

Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, March 13

5th Sunday in Lent

Worship Times

8:30 & 11 AM – Nave

Rev. David Graves

Love Has Its Ways

John 12:1-8

Wednesday, March 16

Community Lenten Service

Noon - First Presbyterian Church

Lunch will be served after
the service.

Thursday, March 17

Recovery Downtown

6 PM - Chapel

Rev. Matt Hampton

Sunday Supper

Please note: there will
be no Sunday Supper on
Sunday,
March 13.

Community Lenten Service

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 9 - First Baptist

Wednesday, March 16 - First Presbyterian

Bethel University Choir



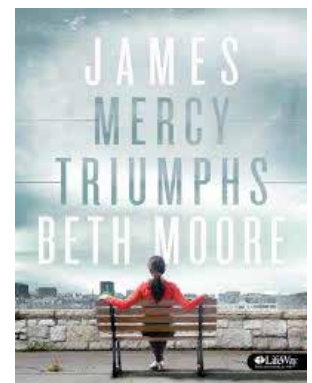
On Sunday, March 20, the Church Street Master Arts Series presents the Bethel University Choir under the direction of Dr. Gene Peterson. We hope you will join us for this enchanting evening of music featuring the Bethel University Choir from St. Paul, MN, along with the Cedar Springs Presbyterian Rejoice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

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 for information and to sign up.



Support the Kay Center With Your Kroger Plus Card

We have an easy way to raise money for the Kay Senior Care Center. Through the Kroger Community Rewards Program, you can link your Kroger Plus Card to the Kay Center and begin earning 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 website will walk you through the process. Scroll to the bottom right and click on edit in the Community Rewards Program box and follow the instructions. The Organization Number for the Kay Senior Care Center is 80410. Now you are ready. Just swipe your registered Kroger Plus Card at the register and each purchase you make will count towards the Kay Senior Care Center. If you have any questions, please contact Judith Winters at 521-0293 or jwinters@churchstreetumc.org.

UMW Book Club



Please join us for our next UMW book club. We will gather in Cox Parlor on Wednesday, March 16, at 1:30 p.m. to hear Elaine Ralston review the book *House of Purple Cedar* by Tim Tingle. We hope you will join us. All are welcome and you do not need to have read the book to participate.

Volunteer in the Church Gardens

Spring is almost here and we need volunteers to help get the gardens of Church Street ready for the season. There are many ways you can get involved. An individual, family, small group or Sunday school class can adopt a small area. For example, they might take an area in front of a sign. They can plant and give TLC through fall. You can also partner with a gardener. You or your group can provide the muscle while one of our seasoned gardeners provide the guidance. Summer watering is another way to pitch in. There are garden hoses that reach most areas. Weeding while you're there is an optional bonus. Those who are not up to gardening are encouraged to contribute to our garden fund. The work schedule is flexible. If you are interested, please contact Mary Cartwright at 579-5617.

Church Street UMC Calendar: March 13-19

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 Presbyterian
Recovery Downtown
Thursday, 6 pm, Chapel

UMW

Circle #6
Monday, 1:30 pm, rm 103
Book Review
Wed., 1:30 pm, rm 103
Izzy's Girls
Thursday, 7 pm, off-site

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

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

Singles Ministry

Line Dance Lessons
Thursday, 7 pm, Gym
Game Night
Friday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Financial Peace University
Sunday, 3:30 pm, rm 202
Contemplative Prayer
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 301
Dr. Wender's Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Covenant Bible Study
Sunday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Pastor's Bible Study
Wed., 7 pm, rm 202

Meetings & Ministry

Benevolence Team
Monday, noon, CLC 127
Food Services Committee
Monday, 5:30 pm, rm 118
Records & History
Monday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-C
Finance Committee
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 204
Kay Center Board
Wed., 5:30 pm, CLC 122
Education Committee
Wed., 6 pm, CLC 120
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall
Staff-Parish Relations
Thursday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Marriage Enrichment Group
Thursday, 6:30 pm, E-01

Reminder: There will be no Children or Youth Choir rehearsal on Sunday, March 13 due to Spring Break.

Lectionary READINGS

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

March 20
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Luke 19:28-40
Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11

From the Pastor

-Rev. David Graves

In a previous church that I served, we collected an offering each Sunday for the Holston Conference called "Change for Children." The idea was that people would give their pocket change each week to the children's offering. This offering would be taken to the Holston Annual Conference Session in June and placed with other churches' offerings. Throughout the year, grants would be awarded across the Conference for ministries that impacted children such as after school care, backpack ministries, tutoring, etc.

