

Worship

OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 3

5th Sunday of Easter

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11 AM – Nave

Rev. Andy Ferguson

Wednesday, May 6

Midweek Communion

Noon - Chapel

Rev. Ashley Helton

Lunch is served in Parish Hall at 12:30 p.m. after the service. Call 524-3048 to make reservations.

Thursday, May 7

Community Worship

Noon - Chapel

Rev. Matt Hampton

Sunday Supper

5-5:45 PM in Parish Hall

\$7 (12 & up) • \$4 (children)

Sunday, May 3

Reservations Required

Family maximum \$25.

Menu:

Pot roast, mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetables, yeast rolls, and red velvet cake.

Reservations needed by noon on Thursday; call 524-3048.

Join us This Sunday For Evensong

Please join us for a time of worship and music, presented by our Youth and Children's Choirs on Sunday, May 3, at 6 p.m. in the Nave. The service will include hymns, prayers, scripture and anthems.

Prior to the service, dinner will be served at 5 p.m. in Parish Hall. Please make dinner reservations by calling the church office at 524-3048 or e-mailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org by Thursday, April 30.

Mission Trip Presentation This Sunday

The Missions Committee would like to invite you to Parish Hall this Sunday, May 3, during the Sunday School hour. The Adult & Youth Mission teams from the trip to Bahamas Methodist Habitat will share photos and stories from their trip last month.

On Sunday the mission teams ask you to bring donations of laundry detergent. All donations will be used in both Sharing Shop locations. All types and sizes of detergent will be accepted.



From the Children's Director

-Sue Isbell

Once again I find myself struggling to find words appropriate to express my appreciation for the wonderful celebration of my retirement last Sunday! From the special moments with the children in worship to the warm greetings of old friends at lunch, it was a perfect ending to twenty-three years as Church Street's Children's Director.

I have enjoyed your cards of good wishes, your notes of happy memories, and your generous gifts of appreciation more than you will ever know. Serving on the staff of this great church and the amazing privilege of shepherding so many children throughout the years are the greatest joys I can take with me to the next phase of life. From the bottom of my heart I thank you for your years of support,



your trust, your love and your ever-present eagerness to always welcome children into this vital congregation of faith, hope and grace. Church Street, you are the BEST, and as I study, worship and find new ways to be among you, I will continue to be blessed and honored to call you my family.

Pathfinders Plan Fall Trip

Members of the Pathfinders Sunday School class are planning a bus trip to Vicksburg, Ms. and New Orleans, departing on Monday, September 14, and returning on Saturday, September 19. Some of the activities planned include touring of the Civil War battlefields in Vicksburg, touring at least one antebellum plantation home, a Slidell, La. swamp cruise, Mississippi riverboat dinner cruise, touring New Orleans, etc. Total cost will be approx. \$1,550 (plus meals) per couple or \$775 per person (double motel occupancy), depending on final number going on the trip. Premier Bus Lines will be our carrier. At the present time, there are only a few remaining seats available. If interested in the trip, contact Bill Roberts, 694-5071.

Women's Bible Study

Here and Now – Living in the Spirit by Henri J.M. Nouwen

Spiritual living takes place in the present; the Spirit meets us in the ordinary. These inspirational reflections cover a number of topics to make us stop, reflect and grow in our relationship with Christ as we journey each day. The topic for each chapter contains questions for reflection and discussion. This four-week study began on Wednesday, April 22, and will finish on May 13. Books cost \$12 and can be picked up in the church office. We will meet in room 201-A from 9-11 a.m. Childcare provided. You may contact Juanita Cowles at 712-3262 or by email at Juanita.cowles@att.net for information and to sign up.

UMW to Host Church-wide Event Featuring Henderson Settlement

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend a dinner in Parish Hall on Tuesday, May 12, to hear Mike Feely, Director of Mission Advancement at Henderson Settlement in Frakes, Kentucky. Henderson Settlement is one of four mission institutions of the Red Bird Missionary Conference. Henderson Settlement covers 1,600 acres and offers multiple programs and activities for the community. There are many opportunities for mission and Church Street hopes to send a team of volunteers to Henderson sometime in the future.

Mr. Feely is a longtime friend of Pastor Matt's, and we hope that many will plan to attend to learn more about this mission that is just seventy miles north of Knoxville. We will gather for a meal at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall and Mr. Feely will then speak to us about the history and ongoing needs of Henderson Settlement. Please mark your calendars and come for a time of learning and of fellowship. The meal is \$7 per person. Reservations need to be called in to 524-3048 or emailed to reservations@churchstreetumc.org by Friday, May 8.



