

Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, March 1

First Sunday of Lent

Worship with Holy Communion

8:30 & 11 a.m. – Nave

God's Grace is for All

Rev. Chuck Starks

Romans 5:12-19

Wednesday, March 4

Downtown Lenten Service

12 p.m. – Nave

Rev. Chuck Starks

Lunch in Parish Hall to follow (donations accepted).

HAPPENING AT CHURCH STREET



Sunday, March 1

MARYVILLE COLLEGE CONCERT CHOIR

with CSUMC Parish Youth Choir
6:00 p.m. in the Nave

Join us for an evening of choral music by the Maryville College Concert Choir, under the direction of Stacey Wilner, for **"Of Stones and Stars."** The Maryville College Choir will be joined in concert by Church Street's own Parish Youth Choir.

Pictured at left (top) is the Maryville College Choir with Stacey Wilner, director; left (bottom), the CSUMC Parish Youth Choir singing at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City during the 2019 Youth Choir Tour.

Mission, Vision, Values Update from the Connection Team

The Connection Team met on February 17 to begin its work to clarify the Mission, Vision, and Values of Church Street. The source for this exercise is the information you offered during our listening circles in November, outlined in the Feedback Report delivered on January 11. The important themes you identified are:

We have a desire to be unified, not divided
We value Sunday School classes and small groups
We appreciate the diversity of our membership
We have a wonderful worship service
The music program is a strength
Our children and youth programs are very valuable

We are proud of outreach, missions, and opportunities to serve
Can we do more to know the Knoxville community more fully?
How do we navigate the tumultuous time approaching for the UMC?
It is crucial we have strong clergy leadership

While articulating Mission, Vision and Values will not alone solve our problems, we believe that using this feedback to develop and clarify these foundational statements will help us remember and build on our strengths, provide a guiding light to navigate any changes in our denomination, and help us unify as a congregation. If you have any thoughts you'd like to share, please reach out to any member of the Connection Team. The team is focusing on our Mission, Vision and Values to create concrete ways to involve the congregation in this project. We will share more as opportunities are available.

All are Welcome at Church Street!

We believe every person is of sacred worth and created in God's image. We welcome and celebrate the gifts God has given to all persons without regard to race, color, national origin, ethnicity, age, gender, disability, status, economic condition, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religious affiliation. We respect diversity of opinion and expressions of Christian faith. We believe God loves everyone unconditionally! As God loves us, so let us love and serve in the name of Christ.

Jazz Brunch

A FUNDRAISER FOR COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 12:30 PM
CHURCH STREET GYM

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT
524-3048 TO MAKE YOURS!

Calendar: March 1 - March 7

Worship

Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:00 am, WVLT-TV
Downtown Midweek Lenten Service
Wednesday, 12 pm, Nave
Lunch to follow, Parish Hall (\$8)

Sunday School 9:40 AM

Music

Youth Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 4 pm, rm-306
Primary Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 4 pm, rm-304
Chorister Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 4 pm, rm-306
Master Arts Series: Maryville College
Concert Choir and CSUMC Parish
Youth Choir
Sunday, 6 pm, Nave

Singles & Fellowship

Bridge Group
Monday, 6 pm, rm-201C
Line Dance Lessons
Thursday, 6:30 pm, Gym
Friday Fun Nights Dances
Friday, 7 pm, Gym

Beacon of Hope

BOH Benevolence Team
Tuesday, 12 pm, Vestal UMC
BOH Food Co-Op
Thursday, 9:30 am, Vestal UMC

Meetings & Ministry

Kneeler Dedication Reception
Sunday, 9:40 am, Welcome Center
Book Launch of *Unfinished Journey*
Sunday, 9:40 am, Parish Hall
CSA Jazz Brunch
Sunday, 12:30 pm, Gym
Stephen Ministry Meeting
Sunday, 1:30 pm, rm-201A
Lenten Bible Study
Sunday, 3:30 pm, rm-204

