

## Worship

### OPPORTUNITIES

**Sunday, March 6**

*4th Sunday in Lent*

**Worship Times**

8:30 & 11 AM – Nave

Rev. Matt Hampton

All the Above

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

**Wednesday, March 9**

**Community Lenten Service**

Noon - First Baptist Church

Lunch will be served after  
the service.

**Thursday, March 10**

**Recovery Downtown**

6 PM - Chapel

Rev. Tim Kobler

**Sunday Supper**

\$7 (12 & up) • \$4 (children)

**Sunday, March 6**

**Reservations Required**

Family maximum \$25.

**Menu:**

Roast beef, roasted potatoes & gravy,  
green beans, dinner rolls, salad and dessert

Kids: Corn dogs & fries

**Reservations needed by**

**noon on Thursday;**

**call 524-3048.**

## Discover Church Street

The next Discover Church Street class for prospective members will take place on Sunday, March 6, at 4 p.m. in room 120 of the Church Life Center. This one-time class, for persons who have been visiting our church and want to know more, is led by our clergy staff. It includes information about the beliefs and practices of The United Methodist Church, the mission and ministry of Church Street and how one can become involved. It includes a complimentary dinner, a full building tour and a time to ask questions. It is a fun and relaxed time to know more about becoming a member of Church Street. If you would like more information, please contact Rev. Rick Isbell, Minister of Discipleship at 521-0266 or risbell@churchstreetumc.org.

## UMW Call to Prayer and Self-Denial Service

Please join United Methodist Women as we come together to hold our annual "Call to Prayer and Self-Denial" service on Tuesday, March 8, at 11 a.m. in the Nave. We are thrilled that Rev. Leah Burns will deliver the message based on our UMW 2016 theme: "Women at Work: Economic Justice and Empowerment." A part-time local pastor, Rev. Burns serves in the Holston Conference. Leah says that at an early age her Christian faith and Wesleyan roots aroused in her a passion and desire to advocate for women and be involved in issues of women's empowerment. Leah once served as an associate pastor here at Church Street, and we look forward to hearing her speak on this important and timely issue. Lunch will be served afterward in the Parish Hall, and reservations should be made by calling the church office at 524-3048 or emailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org by Thursday, March 3.

We ask that everyone bring a jar of peanut butter to this program. We will be donating the peanut butter to Smokey's Pantry on the UT campus. This new food pantry operates in Tyson House and serves students who struggle to buy food. Rev. Tim Kobler of the Wesley Foundation says there are many students on campus who often go hungry due to limited resources.



## 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, March 2 - Immaculate Conception**

**Wednesday, March 9 - First Baptist**

**Wednesday, March 16 - First Presbyterian**

## Master Arts Series: Bethel University Choir

On Sunday, March 20, the Church Street Master Arts Series presents the Bethel University Choir under the direction of Dr. Gene Peterson. Enjoy this enchanting evening featuring the Bethel University Choir from St. Paul, MN, along with the Cedar Springs Presbyterian Rejoice Youth Choir and the Church Street Parish Youth Choir. This free event begins at 6 p.m. in the Nave.



## Support the Benevolence Team With This Week's Communion Offering

The Benevolence Team at Church Street relies on generous donations from the congregation to fund its programs. The gifts you bring during communion this Sunday and each first Sunday will make a difference in the lives of many who are served through the Benevolence ministry. Please give generously.

## Recovery Downtown

Join us on Thursdays at 6 p.m. in the Chapel for Recovery Downtown. This weekly service focuses on health, healing, and wholeness. Recovery Downtown meets weekly, followed by small groups. If you want more information about our small groups please contact Pastor Matt Hampton at 865-521-0279 or at [mhampton@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:mhampton@churchstreetumc.org).



## College Scholarship Applications Due April 10

Each year Church Street gives out two scholarships to support our students in higher education. The Carrie Ellis Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior who has been highly involved in the life of our church and youth group. The Frankie Sherman Rasnake Scholarship is available for graduating seniors, current college students, and graduate students who demonstrate financial need and high achievement. Applications are available now in the church office and on the church website. Please turn in all applications to the church office no later than April 10. Our prayers and well wishes are with each of you as you make such important decisions about your educational future.

