

Hurray!!! Easter is Here!

He has Risen!!

Now what??

For Christians, Easter is not just one day - it's a season of 50 days, a week of weeks, derived in its length from the fifty days between Passover and Pentecost (which means fiftieth) in Judaism. Easter season begins at sunset on the eve of Easter and ends with [Pentecost](#), the day we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church (see Acts 2).

Easter season is more than an extended celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. In the early church, Lent was a season when persons who wished to become Christians were learning how to live the way of Jesus and preparing for baptism on Easter Sunday. Christians have referred to this time of formation as "catechesis" or "echoing the way of Jesus." The original purpose of the Easter season was to continue the formation of new Christians in the faith. Christians have historically referred to this formation process as "mystagogy" or "leading people into the mysteries."

Today, this extended season gives us time to rejoice and experience what we mean when we say Christ is risen and that we, as the church, are the body of the Risen Lord. It's a season for focusing on the core doctrines and mysteries of the faith and for preparing for the ministries the Spirit has empowered us to undertake in Jesus' name.

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Encounter God

Share God's love with our church family and invite friends and neighbors.

Grow in Faith

You must be intentional in growing your faith and in helping others do the same.

Serve in Christ's Love

Jesus gave us the example of helping others and charged us with sharing the faith.

JOIN US!

9:00 a.m.

All Ages Sunday School Classes

10:00 a.m.

Coffee & Fellowship Time

SUNDAYS

10:15 a.m.

Worship

Our Mission
Our Vision

To make new disciples of Jesus Christ
To invite and reach out to our neighbors to encounter God, grow in faith and serve in Christ's love



Birthdays

April

- 5th Rodger Kennedy
- 6th Sherrill Courtney
- 7th Michelle Scheide
- 14th Hunter Rhoe
- 14th Hayden Rhoe
- 17th Robbie Gregory, Jr



Anniversaries

April

- 19th Kevan & Melissa Koons
- 22nd Rodger & Ellen Kennedy



Thursday, April 4th 9:30 a.m. Bible Study with Pastor Ruth
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study off campus

Tuesday, April 9th 6:30 p.m. Leadership Team Meeting

Thursday, April 11th 9:30 a.m. Bible Study with Pastor Ruth
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study off campus

Saturday, April 13th 7:00 a.m. Spring Clean-up Day

Sunday, April 14th 9:45 a.m. 2nd Sunday Snack
11:30 a.m. VBS Meeting

Tuesday, April 16th 6:30 p.m. Hospitality Team Meeting

Thursday, April 18th 9:30 a.m. Bible Study with Pastor Ruth
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study off campus

Saturday, April 20th 6:00 p.m. Movie Night with Cookout

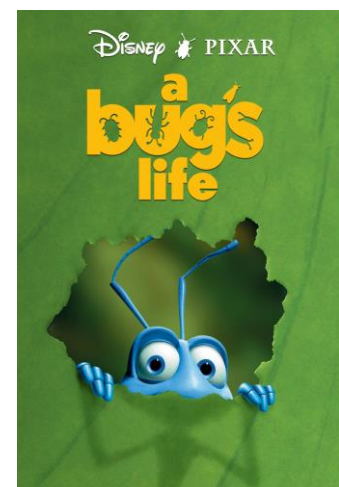
Monday, April 22nd 1:00 p.m. Pack food for the State Line Inn

Thursday, April 25th 9:30 a.m. Bible Study with Pastor Ruth
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study off campus

Sunday, April 28th 11:30 a.m. Deliver Food to the State Line Inn



April
2024



Serving in Worship

Worship Assistant

April 7 Terry Berkley
April 14 Ellen Kennedy
April 21 Matt Ellis
April 28 Terry Berkley

Usher

Tim Berkley
Rodger Kennedy
Gary Rhoe
Tim Berkley

Nursery

Bonnie C. / Gwenelle T.
Gwenelle T. / Terry B.
Tabitha H. / Terry B.
Tabitha H. / Bonnie C.



Outreach Pantry Needs for March

Peanut Butter, Jelly
Canned Pasta, 4-pk Pudding Cups



Get Involved!

1:00 p.m. – Monday, April 22nd – Pack bags of food for the Inn.
11:45 a.m. – Sunday, April 28th – Food distribution at the State Line Inn.