Meetings & Ministry

Benevolence Team
Monday, 12 pm, Office
Connection Team
Monday, 6 pm, rm-201A
Worship Committee
Tuesday, 6 pm, Chiles Room
Nominations & Leadership
Wednesday, 5:30 pm, rm-201A
Properties
Wednesday, 5:30 pm, rm-202
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall
Outreach Yoga Class
Thursday, 12 pm, Chiles Room
Young Adult Book Study
Thursday, 7 pm, Offsite
Missions Weekend
Saturday, 10 am, Gym
Sunday, 12 pm, Parish Hall

Children & Youth

Youth Basketball
Sunday, 7 pm, Gym &
Monday, 6 pm, Gym

Children & Youth

Wesley House Tutoring
Tuesday, 4:15 pm, Offsite
Youth Band
Wednesday, 6:15 pm, Lower CLC
High School Prayer Breakfast
Thursday, 8 am, Offsite

UMW

UMW Executive Committee
Tuesday, 10 am, rm-204
Lydia Circle
Friday, 12 pm, Chiles Room

Next Messenger

Please submit written articles and photos that you wish to be published in the next edition of *The Messenger* by Friday at noon to

communications@churchstreetumc.org

UMW News

United Methodist Women Welcomes Laura Shearer

United Methodist Women welcomes Rev. Laura Shearer for our Call to Prayer and Self-Denial Service. Come and warmly greet Rev. Shearer, former Associate Pastor at CSUMC, 2005 – 2008. She answered the call to ordained ministry in midlife and draws inspiration from the wise women of the ancient Christian faith. She seeks God in ordinary life and in that way brings compassion and understanding to others desiring a deeper relationship with the Divine in order to experience more fully God's abundant love and grace.

Where & When: Chapel, Tuesday, March 10, at 11:00 am

Offering: Supports National Mission Institutions, International Partners, and Regional Missionaries

All are invited! Lunch (\$10) follows at noon in the Parish Hall. Please make reservations for lunch by March 6 (524-3048 or email). If childcare is needed contact Elaine Ralston (aralston1025@tds.net) by March 3.

UMW March Book Review

For March, we are doing something different! United Methodist Women will host a screening of the UMW-recommended documentary, *Morristown: In the Air and Sun*. It will be held on Wednesday, March 18, at a new time of 2 pm (to avoid conflict with Lenten Midweek service that week).

We will be watching the film in the Chiles Room, and all are invited to join.



Year-Long Bible Challenge

Chapter Readings, March 2 - March 8:

March 2: Deuteronomy 3-4
March 3: Deuteronomy 5-6
March 4: Deuteronomy 7-9
March 5: Deuteronomy 10-12
March 6: Deuteronomy 13-16
March 7: Deuteronomy 17-19
March 8: Deuteronomy 20-23

Friends In Christ Class Concludes Parables Study

On Sunday, March 1, Rev. Rick Isbell will conclude the series, "Short Stories by Jesus," by looking at the parable of the Laborers in the Vineyard or, maybe better, the parable of the Surprising Salaries. This challenging parable will help us look at employment, economics, and what is fair versus what is right. Join us in room 202, at 9:40 am, to explore this much discussed parable.

2020 Scholarship Applications Now Available

Scholarship applications are available now on the CSUMC youth website at: <https://churchstreetyouth.wordpress.com/forms/>. Completed applications, along with two references, are required, and are due March 29 to Jenny Cross's mailbox in the main church office. Announcement of scholarship recipients will be early May. If you have any questions, please contact Jenny Cross at 865-521-0287 or jcross@churchstreetumc.org.

CLERGY CONNECTION

Together, let's think about ... *Missions Weekend*

Growing up, my parents taught me that service was a way that we practiced faith as a family. Every quarter, we would gather together to serve our neighbor in some way. At Christmas, it was ringing bells for the Salvation Army. Sometimes it was serving Saturday breakfast to the homeless and low-income community of Johnson City through our church's feeding ministry. Each year, though, we would join with the rest of our church to serve our city as part of the annual Missions Weekend. What made this weekend special was that we could serve as a family and learn together about the Missions of our church.

Church Street's 2020 Missions Weekend has been planned with that hope in mind. Our church serves our neighbors in so many wonderful ways,

yet it is difficult to serve together. This year's theme is "Boldly Serving to the Ends of the Earth" and is connected with Acts 1:8. Here, Jesus is instructing the disciples before his ascension, that "you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Serving in Mission together means that we serve our local community (Jerusalem), our region and country (Judea and Samaria), and to the ends of the earth. Each hands-on service opportunity is to help us serve these places.