## Church Street UMC Calendar: March 6-12

### 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, First Baptist  
Recovery Downtown  
Thursday, 6 pm, Chapel

### Sunday School—9:40 AM

### 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  
Parish Adult Choir  
Wed., 7 pm, rm 306

### 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  
Men's Basketball  
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

### Personal & Spiritual Growth

Financial Peace University  
Sunday, 3:30 pm, rm 202  
Dr. Wender's Bible Study  
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204  
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

### UMW

Circle #7  
Tuesday, 10 am, rm 204  
Circles # 4 & #10  
Tuesday, 10 am, CLC 14  
Circle #12  
Tuesday, 10:30 am, off-site  
Call to Prayer Service  
Tuesday, 11 am, Nave  
Circle #8  
Tuesday, 1:30 pm, rm 201-A  
Mary & Martha Circle  
Wed., 7 pm, rm 103

### Singles Ministry

Line Dance Lessons  
Thursday, 7 pm, Gym

### Meetings & Ministry

Stephen Ministry  
Sunday, 1:30 pm, rm 201-A  
Discover Church Street  
Sunday, 4 pm, CLC 120  
Benevolence Team  
Monday, noon, CLC 127  
Preschool Board  
Tuesday, 5:30 pm, rm 202  
Bicentennial Volunteer to Serve  
Wed., 9:30 am, rm 201-C  
Trustees Committee  
Wed., 5:30 pm, rm 201-A  
Missions Committee  
Wed., 6 pm, rm 204  
Adult Council  
Wed., 6 pm, rm 201-C  
Soup Kitchen  
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall  
Moms Group  
Friday, 10 am, rm 119

### Lectionary READINGS

**March 6**  
Joshua 5:9-12  
Psalm 32  
2 Corinthians 5:16-21  
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

**March 13**  
Isaiah 43:16-21  
Psalm 126  
Philippians 3:4b-14  
John 12:1-8

## From the Pastor

-Rev. David Graves

As we move into March, many folks in the high school and college basketball world call this time of the year March Madness. For it is during March, the regular seasons are concluding, and it is tournament time where basketball championships are determined. Multiple games are played, teams eliminated and champions crowned.

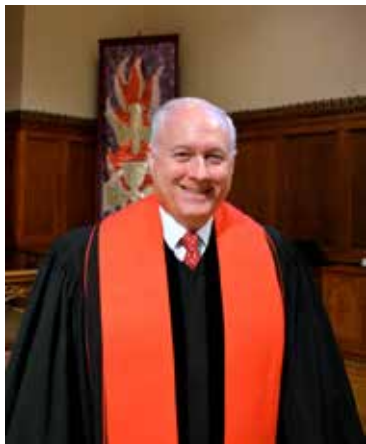
Many years ago, I had someone describe the March Madness basketball season in a different way. They looked at the beginning of March as a new season. Their rationale was no matter what kind of season your basketball team had through February, it was a new season and anyone could win the championship.

We are now in March, but more importantly, it is Lent, a new season for us to live life. No matter what has been happening in our lives, a life in Christ is always a new season, a new beginning, and a hope that pass all our understanding. Jesus has already given us the crown of righteousness of life everlasting.

It is March. A month filled with basketball tournaments, spring breaks, changing weather, flowers blooming, grass growing, and life begins to reappear in nature. Yet, I encourage you not to miss the new season that Easter brings us. I also want to thank all of you who participated in our leadership weekend. It was a blessed time with Dr. Wes Griffin, Peter and Esther Pereira. Moreover, I want to thank our Missions Team for hosting the weekend. It will be interesting to see what will grow out of these days of February moving forward.

Thank you for your prayers, encouragement, and all the things you do to share Christ in this place, across the street and around the world. It is a new season!

In Christ,  
David



## SINGLES news

The Singles Ministry will host its First Friday dance on Friday, March 4, from 8-11 p.m. in the gym. 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. For more information, contact Barb at [barbarastinnett@charter.net](mailto:barbarastinnett@charter.net) or Don at [dlasbury@nxs.net](mailto:dlasbury@nxs.net).

