

Church Office Closed

In observance of Memorial Day, the Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 25, 2026.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

The Bible Study on Thursday morning will **pause** for the month of June and resume on July 2.

New Members

We will welcome new members into our church family on May 31. If you are interested in joining, please see Pastor Paula Stover for more information.

Bake Sale

The Women of HOPE invite you to their special Bake Sale on Sunday, June 21 – Father’s Day! Stop by following worship and pick up a delicious homemade treat to celebrate the men in your liFe. From baked goods to sweet surprises, there will be something for everyone to enjoy! Don’t miss this opportunity to support a wonderful ministry while making Father’s Day a little sweeter!

Blessing Bags

Twice a week, volunteers fill bags with supplies appropriate to those who are homeless. These bags are then put into the Blessing Box. You can support this ministry by donating supplies: vienna sausages, beanie weenies, fruit cups, pudding cups, small boxes of raisins, cups of applesauce, peanut butter or cheese crackers, granola or cereal bars, juice boxes, and bottled water. Donations can be placed in the tub under the table in the narthex. Additional copies of the list are on the table. Questions may be addressed to Peggy Packard or Saundra Stegall.



OUR PRESENCE 5/17/26	
10 am Service	87
On-Line Views	43

OUR PRAYER AND SUPPORT	
In Hospital	No one at this time.
In Rehabilitation	No one at this time.
In Home Visitations	Kate Eley, Charlotte Minnick, Emily Michael

OUR GIFTS as of 5/17/26 Operating Fund	
Received this week	\$3,946.75
YTD Receipts	\$126,551.20
Receipts through April 2026	\$108,110.20
Expenses thru April 2026	\$128,730.58

Fellowship Hall	
Received this week	\$485.00
YTD Receipts	\$8,810.00
Required Monthly	\$3,176.26
Loan Balance as of 4/23/26	\$146,853.89

1875 Sanctuary	
Received this week	\$0
YTD Receipts	\$50.00
Account Balance as of 4/12/26	\$6,895.00

Improvements for Present Building/Grounds	
Coins of Change Received this week	\$79.50
YTD Receipts	\$1,480.50
Balance as of 5/10/26	\$10,525.79



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SOCASTEE

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, May 24, 2026

Pastor: Rev. Paula J. Stover



Our Mission

To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Our Vision

Our Vision is to love God and our neighbors. As faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, we welcome, receive, and nurture all who come to us.

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**ORDER OF WORSHIP
DAY OF PENTECOST**

May 24, 2026 10:00 am Red

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LET US PAUSE TO REMEMBER:

Memorial Day Tribute Steve Shuppy

***LET US GREET OUR WORSHIPPING NEIGHBORS**

PRELUDE: *America*

INTROIT: *God of Our Fathers* Chancel Choir

INVOCATION: Dale Fryer

***HYMN OF PRAISE:** *God of Grace and God of Glory* UMH#577

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: God promised through a prophet long ago; I will pour out my spirit on all flesh.

People: Our sons and daughters shall prophesy, the young see visions, and the old dream dreams.

Leader: God's spirit opens minds and hearts to make the common place exceptional.

People: We want to see, hear, and feel what the Holy Spirit has in store for us.

Leader: Listen for the wind and feel the flames; be alert for God's surprises.

People: Come, Holy Spirit, to make all things new; light the flame of love in our lives.

***RINGING OF THE TRINITY**

DEDICATION OF THE QUILTS

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CALL TO PRAYER: *O Lord Hear My Prayer* Chancel Choir

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

LET US WORSHIP WITH OUR COINS OF CHANGE

CHILDREN'S TIME: Lindsay Jackson

LET US WORSHIP WITH OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY:** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #95

ANTHEM: *Patriotic Medley* Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Holy Spirit, come again. As long ago you inspired, astonished, and confused the people, come to us now to fill our ears with the sound of your breath, fill our eyes with the brilliance of your presence in each other, and fill our hearts with your good Word. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

Acts 2:1-8, 12-18 Suzanne Grzeszkowiak

SERMON: "How Is It?" Rev. Paula Stover

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:** The Apostles' Creed UMH #881

***GLORIA PATRI** UMH #70

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN OF DEDICATION:** *Now Thank We All Our God* UMH #102

***CHARGE AND BLESSING:** Rev. Paula Stover

***BENEDICTION:** *Seven Fold Amen*

***POSTLUDE:** *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*

**Congregation Stands – Please stand as you are able in body or in spirit.*



The flowers for today are given to the glory of God by Eddie and Cynthia Dyer in memory of their fathers, both World War II veterans of the U.S. Army Air Corps..

We WELCOME you to Socastee United Methodist Church! Thank you for worshipping with us today. We love our new and returning guests and ask that you please put your name and contact information in one of our red pads found in the pews so we can welcome you and get to know you.

Nursery Available

A nursery is available in the rear of the sanctuary for children through age 4 during Sunday School and worship. Children's Church is available for ages 4 yrs – 5th grade in the Fellowship Hall after Children's Time.

Serving Today

Choir Director/Pianist: Lauren Willis
Organist: Marianne Eaton
Ushers: Craig Campbell, Barbara Gulino,
Debbie England, John McLaughlin
May Steward: John McLaughlin
June Steward: Chip Smith

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK AT SUMC	
Today: 8:45 am 8:30 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	May 24 Sunday School (Covenant Keepers)/JW Fellowship Time/FH (until 9:45 am) Day of Pentecost/NS Sunday School/FH (Second Floor)
Monday: Office Closed 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	May 25 Memorial Day Cub Scouts Pack 891/FH Boy Scouts Troop 891/FH
Tuesday: 9:00 am	May 26 Stitchers/JW
Wednesday: 5:45 pm 6:45 pm	May 27 Adult Bell Choir/Bell Choir Room Chancel Choir Practice/Choir Room
Thursday: 10:30 am 12:00 pm	May 28 Thursday Bible Study/JW Gracie's Heart/JW
Friday: 6:00 pm	May 29 Line Dancing
Saturday: 11:00 am	May 30 Memorial Service/NS (Trudie & John Bealer)

Lectionary Readings for:

Trinity Sunday – May 31, 2026
Genesis 1:1-2:4a and Psalm 8,
2 Corinthians 13:11-13, Matthew 28:16-20

Remember our Military Members in Prayer

The addresses of all our military family members will be held in the office and can be made available to anyone who would like them.

- *Major Jon-Michael Farino (USAF)
- *Captain Jennifer and Marc Melfi
- *Airman First Class Cassie Edwards
- *Captain Melissa Hedges
- *Specialist Isaac Hedges
- *CT4 Halle Rae Anderson
- *SSgt. Warren Scoggin
- *CM SGT. Jessica Heilman
- *M/Sgt. Nicolas McLaughlin
- *Airman William Rogers