

M THE CHURCH STREET MESSENGER



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

Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, March 3

Third Sunday in Lent

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Nave

Rev. Andy Ferguson

Monday, March 4

Community Worship

6 PM - Chapel

Community Worship

Hospitality Hosts

March 4: Youth

March 11: Crossroads

March 18: Partners

Wednesday, March 6

Noon Lenten Service

Hosted by the Downtown

Cooperative Ministry

St. John's Episcopal

Noon

Light lunch follows the service.

Sunday Supper

5:15–6 PM in Parish Hall

\$6.50 (12 & up) • \$4 (children)

March 3

Baked tilapia with fruit salsa, steamed green beans with cranberries, risotto, salad, chef's choice of dessert, fresh baked bread
Kids: Hot ham & cheese sandwiches & chips

Reservations needed by noon

➔ on Thursdays; call 524-3048 or
e-mail: reservations@churchstreetumc.org

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Master Arts Recital Coming on March 4

Please join Church Street for a Master Arts recital on Monday, **March 4 at 7:30 p.m.** The recital will feature organist Edie Johnson with trumpeter Cathy Leach, and a special guest appearance by Doc Severinsen. The original trumpeter for this recital had to cancel due to medical problems and we are delighted that Cathy Leach is able to join Edie for this event. The renowned Doc Severinsen will join Edie and Cathy for a performance of *Balm in Gilead* for the recital finale. Cathy Leach is professor of Trumpet at the University of Tennessee and Principal Trumpet for Knoxville Symphony Orchestra. Doc Severinsen is best known as the band leader for *The Tonight Show* with Johnny Carson which ruled night TV air for 30 years. **The recital is free and open to the public.**



Bishop Lecture Series to Focus on The Lord's Prayer

The 2013 A. Orin Bishop Lecture Series will feature guest lecturer Dr. J. Warren Smith, Associate Professor of Historical Theology from Duke University Divinity School. Over the two-day series Dr. Smith will explore the Lord's Prayer. It is easily the most familiar prayer and likely the most familiar single passage of Scripture among Christians. It is one of the first prayers learned by little children and among the last elements of Christian worship retained by the waning memory of Alzheimer's patients. In Christian communities where no creed is recited or recognized, there is still the Lord's Prayer. Yet, because it is so well known and can be recited effortlessly, most Christians acknowledge that all too frequently we say it without thinking. Join us on **March 9-10** for this annual lecture series made possible by a memorial gift from the Bishop Family. It is an invitation to explore more deeply what we mean when we pray these familiar words. It is also a guide to help us see the Lord's Prayer as a confession of the New Covenant in Christ that allows us to pray to "our Father."



March 9

9 a.m. - noon

CLC 120

March 10

9:40-10:40 a.m.

4-7 p.m.*

Parish Hall

**Reservations for dinner required. Call 524-3048 or e-mail reservations@churchstreetumc.org.*

SNL Features The Love Kitchen Founders

On **Sunday, March 3, at 6 p.m.** in Parish Hall, Helen Ashe and Ellen Turner will be our featured speakers for the Sunday Night Live Series. Don't miss this opportunity to hear the sisters speak on how they founded The Love Kitchen more than 25 years ago. Supper begins at 5:15 p.m. in Parish Hall. Dinner reservations can be made by calling the church office at 524-3048, or emailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org no later than Thursday, Feb. 28 at noon.

Community Lenten Services Continue

Each Wednesday during Lent the Downtown Cooperative Ministry hosts a mid-week service. Church Street hosted the first one on Feb. 20. Each service begins at noon and lasts approximately 30 minutes. A light lunch follows and donations are appreciated. The schedule for the remaining services is below. We hope you will be able to join in this special time of worship with our brothers and sisters at neighboring churches.

March 6-St. John's Episcopal

March 13-First Presbyterian

March 20-Immaculate Conception



Get Ready to Run for the Kay Center

The Kay Senior Care Center needs runners, walkers and cyclists to participate in a fundraising event coming up in April. The Heels and Wheels Duathlon raises funds for 15 different community nonprofit organizations including the Kay Senior Care Center.

Each organization is responsible for getting

a team of at least 20 people. Each person on the team is asked to raise at least \$100 and be a part of the event on **Saturday, April 13**. All money that is raised by team members will support the Kay Senior Care Center. So if you like to run, bike, walk, or volunteer; the Heels and Wheels Duathlon is for you. To join the team call Judith Winters at 521-0293 or visit heelsandwheels.org for more information.



The people of The United Methodist Church

Thank You for Helping Raise \$2,077 for Imagine No Malaria

Last Sunday afternoon, more than 180 people gathered in Parish Hall for a special fundraising lunch for Imagine No Malaria. The Children's Choir and Drama Troupe performed at the lunch and dozens took a "swat" at Pastor Darryll, who dressed as a giant mosquito, to save even more lives. To see pictures of the event you can log on to the church's blog at www.churchstreetumc.org. Our congregation's fundraising efforts for Imagine No Malaria will continue for several weeks as we work towards our goal of 2,627 lives saved. Please consider a donation and help make a difference.