## CONFERENCE news

All adults ages 55+ are invited to the 15th annual Jubilation retreat, sponsored by the Holston Conference. The three-day event will be held at the MainStay Suites in Pigeon Forge, TN, on April 17-20. This year's theme is "Our Never Ending Story" and will feature several storytellers as well as the Tennessee Wesleyan Concert Choir. You can register by visiting <http://jubilation.holston.org>. Registration deadline is March 15.

## SHARING shops

We appreciate your support of both of our Sharing Shop locations. Below is a list of most-needed items. You may bring your donations to church and place them in the marked bin outside the kitchen across from room 118. Thank you again for your generosity!

- Toilet paper
- Diapers
- Dishwashing liquid
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Laundry detergent

## ONLINE giving

Did you know you can support the programs and ministries of our church by giving online? Log on to [www.churchstreetumc.org](http://www.churchstreetumc.org) and click "Give Online" on the home page. You can choose a one-time payment or set up a recurring gift.

## Women's Bible Study

*James – Mercy Triumphs* by Beth Moore

Your story is powerful. Your heartbreak, sickness, and failures are not empty. Those holes in your heart leave space for God's mercy to fill, making you complete. Your life story is proof of that, just like James. Jesus's brother started out as a skeptic. Get to know both the man and the Book of James, and see how one glimpse of the resurrected Savior turned an unbeliever into a disciple.

This eight week study has a weekly DVD and homework. We will begin on Wednesday, March 23 and end on May 11. We will meet from 9-11 a.m. in room 201-A. Childcare is provided. The cost of the study guide is \$17 and will be handed out at the first class. Please contact Juanita Cowles at 865-712-3262 or by email at [Juanita.cowles@att.net](mailto:Juanita.cowles@att.net) for information and to sign up.





## 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: Randall Scott

**Home from the hospital:** Chelse Stevens and baby, Paul Shipley to Shannondale, Bob Columer to NHC Farragut

#### Christian Sympathy to:

The family of Juanita Doss on her death on February 25.

Elizabeth Walton and Andy Hillmer on the death of their cousin, Sam Beall, on February 26.

### Our Presence

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|----------------|-----|
| Sunday Worship | 708 |
| Sunday School  | 332 |

### Our Gifts (2/21)

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|------------------------|-------------|
| Received toward budget | \$31,794.97 |
| Capital Campaign       |             |
| Contributions          | \$4,765.21  |
| Other                  | \$8,398.22  |



**Reminder: Easter lilies will be on sale Sundays, March 6, 13, and 20, in the Chapel hallway. You may also order by calling the church office at 524-3048 by Monday, March 21, at noon. Cost is \$12.**

## Our Church Family

### Birth:

- **Theodore Douglas Stevens**, son of Scott and Chelse Stevens, was born on February 22.

## Honorariums

### In Honor of:

- **Mary Lou Longmire**  
*Sharing Shops:* Josephine Wiegiers
- **Peggy Tillery**  
*Sharing Shops:* Josephine Wiegiers

## Memorials

### In Memory of:

- **John Ed Cox**  
*Music:* Judy & John Eichorn
- **AB Fuller**  
*Capital Campaign:* Dorothy Winfrey  
*Capital Campaign:* James Boehms  
*Capital Campaign:* Karen McKinney

### In Memoriam

#### Janis Peacock

Joined: 07/12/1998 Died: 2/24/2016

### In Memoriam

#### Juanita Doss

Joined: 12/05/1971 Died: 2/25/2016

### Altar Flowers for Sunday, March 6

**The Chancel Altar flowers** are given in loving memory of Marilyn Zirkle Mize and Dr. George A. Zirkle by the Zirkle and Tapscott Families.

**The Chapel Altar flowers** are given in honor of John & Mary Jane Ripley by Bennett and Evelyn Horton.

*Living Christ,  
Teaching Christ,  
Offering Christ*

## Contact Us

Church Office (865) 524-3048  
Hours: Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Fax number (865) 521-0288  
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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](http://www.churchstreetumc.org)  
Watch *Rejoice!* on our web site.  
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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,<br>Jeffery Rose, Stacey Mitchell,<br>Gerald Ferguson, Lee West, Ruth Dalton |
| Beacon of Hope                   | Dona McConnell 599-5047  |



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