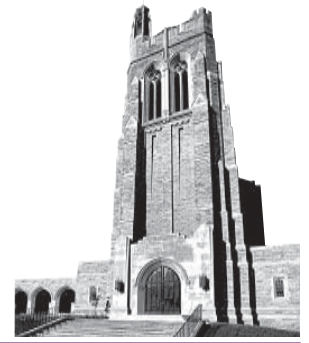


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FOR MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF CHURCH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH • KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE



Sacrament of Holy Communion
One Great Hour of Sharing

• **Sunday, April 3**

Worship

8:30 am & 11:00 am

Rev. Andy Ferguson

• **Wednesday, April 6**

Community Lenten Service

Church Street UMC
(We're the church host!)

12 noon - Lunch follows the service

• **Thursday, April 7**

Vespers

6 pm – Chapel – Chuck Jones

Community Worship

6:30 pm – CLC 120 – Rev. Darryll Rasnake



Sunday Supper

5:15 to 6 pm • Parish Hall

\$5 (12 & up) • \$3 (for children)

Adult Menu:

Bar-B-Q Chicken,
Mashed Potatoes, Green
Beans, Salad, Dessert, Drink

**Children's
Menu:**

Smaller portion of
Adult Menu

REMINDER: Reservations needed.

Please call 524-3048

by noon Friday.

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Church Street to Host Community Lenten Service/Lunch...Wednesday, April 6...12 noon

Community Lenten Services continue in the Church Street Nave on **Wednesday, April 6**. It is our time to be gracious hosts to our friends and neighbors from the other downtown churches and the community. Please join us in giving our guests a warm Church Street welcome.

Special music begins at 12 noon in the Nave with worship at 12:05 pm. A light lunch follows in Parish Hall with donations accepted.

This annual period of *Refreshment and Renewal During Lent* is sponsored by the Downtown Cooperative Ministry, a group composed of the five downtown churches. The remaining service of the 2011 series will be held on April 13 at First Baptist Church. We urge you to take part in this time of midweek worship during Lent.

Churchwide Brunch/Lunch coming Palm Sunday, April 17 Reservations needed by April 14

Have you made your reservations for our next **Brunch/Lunch on Palm Sunday, April 17**? The meal will be served in Parish Hall at 11 am and 12:15 pm seatings.

ALL ITEMS will be offered for \$10 (youth & adults) and \$5 (children ages 3-11). We look forward to you joining us!

NOTE: Reservations are required and can be made by calling the church office at 524-3048 by April 14.

• **Hot breakfast bar**

includes biscuits and gravy, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs, hash browns, and more.

• **Gourmet serving stations**

includes Waffle bar, Eggs Benedict, Turkey Carving Station, Roast Beef Carving Station...with fresh seasonal vegetables and breads.

Handbell Choir participates in Festival this weekend

Church Street's **Parish Handbell Choir** will participate in the Knox Area Handbell Festival on **April 1 and 2**, with 13 other choirs from the Knoxville area.

The **Festival Concert** will be held at **4 pm on Saturday, April 2**, at **Grace Lutheran Church** (9076 Middlebrook

Pike, near Cedar Bluff Road) and is free and open to the public. All choirs will be featured, ringing together with brass and percussion instruments.

For more information about this sure-to-be-entertaining local event, please visit www.knoxareahandbellfestival.com.



Stephen Ministry commissions 7 Church Streeters

At the 11:00 service on Sunday, March 27, two new Stephen Leaders and five new Stephen Ministers were commissioned. Many congratulations to new Stephen Leaders: **Eric Schmittou** and **Fran Wheeler**; and

new Stephen Ministers: **Dan Kelley**, **Tammy Myrick**, **Carrie Pedigo**, **Diane Richards**, and **Donna Schroeder**.

We thank God for using these special persons to provide Christian caregiving to members of our congregation.



Holy Week events coming soon

Please see below for date, time and location information of our variety of Holy Week activities. Mark your calendars now! See next week's *Messenger* for all the specific details.

- **Palm Sunday, April 17**
Worship...8:30 & 11 am...Nave
Congregational Brunch/Lunch...Seatings: 11 am, 12:15 pm
Call 524-3048 for reservations.
- **Sunday-Thursday, April 17-21**
Stations of the Cross...9 am to 7 pm...Chapel
Sunday, April 17...6 pm (Worship/dedication)...Chapel
- **Wednesday, April 20**
Footwashing Service...6:30 pm...Courtyard
- **Maundy Thursday, April 21**
Labyrinth...9 am to 5:30 pm...Chapel
Worship...7:10 pm...Nave
Dinner...5:30 to 6:30 pm...Call 524-3048 for reservations.
- **Good Friday, April 22**
Worship / Tenebrae Service...7:30 pm...Chapel
- **Good Friday Ecumenical Service** – Offsite
Worship...5:15 pm...Market Square
- **Saturday, April 23**
Children's Easter Egg Hunt...10 am...Whitlow Park
- **Easter Sunday, April 24**
Sunrise Service... 6:30 am...Courtyard
Breakfast...7 to 8 am...Call 524-3048 for reservations.
Sunday Worship...8:30 am & 11 am...Nave
Brass quintet begins at 8:15 am & 10:45 am