Church Street UMC Calendar: May 3-9

Worship

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)
Sunday, 2 pm, MyVLT
Evensong
Sunday, 6 pm, Nave
Midweek Communion Service
Wednesday, noon, Chapel
Community Worship
Thursday, noon, Chapel

Sunday School—9:40 AM

Music

Adult Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 306

**Hunger Helper
Market
Sundays
8:15-11:15 a.m.
Breezeway**

Meetings & Ministry

Stephen Ministry Training
Sunday, 1:30 pm, rm 201-A
Benevolence Team
Monday, noon, CLC 124
Worship Committee
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 204
Vision Committee
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, rm 201-A
Lay Leadership Committee
Wed., 5:30 pm, CLC 122
Properties Committee
Wed., 5:30 pm, rm 202
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall
Stewardship Subcommittee
Thursday, 5:45 pm, rm 201-A
Moms Group
Friday, noon, rm 103

UMW

Executive Committee
Tuesday, 10 am, rm 204
Mildred Weeks Circle
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, off-site

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Sunday Supper
Sunday, 5 pm, Parish Hall
Bridge
Monday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Yoga
Monday, 7 pm, rm 204
Young Men's Basketball
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym
Wednesday Lunch
Wed., 12:30 pm, Parish Hall
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

Singles

Line Dance Lessons
Thursday, 7 pm, Gym

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Dr. Wender's Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Jesus in the Gospels
Sunday, 3 pm, rm 118
Women's Bible Study
Wed., 9 am, rm 201-A
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A

Youth

Wesley House Tutoring
Tues., 3:45 pm, Wesley House
Middle School Girls Bible Study
Wed., 5:30 pm, CLC17
Youth Band Practice
Wed., 6:45 pm, CLC 11
High School Prayer Breakfast
Thursday, 7:15 am,
Hombreg Chik-Fil-A

Lectionary READINGS

May 3
Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 22:25-31
1 John 4:7-21
John 15:1-8

May 10
Acts 10:44-48
Psalm 98
1 John 5:1-6
John 15:9-17

Reflections

Dear Friends,

Across the years, Church Street has made a number of defining choices. Should the church spend the money for a staff person to work with youth? What about someone to work with children and their families? What about Stephen Ministry or special care for shut-ins? Each of these decisions defines the church. Each decision speaks of priorities. Each decision reveals the church's sense of what this church is going to be.

For many years, generations really, Church Street has provided someone to work in the area of children's ministry. As far back as the 1950s, I recall someone in a much smaller Church Street who worked with children. The church was determined, even then, to make teaching the Christian faith to the children of the church a priority.

For the past twenty-three years, Sue Isbell has filled this priority. In a sense, she has shown us how to include children in the life of the church. She has been the needed advocate for children. She has shown the church ways to include children in our lives. She has been a confidante for parents dealing with the terrible twos or the fearsome fours. She has given us the language to speak of God's mysteries with our children. Moreover, she has filled all of these roles with grace and good humor.

The larger world tends to divide families by age groups or tasks. (Think about schools designed for certain age-ranges of kids from preschool to grad-school.) In contrast, the church invites families to enter worship together. Further, we invite households to become family for each other at church. We swim against this prevailing current on a daily basis. Again, Sue Isbell has been the visible sign of this commitment, and she has done it with insight and grace.

One of the visible signs of Sue's ability to fulfill this commitment can be seen each Sunday on the chancel steps during Moments for God's Children. Certainly, there are other signs of the church's commitment to children and their families. Let us never assume that, just because this has been our commitment for many years that it is somehow automatic or easy. Just ask Sue Isbell at the end of a 12-hour day.

Thank you, Sue; you have shown us how to cherish the children for 23 years. You have welcomed the child in each of us.

-Rev. Andy Ferguson



SINGLES news

The Singles Ministry will host its May dance on Friday, May 1, from 8 - 11 p.m. DJ John Rutherford will play music suitable for line dancing, swing, ballroom, country couples, and freestyle. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. for a couples dance or line dance lesson. Your \$7 admission includes the dance, lesson, soft drinks, snacks, birthday cake, and door prizes. This event is a part of the ongoing outreach ministry of Church Street. All are welcome! For more information, contact Barb at barbarastinnett@charter.net or Don at dlasbury@nxs.net.

MISSIONS news

The Missions Committee has budgeted funds to assist adult Church Streeters who are participating in short-term mission trips outside of our church. Applications and guidelines are available in the church office and online at www.churchstreetumc.org. Click on Outreach, then Ongoing Missions. If you need more information, please contact Beverly Smith at blsmith2219@gmail.com.

BAKE sale

The Preschool will host a bake sale this Sunday, May 3, in the breezeway. Please come and bring your favorite goodies to sell. If you don't have any goodies- buy some! Proceeds from the bake sale will go into our Scholarship fund.

Altar Flowers for Sunday, May 3

The Chancel Altar flowers are given by Mr. & Mrs. David Alley in memory of their parents.

The Chapel Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Anne Baker Thornburg by her children.

Kay Center Honor Roll

Mother's Day is just a few weeks away. We invite you to join the Kay Center Honor Roll by honoring a special woman in your life by including them in our Mother's Day Honor Roll--your mother, grandmother, aunt, sister, teacher or friend.

