

Worship

OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, February 14

1st Sunday in Lent

Worship Times

8:30 & 11 AM – Nave

Rev. David Graves

The Wilderness Stories

Luke 4:1-13

Wednesday, February 17

Community Lenten Service

Noon - Nave

Rev. Nicole Krewson

Lunch will be served after the noon service in Parish Hall.

Thursday, February 18

Recovery Downtown

6 PM - Chapel

Rev. Matt Hampton

Sunday Supper

\$7 (12 & up) • \$4 (children)

Sunday, February 14

Reservations Required

Family maximum \$25.

Menu:

Crispy oven parmesan chicken, buttered pasta, broccoli salad, Garlic bread

Kids: Pizza

Reservations needed by

noon on Thursday;

call 524-3048.

Community Lenten Services

Each Wednesday during Lent, the Downtown Cooperative Ministry hosts a mid-week service. Each service begins at noon and lasts approximately 30 minutes. Lunch follows the service and donations are appreciated. The schedule for the services is listed below. We hope you will join us for these special services throughout the season of Lent.

Wednesday, February 17 - Church Street

Wednesday, February 24 - St. John's Cathedral

Wednesday, March 2 - Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, March 9 - First Baptist

Wednesday, March 16 - First Presbyterian

Master Arts Series: Organ Recital

Join us on Friday, February 19, at 6 p.m. in the Nave for "Beastly Music for the King of Instruments" featuring Church Street organist Dr. Edie Johnson. This unique concert, geared towards audience members of all ages, will feature organ music inspired by beasts along with music that is beastly to play! A highlight of the program will be *A Child's Book of Beasts* for organ and narrator.



Big Read Book Drive

The UMW is collecting paperback books during the month of February as part of Knox County Library's Big Read Program. Knox County Public Library has launched a book drive titled "A Book Can Drive Change." Because Knox County inmates spend up to 23 hours a day in a cell, with access to books, that time can be spent learning, developing new skills, and improving literacy. Bring your books to church during February, and UMW will deliver them for you! Please deposit your books in boxes near the Teaching Christ statue or by Beacon of Hope bins in the hallway between the Parish Hall and church offices.

Be a Part of Recovery Downtown

We invite you to join us for "Recovery Downtown" on Thursday nights at 6 p.m. in the Chapel. Our worship is rooted in the Taize tradition, and features accompaniment on Celtic Harp, Native American pipes, and other instruments. Worship includes congregational singing in the Taize style, the reading of Psalms and other scriptures, a time of silent meditation, a homily, and a time of prayer. This is a place for everyone, including individuals who've felt excluded from "church" in the past, and individuals who may have felt that their lives were too messy for Sunday morning. We invite you to come as you are, and to be yourself.

After the worship service, we break into small groups. If you have an interest in one of the small groups, please contact Rev. Matt Hampton at 865-521-0279 or mhampton@churchstreetumc.org.



Sign Up Now for CPR/AED Training

This month you will have the opportunity to attend CPR/AED (automated external defibrillator) training at Church Street. The training will be held on Wednesday, February 17, from 6-9 p.m. in CLC 120. The cost is \$20 per person to be paid on the night of the class. Advanced reservations are required, so please contact the church office at 524-3048 by Monday, February 15, to sign up. Contact John Hollingsworth at 806-4477 with any questions.

Marriage Enrichment Opportunity

You and your spouse are invited to a Marriage Enrichment meeting on Thursday, February 18, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. We will meet in room E-01 on the lower level of the Education Building. This month we will explore the question "Are you taking time to stay in love?" Please call the church office at 524-3048 to register if childcare is needed.

Closing Policy for Winter Weather

In the case of inclement weather or emergency, a decision to close the church will be made by 6 a.m. of the day in question. This decision will be made by the Church Administrator and Pastoral Staff in consultation with other groups that may be affected, such as the Kay Center and Preschool. A decision will be made by noon for the afternoon and evening scheduled activities. When the decision is made to close, all activities will be canceled and the building secured. Decisions will be communicated by social and public media, phone and email.

Leadership Conference February 26-28

We invite you to be a part of this important event in the life of our church. Dr. Wes Griffin, an inspirational speaker, will focus on church leadership with a missions emphasis. The conference is free, but we ask that you call 524-3048 or e-mail reservations@churchstreetumc.org by Tuesday, February 23, to make reservations so we can plan for meeting space and food services. Children's activities will be provided.

