

# Historic Stevens Chapel UMC

APRIL 2025 NEWSLETTER



## Holy Week

Holy Week is the special time when Christians remember the final days of Jesus' life, leading up to Easter Sunday. It starts with Palm Sunday, when Jesus entered Jerusalem and people welcomed Him like a king. Then comes Maundy Thursday, when Jesus had His last supper with His disciples. Good Friday is when we remember Jesus' death on the cross. Holy Saturday and finally, on Easter Sunday, we celebrate that Jesus rose from the dead, bringing hope and new life to the world. It's a time to pause, reflect, and remember God's great love for us.

### Holy Week

Palm branches waving in the air,  
Jesus rode with love and care.  
Crowds all cheered and sang His  
name,  
Not knowing what soon He'd claim.  
He washed their feet, He broke the  
bread,  
"Love each other," Jesus said.  
Then in the garden, He knelt to pray,  
While darkness waited not far away.  
He died for us upon the tree,  
A gift of love to set us free.  
But death could not keep Him away—  
He rose again on Easter Day!

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# Schulenburg Ministerial Alliance “Good Friday” Community Service

The Schulenburg Ministerial Alliance is comprised of various churches in the area, and an annual “Good Friday” Community Service is a tradition during Holy Week. The “Good Friday” service is hosted yearly at a different church. This year, the “Good Friday” service was held at Stevens Chapel United Methodist Church (UMC) on Friday, April 18, 2025 at 12 noon. The ecumenical community came out in large numbers to support the effort.

A light lunch was served along with a fellowship directly following the service.

It was a glorious day and a time to pause, reflect, and remember God’s great love for us.



For God so loved the world  
that He gave  
His only begotten Son - John 3:16

The Schulenburg Ministerial Alliance along with the community worked well together to make the “Good Friday” service a beautiful occasion and fellowship.

Have a wonderful Resurrection Day!

The next Schulenburg Ministerial Alliance gathering is the Baccalaureate on Sunday, May 18, 2025 at 6pm. The host church is: First Baptist Church.

**Please save the date.**

# GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18, 2025



## Building Community, One Person at a Time!

### Fellowship after “Good Friday” Service

Schulenburg Ministerial Alliance’s annual “Good Friday” Service hosted at Stevens Chapel UMC and the community fellowship was held outside on a beautiful day at 309 Wolters Avenue. Anything is possible! Building community, one person at a time!

*And Jesus said to him, “If you can! All things are possible to him who believes.” Mark 9:23 NRSV*



*“For whoever has despised the day of small things shall rejoice ...” Zechariah 4:10 NRSV*



*Stevens Chapel UMC*

*April 2025*

# *Thank You*

*Dear members and friends of Stevens Chapel UMC,*

*We are grateful for your prayers and support! This year is moving rapidly, but we are in awe of what the Lord is doing at 309 Wolters Avenue. It is an honor and a privilege to serve others. We felt your prayers, and we are grateful that you could join us on "Good Friday". We appreciate everyone and their efforts to set up tents, refreshments, and participate at the Schulenburg Ministerial Alliance annual "Good Friday" Service. What a an honor to serve the community and to align with the special Pastoral leadership that is represented by each Pastor of the churches that are located in the Schulenburg area. We welcome future community worship experiences and fellowships, if your schedule will allow. Holy Week brings introspection, reflection, grace, and community!*

*In Christ,*

*Pastor Sattienwhite*

*Rev Dr Pamela Sattiewhite*