On Saturday, March 7, there are three ways to serve:

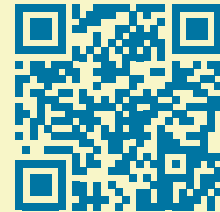
- 9 - 10:30 am: Making Detergent for Sharing Shop
- 10:30 am - 12 pm: Assembling UMCOR supplies
- 1 - 2:30 pm: Assembling Food 4 Kids Weekend Packs

You can sign up to serve by scanning the QR code below or contacting the church office.

On Sunday, March 8, we will also have a lunch at 12:30 in Parish Hall to celebrate all of the ways this church has gathered in Missions this past year. Make your reservations at the sign-up or pay for your lunch online (\$5 per person or \$14 for a family of four or more).

Please sign up to engage in Missions with us during this exciting weekend.

— Rev. Palmer Cantler



CPR/AED Class Rescheduled to

March 5: Due to inclement weather on February 20, the CPR/AED class has been rescheduled to Thursday, March 5 at 6 pm in CLC-120. If you registered, please plan to attend, and if you would still like to register, you may do so by calling the church office at 524-3048 by March 3. The cost of the class is \$35 per person. Please contact John Hollingsworth with any questions at 865-806-4477.



- **Larry Best**
Building Fund: Dr. & Mrs. Leonard Bellingrath, Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Siler, Jr., Mr. & Mrs. James Staub, Dr. & Mrs. David Craig, Mr. & Mrs. Harold Roth, Mr. & Mrs. Kerry Hodge, Mr. & Mrs. William Dempster, Fred & Nellie Jo St. Clair, Ms. Jo Ann Jones, Ms. Kathy H. Meng, Ms. Ann Marie Tugwell, Ms. Kimberly Cooke-Lawson & Mr. Timothy Lawson, Mr. & Mrs. George Dominick, Gordon, Gay, & Leah McCammon, Ms. Irene Turner & Mr. Richard Turner, Ms. Helen B. Huffstetler, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Ralston, Haroldine & Lynn Shasteen, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas J. Ehrnschwender, Frank A. Word, Jr., Janice Hixson, Mr. F. Edwin Lay, Jr., Delane Dacus & Jane P. Dacus, Mr. & Mrs. Grainger Morrison, Kay Carpenter & Family, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Strange, Mrs. Sarah Wimberly, Jeff & Cathy Goff

Memorials

In memory of:

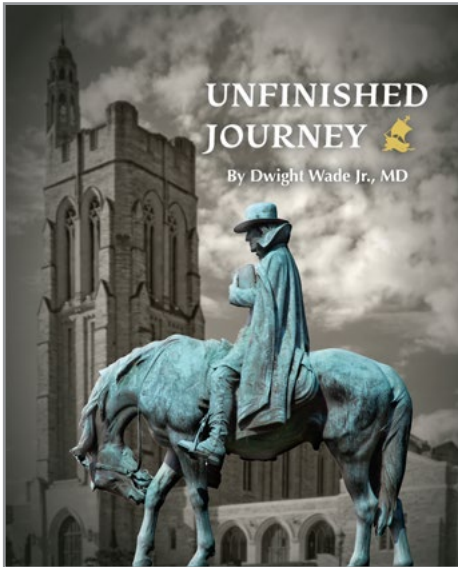
- **Polly Anna Harris & David Harris**
Building Fund: Mr. & Mrs. Grainger Morrison
- **Howard Herndon**
Building Fund: Mrs. Tiddle Thomas
- **Wilma Jones**
Memorial Fund: Ms. Sharon Phipps
- **Judge Harold M. Wimberly, Jr.**
Altar Guild: Dr. & Mrs. Leonard Bellingrath
Building Fund: Mr. & Mrs. Frank Ralston
- **Juanita Reynolds**
BOH Food Co-Op: Mr. & Mrs. Harold Roth, Ellen C. Spitzer, Elizabeth S. Henderson, Woodrow M. Henderson, Susan M. Maxwell, Ms. Jane Turner
- **Shirley Stanberry**
Music Ministry: Dr. & Mrs. David Craig

Parish Health Ministry Resources: In Print and Online!