One Great Hour of Sharing - Sunday, April 3

Join United Methodists everywhere by participating in the special offering that supports UMCOR's vital work. Your gifts to "One Great Hour of Sharing" lay the foundation for UMCOR to bring restoration, healing and hope for tomorrow.

Knoxville Marathon is Sunday, April 3

Please be aware that the annual Knoxville Marathon will be held on Sunday, April 3. For needed information, please check www.knoxvillemarathon.com. Route maps may be found under *Participant Info*. This 26-mile marathon runs through many of the streets of downtown Knoxville and may cause some inconvenience as you come to church. Please plan accordingly.

Carrie Ellis Memorial & Rasnake Scholarship applications available now ... Deadline: April 10

The Higher Education and Campus Ministry Committee is offering two college scholarships.



- The **Rasnake Memorial Scholarship** (\$1,000) is open to members already in college as well as entering freshmen.
- The **Carrie Ellis Memorial Scholarship** (\$1,000) is for a high school senior who has been an active participant in Church Street's youth program and plans to attend college in the fall.

Applications and new reference forms are in the church office and on the youth website, www.churchstreetyouth.com. Return forms (in sealed envelopes, addressed to Higher Education & Campus Ministry Committee) to the office by Sunday, April 10.

CHURCH STREET UMC CALENDAR: APRIL 3-9

WORSHIP

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am
Rejoice!
Sunday, 8:30am (WVLT-TV)
Sunday, 10am (WVLT2)
Community Lenten Service
Wed., 12 noon, Nave
Lunch follows in Parish Hall
Vespers
Thursday, 6 pm, Chapel
Community Worship
Thursday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120

Sunday School • 9:40 A.M.

MUSIC

Youth Choir Practice
Sunday, 4 pm, Choir Room
Primary Choir (1st & 2nd grades)
Sunday, 5:45 pm, rm 301
Chorister Choir (3rd-5th grades)
Sunday, 5:45 pm, Choir Room
Adult Handbell Practice
Sunday 6:45 pm, rm 308
Adult Choir Practice
Wednesday, 7pm, Choir Room

LEISURE ACTIVITIES & FELLOWSHIP

Ladies' Tea
Sunday, 3 pm, CLC 120
Sunday Supper
Sunday, 5:15 to 6 pm, Parish Hall
Bridge: Mon., 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Yoga: Mon. 7 pm, rm 306
Swing Dance Lessons
Mon., 7 pm, Beginning, Gym
Mon., 7 pm, Intermediate, CLC 11
Wednesday Lunch
Wednesday, 12:30 pm, Parish Hall
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym
Dance Lessons
Thurs., 7 pm, Gym

CHILDREN

Children's Gym Time
Sunday, 4 pm, Gym
God's Gang (1st & 2nd grades)
Sunday, 4:45 pm, rm 213
Twizzlers (3rd - 5th grades)
Sunday, 4:45 pm, rm 214

PERSONAL & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Faith & Films (Jones)
Sunday, 3 pm, CLC 123
New Testament Letters (Wender)
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Christian Believer (R. Isbell)
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 202
Financial Peace University (FPU)
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 118
Surprised by Hope Lenten Study
Sunday, 6 pm, rm 119 (Varnell)
Wed., 10:30 am, rm 204 (Rasnake)
Wed., 7:30 pm, rm 204 (Ferguson)
Thurs., 7 pm, rm 119 (Jones)
CollegeLife Bible Study
Sunday, 6 pm, CLC 124
Solo Flight (single parent support group)
Sunday, 6 pm, CLC 123
Women's Bible Study
Wednesday, 9:30 am, rm 202
S.O.S. (Serving Our Singles)
Wednesday, 5:30 pm, CLC 124
Disciple II Bible Study (Jones)
Wednesday, 7 pm, CLC 123

YOUTH

Nightlife Volunteers Mtg
Sunday, 4:15 pm, CLC 14
Nightlife: Sunday, 5:45 pm, CLC
Confirmation Banquet/Rehearsal
Saturday, 6 pm, Parish Hall/Nave

MEETINGS

Benevolence Team
Monday, 1 pm, rm 118
Communications Advisory Team
Tuesday, 7:30 am, rm 202
Stewardship Committee
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 202
Community/Global Missions/Outreach
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, rm 204
Worship Committee
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Properties Committee
Wednesday, 5:30 pm, rm 202
Lay Leadership Committee
Wednesday, 5:30 pm, CLC 122

SINGLES

Singles Leadership Team
Monday, 6 pm, Rm E03
Divorce Care & Rebuilding Orientation
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 103
Friday Games Night
Friday, 6:30 pm, Gym & CLC
Singles Spring Retreat
Friday-Sunday, Sterchi Lodge

Pastor's Bible Study:
See Lectionary Listings on back page
for Sundays, April 10 & 17.