Friday, Feb. 26

6 p.m. - Dinner
7-9 p.m. - "The Power of Vision"

Saturday, Feb. 27

9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - "How to Grow an Acts 1:8 Church"

Sunday, Feb. 28

8:30 & 11 a.m. - "Workers for God's Harvest"



Church Street UMC Calendar: February 14-20

Worship

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)
Sunday, 2 pm, MyVLT
Community Lenten Service
Wed., noon, Nave
Recovery Downtown
Thursday, 6 pm, Chapel

Sunday School-9:40 AM

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Dr. Wender's Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Contemplative Prayer Group
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 301
Covenant Bible Study
Sunday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Women's Bible Study
Wed., 9 am, rm 201-A
Pastor's Bible Study
Wed., 7 pm, rm 202

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Sunday Supper
Sunday, 4:45 pm, Parish Hall
Bridge
Monday, 6 pm, CLC 124
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

UMW

UMW Book Club
Wednesday, 1:30 pm, rm 103
Izzy's Girls
Thursday, 7 pm, off-site

Youth

Wesley House Tutoring
Tuesday, 3:45 pm, Wesley House
Guys Bible Study
Wed., 5:30 pm, lower CLC
Youth Band Rehearsal
Wed., 6:45 pm, CLC 11
Prayer Breakfast
Thursday, 7:15 am, Bearden
Chik-Fil-A

Music

Youth Choir
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 306
Primary Choir (1st-2nd grades)
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 308
Chorister Choir (3rd-5th grades)
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 306
KinderChoir
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 212
Parish Adult Choir
Wed., 7 pm, rm 306
Master Arts Organ Recital
Friday, 6 pm, Nave

Singles Ministry

Lunch Bunch
Sunday, noon, off-site
Line Dance Lessons
Thursday, 7 pm, Gym
Game Night
Friday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120

Meetings & Ministry

Benevolence Team
Monday, noon, CLC 127
Kay Center Support Group
Monday, 3 pm, CLC 120
Records & History
Monday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Finance Committee
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 204
Trustees Committee
Wed., 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Kay Center Board
Wed., 5:30 pm, CLC 122
CPR/AED Training
Wed., 6 pm, CLC 120
Missions Committee
Wed., 6 pm, rm 204
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall
Staff-Parish Relations
Thursday, 5:30 pm, CLC 120
Marriage Mentoring Group
Thursday, 6:30 pm, E-01

Lectionary READINGS

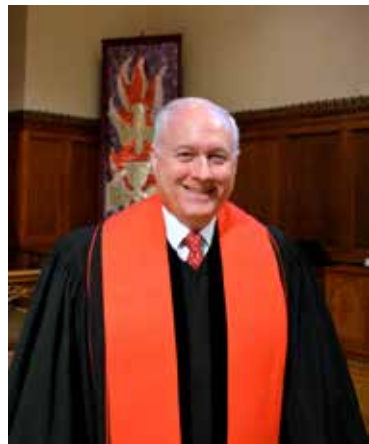
February 14
Deuteronomy 26:1-11
Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16
Romans 10:8b-13
Luke 4:1-13

February 21
Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
Psalm 27
Philippians 3:17-4:1
Luke 13:31-35

From the Pastor

-Rev. David Graves

This past Sunday was a wonderful day of worship which concluded with our Treble Festival in the afternoon. I am thankful for our music ministry and all the other churches that joined together Sunday afternoon to bless us. Following morning worship, approximately 150 people joined me for lunch and a time of sharing around the upcoming General Conference, which will be held in Portland, Oregon, May 10-20. I appreciate those who could attend and the spirit of our time together. I know many have specific concerns, wishes, and desires for our polity and doctrine of the United Methodist Church.



I call each of us to be in a spirit of prayer that amongst our differences we could stay united and seek to work toward making disciples for the transformation of the world. My desire is to have more specific discussions around General Conference in small groups as we move toward May.

I appreciate your prayerful support and patience as I seek to lead our Holston Delegation, work through the Episcopal nominee process, and pastor this great church.

This Ash Wednesday we begin the season of Lent, 40 days before Holy Week and Easter. This year, Easter comes quickly on March 27. Personally during these 40 days, I am seeking to go deeper in my prayer time, self-reflection, and spiritual walk with Christ. This is what Lent calls us to amongst our journey in life. Many people give something up for Lent, which is a good thing; yet, as we give up something, what will be the things of Christ we seek to pour into our lives? This is where life transformation begins to take place.