Thursday Morning Bible Study With Pastor Ruth

9:30 a.m Weekly

Small Group Study is an important part of your spiritual journey. Read more below and prayerfully consider if attending Bible Study is the next step in your journey!

Small groups can develop and equip strong lay leadership. During times of renewal in the history of the church, small groups have always been one of the ways in which vital personal faith in Christ Jesus has been nurtured, strengthened, and encouraged. Small groups have been used to help people discover what the Scripture says, what it means to be a Christian, and what it means to participate in the Christian community. Small groups are a way for the church to reach beyond itself to those outside its active fellowship and leadership. Lay leadership emerges in small-group involvement, and the church is strengthened to accomplish God's purposes in the world.

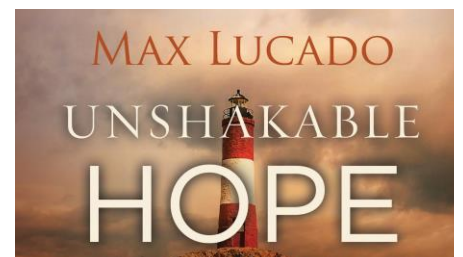
Excerpt from: www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/growing-through-small-groups

Thursday Evening Bible Study

6:30 p.m. – John Allison Public House

It's never the wrong time to participate in Bible Study! This year, we are starting off with the study of **Unshakable Hope**. Life is tough, but we have been given the tools to cope, mourn and even thrive through difficulty. Come and explore the teachings of Jesus in a new light.

GROWING MINISTRY: 3 attending to 12 attending in 6 months!!





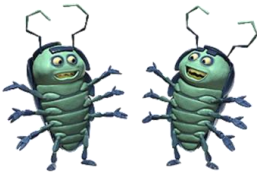
A BUG'S LIFE

Saturday, April 20
6 p.m Free Cookout
7 p.m. Movie

HOSTED BY STATE LINE UNITED
State Line United
287 East Avenue
State Line, PA 17263
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We will be hosting our first movie night of the year!



Even more info to come.

How can you help?

- ~ Volunteer to support a station ~
- ~ Bring baked goods/candies (individually wrapped) to serve ~
- ~ Donate funds or food for the cookout ~

Come and interact with the community. Wear your State Line UNITED shirts or sweatshirts!

March Leadership Notes

The Leadership Team met on March 12th. The following are highlights from the meeting.

- Ministry activities coming soon: Outreach Movie Night – Saturday, April 20th / Hospitality is looking for a 2nd Sunday Snack host for May. Please see Ellen Avey or Sherry Rhoe if you would like to provide the small snack.
- After several significant roof repairs in the last few years, the Leadership team has been spending a couple of months researching the cost of roof replacement and determining funding for that expense. More to come.
- We will be looking for Property Committee volunteers to help with small repairs and to respond with calls to contractors when needed (i.e. plumbing problem, etc.)

Tithes & Offerings

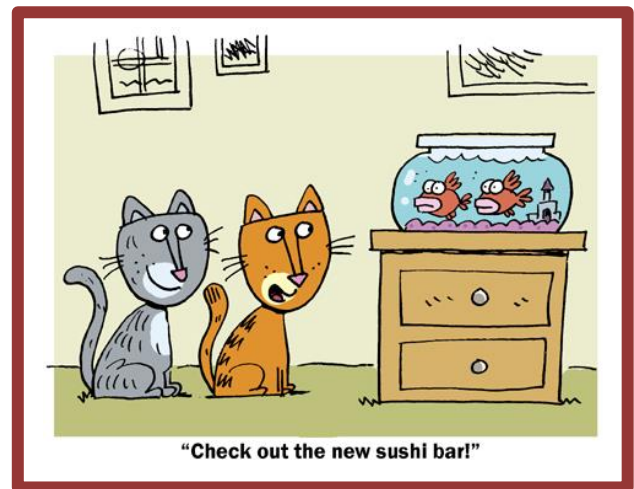
Week of March 3 rd :	38 attend	\$2896.00
Week of March 10 th :	40 attend	\$1404.00
Week of March 17 th :	28 attend	\$595.00
Week of March 24 th :	26 attend	\$630.00
Week of March 31 st :	Info in April Newsletter	



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Pastor Don is available by email, cell phone, or Monday mornings in the office. Please know that you can reach him and can discuss ideas or concerns with him directly.

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