The Parish Health Ministry Team has assembled a notebook that contains all the health articles previously published in *The Messenger*. This notebook is located in the library and handouts are available for you to take. Another location for the handouts is located in the wooden rack at the entrance to the sanctuary in the Chapel hallway. This health information contains applications for hearing aids (HARP-Hearing Aid Repurposing Program), how to access the Parish Health Ministry on the web, and the most recent health articles. In addition, all information can be accessed at <https://www.churchstreetumc.org/parish-health/>. Also, our Parish Health Ministry is proud to report that our **third Hearing Aid Repurposing Project (HARP) recipient** has been approved! If you have a used (or unused) hearing aid, please consider contributing it to HARP - there is a box in the church office for donations!

UNFINISHED JOURNEY AVAILABLE MARCH 1

Unfinished Journey: The Church Street Story, captures the collaboration and conflict within Church Street's and Knoxville's intriguing history.



From documenting the stories of early circuit riders and the influences on young clergy during slavery, to 20th and 21st century issues of race, women's rights, and homosexuality, the 600-page volume addresses the unfinished journey of the United Methodist denomination, Knoxville's growth, and Church Street UMC.

Unfinished Journey will be available for purchase (\$75, or \$78 if paying by credit card), beginning at 9:40 am on Sunday, March 1 in the Welcome Center or Parish Hall. All are invited to the Open Door Sunday School class on March 1 for a presentation about the book by author Dr. Dwight Wade. You may purchase the book throughout the month of March on Sunday mornings in the Welcome Center. After March 1, you may also stop by the church office during business hours or purchase the book on the CSUMC website. *Payment plans are available.*

ABOUT THE AUTHOR, DR. DWIGHT WADE, JR.: Dr. Dwight Wade, Jr. was eldest of four sons born to Dwight and Kate Wade of Sevierville, Tennessee. He was educated in public schools in Sevier County and graduated from the University of Tennessee (UTK), and later, from the UT Medical School in Memphis in 1964 where he was elected to the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society. He served in the U.S. Army from 1965 to 1968, spending his last year as Group Surgeon, 6th Special Forces Group, (Airborne) at Fort Bragg, NC.



Author Dr. Dwight Wade, Jr.

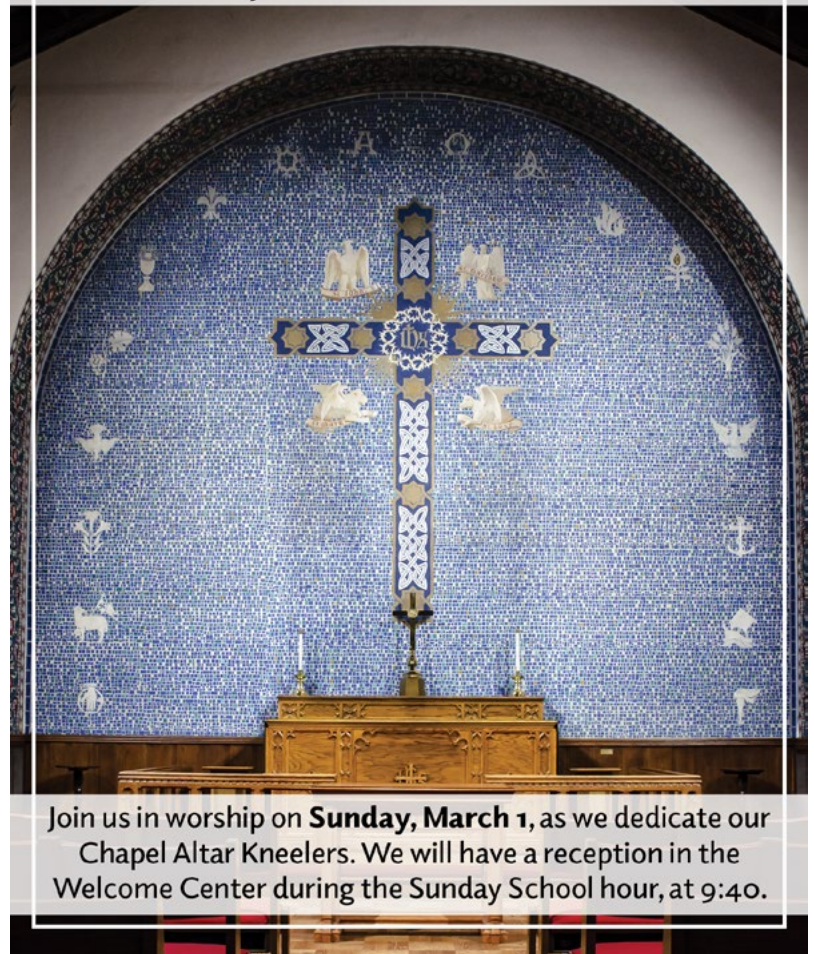
Returning to Memphis Medical Units in 1968, he completed his internal medicine residency and a one-year fellowship in cardiology. He joined the practice of Sienknecht, Gilbertson, and Turner at Fort Sanders in 1972 that later became one of the founding practices of Summit Medical Group. Service during his medical career included election to Chief of Staff at Fort Sanders Regional Hospital, President of the Knoxville Association of Internal Medicine, State Board member and Fellow of the American College of Physicians, and President of the Tennessee Heart Association. Upon his retirement from the clinical practice of medicine in 2001, he served on the Business Board and later became the first Medical Director of Summitt Medical Group.