Honor Roll funds will be used to support the Kay Center. Please stop by the tables located in the breezeway on Sunday, May 3, between 9:30-11 a.m. Donations should be made to Church Street United Methodist Church (please write KSCC in the memo line.) All honorees will be named in *The Messenger*. We appreciate your support of the Kay Center.

Stewardship

We will be loyal to the United Methodist Church and support it with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.

Our Prayers

In the Hospital:

UT: Marjorie Siddens

Parkwest: Evans Roth

Home from the Hospital:

Gene Flinter, Bob Paulson, Doris Trent

Christian Sympathy to:

Velma Howell on the death of her brother, Wayne Riley, on April 16.

James Crowson on the death of his brother, Bill Crowson, on April 19.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	843
Sunday School	394

Our Church Family

Baptism:

- **Heidi Marie Harris**, daughter of Jennifer & David Harris III, was baptized on Sunday, April 26, at the 11 a.m. service.

Confirmation Class 2015:

- **Alexander Reuel Birdwell** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Robert Wyatt Bradley** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Gavin McLean Carroll** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Anna Grace Cathey** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Eli Sullivan Cowart** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Nicholas Christian Dagle** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Henry Stephen Dansereau** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Anna Clare Duncan** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Claire Elizabeth Hamilton** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Samuel Austin Henry** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Mary Katherine Holladay** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Isabella Skye Johnson** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Graham Henry Lischer** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Rebecca Abigail May** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
- **Caroline Merritt Powell** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.

Memorials

In Memory of:

- **David Adcock**
Soup Kitchen: Elizabeth Reagon
- **David Alley**
Pastoral Special Needs Fund: Dr. Frank & Anna Gray
- **Betty Bell**
Capital Campaign: Doug & Emily Smith
Capital Campaign: Hubert & Nancy Thompson
Capital Campaign: Gretchen McKee
Music: Marialice Wilson
Rejoice: Elizabeth Reagon
- **Sara Callaway**
Capital Campaign: Keith & Linda Biggers
- **Kathleen Crawford**
Music: Ann Warwick
- **Ruth DeFriese**
Pastors' Discretionary Fund: Mr. & Mrs. Bill Weeks
- **Joseph Golden**
Memorial: Albiston, Smith & Legberger, PLLC
Rejoice: Elizabeth Reagon
- **Janet Lundy**
Capital Campaign: Joan Lundy DeLosh
Capital Campaign: Georgiana Vines
Capital Campaign: TN Tech Center for Manufacturing Research
Capital Campaign: Bill & Sandra Roberts
- **Barry Stoess**
Capital Campaign: Anonymous
- **Kathleen Weigel**
Capital Campaign: Cherokee Country Club Ladies Golf Association
- **George Zachmann**
Capital Campaign: Anonymous

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- **Blythe & Jack Gulley**
Capital Campaign: Mary Ellen Smethells
 - **Sue Isbell**
Capital Campaign: Jana & William Davidson, Jr.
- Confirmation Class 2015 continued:**
- **Jeremiah MarQuse Robbins** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
 - **Lex Xzavier Scott** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
 - **Franklin Maddox Smith** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
 - **Ava Dean Speckhart Takvoryan** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
 - **Margaret Catherine Troxler** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
 - **William Christopher Walker** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.
 - **Emory Jan Wineland** joined by profession of faith on Sunday, April 26.

Contact Us

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For emergencies, call the On-Call Number and the pastor on call will answer or you may leave a message and the pastor will return your call.

On the Web:

www.churchstreetumc.org
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Staff Directory

Dial 521-0 + extension

Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson-260
Associate Pastor	Matt Hampton-279
Associate Pastor	Ashley Helton-263
Associate Pastor	Nicole Krewson-298
Minister of Spiritual	
Enrichment	Jan Wade-524-3048
Minister of Discipleship	Rick Isbell-266
Director of Music Ministries	Tim Ward-276
Music Associate/Organist	Edie Johnson-277
Children's Director	Sue Isbell-282
Child Care Coordinator	Jamie McKinney-290
Youth Director	Jenny Darden-287
Preschool Director	Beth Libby-524-3511
Kay Center Director	Judith Winters-293
Kay Center	Kay Center Staff-289
Church Administrator	Kate Spencer-268
Bookkeeper	Francine Jenne-267
Communications Director	Caroline Lamar-299
Administrative Assistant	Kelly Woods-262
Ministers' Secretary Emerita	Loretta Best-280
Executive Secretary	Doris Lively-271
Receptionist	Brenda Flenniken-270
Food Services	Mike Weatherly-273
Part-time Secretary	Julie Hill-278
Sterchi Lodge Caretaker	Essie Burgin
Building Superintendent	Walt Sands-295
Head Custodian	Brandon Amburn-274
Custodians:	Matt Newberry, Jason Mallette, Ruth Dalton
Beacon of Hope	Richard Ginn 599-5047



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