The ministry of Church Street is transforming lives each and every day. We will seek to go deeper in our ministries as we host our Missions/Leadership Conference on February 26-28. I am asking all of you who serve in Church Leadership along with anyone who is interested to plan to be a part of these days.

I look forward to seeing you Sunday as I share "The Wilderness Stories" from Luke Chapter 4.

In Christ,
David

SHARING s h o p s

Laundry detergent continues to be one of the most requested items in our Sharing Shops. We are making plans to hold a detergent making workshop at Vestal, and we are in need of small containers. Cool Whip tubs are approximately the size we need, and we ask that you collect plastic tubs of this size and bring them to the church office.

KAY CENTER n e w s

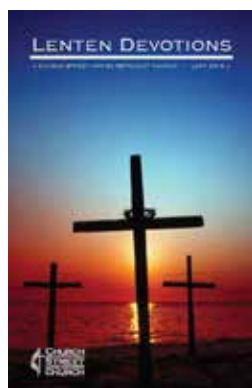
Through the Kroger Community Rewards Program, you can link your Kroger Plus Card to the Kay Center and earn money for the Center every time you shop. All you need is a Kroger Plus card and a Kroger Rewards Account.

If you have a Kroger Rewards Account, sign in and click account setting. Then scroll to the bottom of the page, click on edit in the Community Rewards Program box and follow the instructions.

If you do not have a Kroger Rewards Account, go to www.kroger.com, create an account, and add your Kroger Plus Card to the account. The number for the Kay Senior Care Center is 80410. If you have any questions, please contact Judith Winters at 521-0293 or jwinters@churchstreetumc.org.

SINGLES n e w s

The Singles Ministry invites you to be a part of their 2016 Kick-Off Dinner on Friday, February 12. We will gather at 6 p.m. in Parish Hall for dinner and fellowship. Pastor Matt will be our speaker for the evening and Clint Ellison will provide special music. The cost is \$5 per person and reservations are required. Please call 524-3048 to make a reservation. All are invited!



Lenten Devotion Books Available This Week

This week we begin the season of Lent. The Congregational Care Committee has prepared a book of Lenten Devotions. It includes a devotion for Ash Wednesday and each Sunday in Lent. It also includes one daily devotion for Holy Week, including Easter. Please pick up your copy this week at church.

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: Juanita Doss

Christian Sympathy to:

The family of Robert Long on his death on February 3.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	740
Sunday School	412

Our Gifts (1/31)

Received toward budget	\$33,288.53
Capital Campaign	
Contributions	\$3,843.33
Other	\$4,312.94

In Memoriam

Robert (Bob) Long

Joined: 2/23/1969 Died: 2/3/2016

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- **Mary Cartwright**
Gardens: Vicky Gardner

Altar Flowers for Sunday, February 14

The Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Dr. & Mrs. W. C. Alford by their daughter, Sara Jane Alford Francis.



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:

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Staff Directory

Dial 521-0 + extension

Senior Pastor	David Graves–260
Associate Pastor	Matt Hampton–279
Associate Pastor	Barbara Clark–263
Associate Pastor	Nicole Krewson–298
Minister of Spiritual	
Enrichment	Jan Wade–264
Minister of Discipleship	Rick Isbell–266
Director of Music Ministries	Tim Ward–276
Music Associate/Organist	Edie Johnson–277
Children's Director	Katryn McKinney–282
Child Care Coordinator	Sarah Burtch–290
Youth/College Ministries	Jenny Cross–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	–274
Custodians:	Matt Newberry, Jeffery Rose, Stacey Mitchell, Lee West, Ruth Dalton
Beacon of Hope	Dona McConnell 599-5047



UMW News

Book Review

Please join us for our next United Methodist Women book club. We will gather in Cox Parlor on Wednesday, February 17, at 1:30 p.m. Pat Bellingrath will review *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson. This is a Social Action book. Everyone is invited and you do not have to read the book prior to the meeting. We hope you will join us!

Call to Prayer

Please save the date for our Call to Prayer and Self-Denial service on Tuesday, March 8, at 11 a.m. in the Nave. Rev. Leah Burns will be our guest speaker. Lunch will be served in the Parish Hall following the program, and the cost is \$7. Make reservations by calling 524-3048 or e-mailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org by Thursday, March 3.

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