Dwight and his wife, Dr. Jan Wade, joined Church Street UMC in 1993 where, after graduation from Candler School of Theology, she has served as Associate Pastor and now serves as the church's Minister of Spiritual Enrichment. In recent years, Dwight has served as a Sunday School teacher, President of the Wesley House Board and member of the church's History Committee.

Service on the planning committee for Church Street's Bicentennial in 2016 made him more aware of the church's interesting past. After writing a series of blogs related to the year-long celebration of the bicentennial, he began deeper research into the two-century saga of Church Street United Methodist Church.

Four years of research produced *Unfinished Journey: The Church Street Story*, describing the challenging and complex story of Church Street within the context of Knoxville's maturing from a village to a major regional city.

Chapel Kneelers Dedication





MISSIONS WEEKEND

SATURDAY, MARCH 7
& SUNDAY, MARCH 8

Introducing Nancy Chinzvende *Assistant Director of Ishe Anesu in Zimbabwe*

Mrs. Nancy Chinzvende has served for 19 years as the Assistant Director for Maria Humbane at our mission project, Ishe Anesu, which is located in Mutare, Zimbabwe. Two years ago she was promoted to the Director of this outstanding project.



She has lived and worked in Mutare all her life and is passionate about caring for the children served by Ishe Anesu. Her time here with us in Holston Conference will be spent with churches building on existing relationships and making new relationships to help support the mission of Ishe Anesu. support for basic needs in a time of civil war in the region.

Nancy will join us as our guest speaker during the Missions Luncheon on Sunday, March 8. Please sign up at the link below or scanning the QR code so that the church can have an appropriate head count. We look forward to hearing about the her work and the work we support as a Conference on March 8!

For questions about any of the activities happening over Missions Weekend, please contact Rev. Palmer Cantler at 521-0298 or pcantler@churchstreetumc.org.

Sign Up for Missions Weekend!
Intergenerational activities planned for the whole weekend



Use the link below or the QR code at right to preview our Missions Weekend activities, great for the whole family, and make your reservations for Sunday's missions lunch! **LINK: bit.ly/csmissions2020**

CHURCH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MISSIONS REPORT 2019

CHURCHSTREETUMC.ORG/RESOURCES



SHARING SHOP

Between the Sharing Shop locations at Church Street and at the Beacon of Hope, over 7,800 people shopped throughout the year. These shoppers found clothing, household items, and toiletries because of your generosity!

BENEVOLENCE

Have you ever been faced with a final notice on your KUB bill and wondered how you were going to pay? Because of our Benevolence Team at Church Street and BOH, 424 people were able to get assistance in paying their bill.



YOUTH IN MISSION

Our incredible youth group worked together this year to build a porch, tutor at Wesley House, and organize clothing at BOH. In March, they will be heading to Florida to assist in Hurricane Relief. Be praying for their Spring Break Mission Trip!