Faith & Film:
The Mission (1986 - PG)



Reflections...on "There's an app for that!"

— Andy Ferguson, senior pastor

Trust American ingenuity to find a better way to do Lent. As Pastor Darryll told the kids last Sunday, Lent is the time we wait for Easter. He offered no shortcuts, no work-arounds. This week in the *Huffington Post*, I found a story about an iPhone app that solves the ancient problem of sin and regret quickly and painlessly and, best of all, with no waiting.

Instead of repentance and self-examination, instead of guilt and dread that your parents will find out, call on an app called, "Last Night Never Happened." The idea is that you link this app to your Facebook and Twitter accounts. When you fire it up on the morning after that big night on the town, it asks, "How far back do you want to erase?" If you wake up early on the morning after, twelve hours of erasure ought to do. If you sleep until noon or so, you might want to go for eighteen hours or even twenty-four. The app then goes through your postings for that time period and cleanses your posted record. So, if your friends (or parents, or kids) haven't gotten up any earlier than you have, the record is obliterated along with all need for guilt, regret, and second-thoughts. What a great app!

The only problem with this app is the unstated assumption that if the record of our lives is not posted on Facebook and Twitter, then nothing happened for which we can be held accountable. My guess is that the Almighty is not amused.

Life is lived in the present-imperfect. The record of our deeds is burned into our consciences and into the heart of God.

There is no "delete" key except repentance. There is no "do-over" command except grace. And Lent is a far more powerful app than "Last Night Never Happened." Lent is our invitation to return to God's grace, knowing that we will find healing for life and our lives. It begins with the confidence that God will welcome us as the Father welcomed the Prodigal Son making his way toward home. It continues as we examine the truth about ourselves. Lent sings the Hallelujah Chorus as we kneel before God in repentance.

Ninety-nine cents for an app that promises "Last Night Never Happened"? Or your whole life in exchange for the whole life of blessedness that God would give? Which will we choose?



Sign-up now for the May–August Four Course Fellowship!

The next 4-month rotation of *Four Course Fellowship* begins in May 2011. For Church Street's version of a dinner club, groups are established and locations, appetizers, salads, entrees and desserts rotate monthly within the group. To sign up or for more details, visit the breezeway on Sundays, April 3 and 10, before or after Sunday School. You may also contact Julia Kelley at 693-6239 (home), 228-0554 (cell) or jkelly2306@bellsouth.net by Easter Sunday, April 24.



Four Course Fellowship

Muslim/Christian Dialogue is April 28

The next *Muslim/Christian Dialogue* will meet on Thursday, **April 28**, at **7 pm** in **room 204**. Attendees will view the 2nd video in the series, *God in America*. This video is about Thomas Jefferson and his quarrel with his own Anglican Church, which was restricting religious freedom.

Want to adopt a garden plot?

We need someone to take over the care of a small garden plot adjacent to the children's playground. There's a few flowers planted; the plot mostly needs some TLC (Tender Loving Care). If you have a green thumb and are interested, please contact Beth Cooper Libby at 524-3511 or bclibby@churchstreetumc.org.

News & Needs

Children's News



• We need candy and small trinkets for our plastic Easter Eggs...in preparation for the April 23 Easter Egg Hunt at Whitlow Park.

Youth News

• **Hey Youth!** Sunday School will change a bit for the next several weeks. We will be offering a series on Easter. The Povedas will teach the 7th-8th grade; Sarah & Daniel Varnell will teach the 9th-11th grade. 12th grade will participate in the Leaving Home series.

• **Nightlife this week:** Did God use Twitter?

CollegeLife News

• **Attention College Students:** Join us for our Sunday night Bible Study for college students with free supper. Supper is at 5:15 pm in Parish Hall with the study, led by Monty & Elizabeth Walton, at 6 pm in CLC 124.

Singles News

• **Donations for "The Cart"** (which benefit Volunteer Ministry Center) continue with Toothpaste for April. The Cart is located outside Parish Hall.

• Call Chuck Jones (521-0298) or pick up a copy of **SingleVision** from the literature racks for a complete listing of opportunities/reservation details.

