation, sign-up as an individual or a team to shave your head in solidarity with kids who are in treatment, or volunteer to be on my team to make a difference in the lives of kids. You may also contact me at 570-242-9845 or cardoane9845@gmail.com.

The St. Baldrick's Foundation is a volunteer-powered charity known for their head-shaving events. While these events are a lot of fun, the real goal is to raise money to fund research that saves kids' lives.

Please join me as we *Cut 2 the Cure - Shaving out Pediatric Cancer* on Sunday, July 23, 2017, 1:00PM – 4:00PM at East Stroudsburg United Methodist Church.

Thank you for being a hero to kids; together we can make a difference!

~ Cathy Doane, Volunteer Event Organizer

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the kind words of encouragement I received after sharing my testimony on Laity Sunday. I also thank Pastor Bob for allowing me the opportunity to share Christ's love and the amazing grace so freely extended to all who seek Christ.

It just goes to show that I have the best church family ever! Your support is greatly appreciated.

In His service,

Cathy Doane

FREE MOVIE NIGHT
THURSDAY, JULY 27 AT 7:00 PM
IN OUR SANCTUARY



Missions Earnings Updates

Following are updates on the Missions Committee earnings from the book sale, SERRV sale and Bon Ton coupon booklets

Book Sale	\$394.50
Serrv Sale (supports UMCOR)	\$160.00
Bon Ton coupon booklets	\$70.00

Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits - Psalm 103:1-2 NIV

Church Yard Sale

Donations are still being collected for the church Yard Sale on August 4 & 5. Please bring your items to church and leave them in the blue room downstairs. If possible, please mark the contents of boxes and bags. No clothing, TV's or electronics.

Preparation for the sale will begin on July 31. Help is needed to unpack and sort items, set items out for

display and pricing. Help is also needed on the days of the sale, including clean up. Please consider how you can help.

If you have questions, please call the church office or speak with a member of the Missions Team.



2	Molly Maroney
2	Ralph Harrison
3	Kim Miller
4	Pastor Bob
5	Tori Principe
9	Bill Hardy
10	Nancy DeHaven Imgrund
12	Sally Edinger
16	Joni Singer
17	Morgan Tucker
17	Keelyan Sheeley
19	Christopher Vail
21	Dick Seip
24	Jeremy Stoeckel

If you would like a card
on your special day,
please contact the church office
570-421-6020

JULY 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25 Family Promise 8:30 AM Worship-Sanctuary 9:45 AM Adult Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship/Sanctuary 4:00 PM Soup Kitchen-Dining Room	26 Family Promise 7:00 PM Nar Anon - Dining Room	27 Family Promise	28 Family Promise 12:00 PM Prayer and/or Quiet Reflection-Sanctuary	29 Family Promise 10:00 AM My Brothers' Keepers Quilting 7:00 PM Scouts	30 Family Promise	1 Family Promise
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