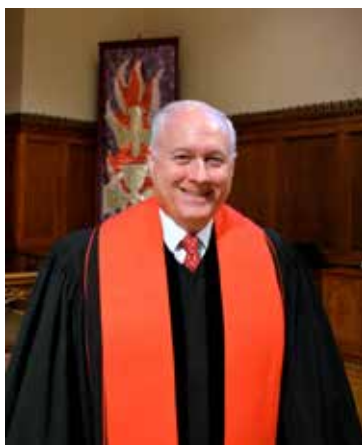
One year, a memorial service was held for one of our faithful members, Richard. Two years later, a gift was made to the church to the Change for Children's offering by Richard, for whom I held his funeral two years prior. You probably want to know how that happened.

It seems that Richard had collected change in a five-gallon glass container. He had done it for years. Following his death, his wife, Betsy, could not bear to part with his coin collection. For years he had put his loose change in the container during the week and to the children's offering on Sunday.

Now two years later, it was time for the June Session of Annual Conference, and we were taking one last loose change offering. On Friday, Betsy came by the church to see me and to bring the container. Betsy had read about the offering and said it was time for Richard to give one last time. It was full and heavy. It seems as if Betsy had kept up the habit of filling the glass container. Betsy shared with me that it was time to empty Richard's change container and put it to good use for the children. Our Church Administrator took it to the bank and had the coins sorted by that thingamajig that does it so quickly. It totaled up to \$546.72.

I wanted a second opinion so I held it up on Sunday morning for the Children's sermon. One of the children with great excitement said, "Wow! There must be a million dollars in there!" You know, I think she was exactly right. Love, priceless!

Thanks Richard! Thanks Betsy!
In Christ,
David



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>. You may also pick up a registration form in the literature racks outside the church office. Registration deadline is March 15.

MARRIAGE enrichment


You and your spouse are invited to a Marriage Enrichment meeting on Thursday, March 17, 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 topic "How We Talk About Money." Please e-mail Cathy Goff at cathygoff4@gmail.com to register for the class.

ONLINE giving

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

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.



Reminder: Easter lilies will be on sale Sundays, March 13 & 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.

Stewardship

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

Our Prayers

Home from the hospital: Randall Scott, Bud Stowers to Shannondale, Fran Wheeler, Bob Columber

Christian Sympathy to:

Rev. Cabel Trent on the death of his sister, Edna Marie Patton Smith, on March 1.

Ann Exum on the death of her son, Riley Exum, on February 27.

Lou Freyre on the death of his brother, Henry Freyre, on February 29.

Libby Gilley and Mary Freyre on the death of their uncle, Henry Freyre, on February 29.

Ray Martin on the death of his son-in-law, JR Burgin, on March 3.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	838
Sunday School	433

Our Gifts (2/28)

Received toward budget	\$33,318.01
Capital Campaign	
Contributions	\$2,592.70
Other	\$1,825

Altar Flowers for Sunday, March 13



The Chancel Altar flowers are given in loving memory of James A. Newman by his wife Jacqueline T. Newman and his daughter Teressia Newman Blair.

Our Church Family

Birth:

- **Logan Alan Hickey**, son of Michael and Rebecca Hickey, was born on March 2. Grandparents are Jeff & Cathy Goff. Great-grandparents are Bob & Norma Goff and Zoanne Bayer.

Memorials

In Memory of:

- **Juanita Doss**

Capital Campaign: Murphy Builders
Soup Kitchen: Dawn von Weisenstein

- **Patricia McFarland**

Memorial: Nancy Jordan

- **Janis Peacock**

Children's Ministry: Karen Disney
Spiritual Enrichment: Cara Cairnes, Brittney Copelan & Family

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.

Contact Us

Church Office (865) 524-3048
Hours: Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Fax number (865) 521-0288
Pastor On-Call Number (865) 320-9100
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
Maintenance	Keith Bailey
Head Custodian	–274
Custodians:	Matt Newberry,
	Jeffery Rose, Stacey Mitchell,
	Gerald Ferguson, Lee West, Ruth Dalton
Beacon of Hope	Dona McConnell 599-5047

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