FOOD BUCKETS FOR ZIMBABWE

In May, Church Street members compiled 50 food buckets as part of our Holston Annual Hands-on Mission project. These buckets were shipped to Zimbabwe to be distributed by our ministry partner, the Ishe Anesu Project.



MISSIONARIES

Your generosity supported the Church internationally through our partnerships with missionaries. Currently, we actively support the Rev. Dowling-Soka in Willow, Alaska, and Rev. Fred and Libby Dearing in South Sudan.

SOUP KITCHEN

Those who know our Soup Kitchen know that it truly is love on a plate. We served over 9000 trays of food to our friends in Knoxville in 2019!



HOW ARE YOU SERVING IN MISSION?

JOIN US ON MARCH 7 & 8 FOR MISSIONS WEEKEND 2020

Contact Rev. Cantler to get involved
pcantler@churchstreetumc.org

Our Prayers

Our Presence: February 23

Sunday School	288
Sunday Worship	607

Our Gifts: February 23

Operating Budget	\$37,181.74
Building Fund	\$2,645.00
Other	\$5,205.00



Altar Flowers

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in memory of Dr. George and Louise Zirkle & Marilyn Zirkle Mize by the Zirkle and Tapscott families.

The Chapel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Margaret and Charles Wayland by Bert and Jennie Ritchie and family.



Give Plus App

It's easier than ever to tithe and give to Church Street. In three steps, you can download, set up, and give directly from a secure mobile giving app. Please search for the GivePlus app in your App Store or Google Play, select Church Street UMC, and begin your donation.

Honorariums

In honor of:

- **Anne Trent**
Altar Guild: Sarah Wimberly
- **Scott Morrell**
Altar Guild: Sarah Wimberly
- **Edie Johnson**
Music Ministry: Sarah Wimberly
- **Kevin & Jamie Anderson**
Music Ministry: Sarah Wimberly
- **Anne Jackson**
Master Arts Series: United Methodist Women of Church Street UMC
- **Verna McLain**
Beacon of Hope: United Methodist Women of Church Street UMC
- **Loretta Best**
Building Fund: Kerry Hodge

See page 3 for Memorials.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

All are invited to join **Rev. Dr. Jim Bailes** in studying *The Last Week*, the critically acclaimed classic by contemporary Christian scholars Marcus Borg and John

Crosson. The volume presents a day-to-day account of Jesus's final days as outlined in the Gospel of Mark. Discussions center around the historical Jesus, but also present a new Jesus, who engages us and invites us to follow him. The book is not mandatory for participants, but will be extremely helpful. Six sessions are scheduled for March 1 through Palm Sunday, April 5, from 3:30 – 5:00 pm in Room 204.

LECTIONARY READINGS

March 1

First Sunday of Lent
Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
Psalm 32
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11

March 8

Second Sunday of Lent
Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 121
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
Matthew 17:1-9

Contact Us

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Staff Directory

Dial 521-0 + extension

Senior Pastor	Chuck Starks–260
Senior Associate Pastor	Dawn Chesser–279
Associate Pastor	Palmer Cantler–298
Minister of Spiritual Enrichment	Jan Wade–264
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	Rev. Andy Ferguson: 865-806-0086
	Rev. Jim Bailes: 865-919-8328
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Music Associate/Organist	Edie Johnson–277
Children's Ministry	Katryn Bancroft–282
Child Care Coordinator	
	Sarah Burtch: 865-567-0913
Youth/College Ministries	Jenny Cross–287
Preschool Director	Beth Libby: 865-524-3511
Church Administrator	Kate Spencer–268
Bookkeeper	Francine Jenne–267
Administrative Assistant	Kelly Woods–262
Executive Secretary	Doris Lively–271
Receptionist	Nancy Keen–270
Part-time Secretary	Eileen Weber–278
Director of Communications	Katie Strangis –299
Sterchi Lodge Caretakers	
	Jack & Barbara Bratton, 828-622-3524
Maintenance Supervisor	Keith Bailey–295
Head Custodian	Jeffery Rose–274
Custodians:	Dedra Ellison, Robin Crain, Kevin Bailey, Jacob Jenne
Beacon of Hope	Dona McConnell: 599-5047



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