Web News

www.churchstreetumc.org

• Listen to and watch **REJOICE!**, streamed on our website at www.churchstreetumc.org/stream.php.

• **Join us on FACEBOOK!** Just go to www.facebook.com and search for "Church Street United Methodist Church."

Music News

Music Thanksgivings are being accepted to assist with Maundy Thursday & Easter Sunday instrumentalists.

To make a gift, make check payable to "CSUMC" with reference to "Music Thanksgiving."



Suggested donation: \$25 per memorial or honorarium.

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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:

Ft. Sanders: Margaret Bell (& newborn Camilla Jane)

U.T.: Laverne Headman, Tom Parkhill, Lisa Deaton (& newborn Emily Cleona)

Home from hospital:

John Longmire, Curtis Shelton (to Hillcrest North)

Christian Sympathy to:

Paula MacMorran and family in the death of her father, Leonard Robinson, in Columbus, Ohio, on March 18.

Pat Muncey, Barbara Bridges, Adrienne Anderson, and Deanna Ingersoll in the death of their daughter and sister, Cecilia Annette Bridges, on March 20.

Linda Fenton and Jason Fenton and family in the death of their father and grandfather, Rev. Marvin Gass, on March 23.

Our Presence

Worship (including weekday)	845
Sunday School	460

Our Gifts

Operating Budget	\$21,976
Other Designations	\$2,216

Our Church Family

New Member - March 27

- **Nate Silcott** joined by transfer from St. Matthew UMC, Westwood, West Virginia.

New Arrivals

- **Emily Cleona Deaton** was born to Lisa and Matt Deaton on March 25.
- **Camilla Jane Bell** was born to Margaret and Kevin Bell on March 27. Grandparents are Bill and Janie Dempster and great-grandparents are Wilbur and Ann Warwick.



Memorials

in memory of

- **Robert Ingel**
Children's Ministry Computer Lab: Anonymous
- **Sarah Lay**
Missions: Michael & Kathy Rolan, Carol Gloss, Spiegel & McDiarmid, LLP
- **Rose Piper**
Memorial Fund: Remonda & Roger Alleyne;
Pastors' Discretionary Fund: Dave & Sugar Adcock
- **Leonard Robinson**
Master Arts Series: Allison & Anne Ensor;
UMCOR-Japan: Hugh & Janice Hixson
- **Carol Russell**
Music Ministry: Anonymous
- **Helen Smith**
Rejoice! TV Ministry: Charlotte Kirkland, Holbrook Peterson & Smith, PLLC, Allison & Anne Ensor, Hal T. Randles, Lynn & Jerry Bowling, Jorulf & Aase Brynestad

Prayer requests are always invited

Blue cards found in the pew racks are available for your prayer requests. Placed in the offering plates, these will be lifted at the altar during worship and throughout the week by the clergy staff.



Lectionary Readings

- **April 10**
Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45
- **April 17**
Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16
Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 26:14-27:66

Altar Flowers for Sunday, April 3

- **The Chancel Altar Flowers** are given in loving memory of Susan Moeller and Gene Moeller by Betty, Diane and Michael.
- **The Chapel Altar Flowers** are given in loving memory of David and Pearl Hung by the family.

STAFF (521-0 + ext.)

Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson-236-0951
Associate Pastor	Darryll Rasnake-279
Associate Pastor	Sarah Varnell-263
Special Needs Pastor	Cabel Trent-264
Minister of Program	Rick Isbell-266
Director of Music Ministries	Tim Ward-276
Music Associate/Organist	Eddie Johnson-277
Children's Director	Sue Isbell-282
ChildCare Coordinator	Jamie McKinney-290
Youth Director/Trav. Missions	Marc Gamble-287
Singles Ministry Director	Chuck Jones-298
Communications Director	Teresa Williams-299
Child Day Care Director	Beth Libby-524-3511
Kay Center Director	Judith Winters-293
Kay Center	Kay Center Staff-289
Church Administrator	Charlotte LaFevor-268
Bookkeeper	Francine Jenne-267
Food Services	Susie Varrone-273
Administrative Assistant	Kelly Woods-262
Ministers' Secretary Emerita	Loretta Best-280
Executive Secretary	Doris Lively-271
Secretary	Julie Hill -278
Receptionist	Brenda Flenniken-270
Sterchi Lodge Caretaker	Essie Burgin
Building Superintendent	Walt Sands-295
Custodians	-274

Kevin Compton, Laurie Grooms,
 Tim Montgomery, Matt Newberry

MAIN OFFICE HOURS

8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Church Office: (865) 524-3048

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Pastor-on-Call Number: 236-1518

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

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 the Web



www.churchstreetumc.org