Church Street UMC Calendar: March 3-9

Worship

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)
Sunday, 10 am (WVLT2)
Wednesday Lenten Service
Wed., noon, St. John's
Episcopal

Sunday School-9:40 AM

Music

Youth Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 306
Kinder Choir
Sunday, 5:45 pm, rm 212
Primary Choir (1st-2nd grades)
Sunday, 5:45 pm, rm 308
Chorister Choir (3rd-5th grades)
Sunday, 5:45 pm, rm 306
Adult Handbell Rehearsal
Sunday, 6:50 pm, rm 304
Master Arts Recital
Monday, 7:30 pm, Nave
Parish Adult Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 306

UMW

Executive Meeting
Tuesday, 10 am, rm 204

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Financial Peace University
Sunday, 3:30 pm, E-01
Christian Believer Class
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 202
Dr. Wender's Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Youth Parent Study
Sun., 5:30 pm, Kay Center
SNL: The Love Kitchen
Sunday, 6 pm, Parish Hall
Men's Bible Study
Sunday, 6 pm, rm 201-A
Wednesday Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday, 9 am, CLC 124
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A
Bishop Lecture Series
Sat., 9-noon, CLC 120

Singles

Bridge: Mon., 6 pm, CLC 120
Line Dance: Thurs., 7-9 pm, Gym
Friday Fun Night
Friday, 7 pm, Gym/CLC

Meetings & Ministry

Benevolence Team
Monday, noon, CLC 127
Stewardship Committee
Tues., 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Worship Committee
Tues., 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Program Council
Tues. 6:30 pm, rm 204
Properties Committee
Wed., 5:30 pm, rm 202
Lay Leadership Committee
Wed., 5:30 pm, rmCLC 122
Singles Advisory Group
Wed., 6 pm, CLC 120
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Sunday Supper
Sunday, 5:15 pm, Parish Hall
Yoga
Monday, 7 pm, room 204
Young Men's Basketball
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym
Youth
NightLife
Sun., 5:45 pm, Lower CLC
High School Bible Study
Tuesday, 8:30 pm, offsite
Middle School Girls Bible Study
Wednesday, 5 pm, offsite
Band Practice
Wed., 6:30 pm, CLC 15
Girls' Basketball Practice
Sun., 7 pm, Gym

The Lectionary READINGS

March 3
Isaiah 55:1-9
Psalm 63:1-8
1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Luke 13:1-9

March 10
Joshua 5:9-12
Psalm 32
2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

I have been sharing “Spiritual Disciplines” for Lent; last week, it was Listen. This week, I suggest the discipline that I will call, “Walk it.” Take this Christian faith that we talk about, preach about, dream about... and walk it. Live intentionally this faith that we describe so eloquently on Sunday in worship and in Sunday School. Walk it whole-heartedly. Walk it generously. Walk it gracefully.

Over lunch, a friend recently shared some (probably unscientific) survey of restaurant servers. They reported that customers at Sunday lunch or Wednesday evening and customers who say grace at their table will most likely be hard to please and stingy tippers. What? Those should be the tables the servers hope to get. Are we walking this faith when people are waiting on us? Throughout this Lent, let us make a point of being kind and generous to the servers at the restaurants where we eat.

At Ministers’ Convocation, Leonard Sweet challenged us to go to google.com and enter the following search: “Why are Christians so”? Stop there and see the way google.com completes the search. Worse, add one letter as if you are starting one more word in the search. “Why are Christians so m”. The overwhelming number of suggested ways to complete the search is negative. As you know, google.com finds answers based on popularity. Why would people using google.com find Christians so negative? Are we walking it?

Jesus told the rich, young ruler, “Go, sell all you have and give to the poor; then come, follow me.” I think that the main point of Jesus’ instruction was to do something so dramatic and defining that you cannot do anything else for the rest of your life. Make a commitment to follow Christ that is so thorough that you will walk it.

So, come to church this Sunday or this Wednesday for worship. Listen for some word of challenge that calls you to a greater life than ever before. Then, take that word and let it shape your walk of faith. In a word, walk it. Walk this Christian faith so gracefully and generously that people around us will be drawn to ask, “How is it that they love so?”



UMW Call to Prayer and Self-Denial Service

Please join us on **Tuesday, March 12** at 11 a.m. for United Methodist Women’s Call to Prayer and Self-Denial service and luncheon.

Joyce Shoudy and Anne Umbach from Family Promise of Knoxville will speak about their

organization’s efforts to provide food, shelter, and support services for homeless families in our area. Most of the families in this program are facing homelessness for the first time due to job loss, medical conditions, and financial problems. The cornerstone of Family Promise of Knoxville is the interfaith network of 16 local “host” churches, which actually house and serve homeless families within their places of worship. Church Street is part of the Family Promise network, serving as one of 26 local “support” churches that provide supplies and volunteer support. According to Family Promise Executive Director Joyce Shoudy, “We respond to this need by integrating educational outreach, smart programming, effective policies, and the hands-on work of thousands of volunteers.”

Lunch follows at noon in Parish Hall. Pre-paid reservations are due to Circle leaders by Thursday, March 7.

Since this is a District event, several other UMW members from other churches will be joining us. Please help us welcome them as we come together for fellowship and to learn about the important work of organizations such as Family Promise, which certainly call us to prayer and self-denial on behalf of all those they serve.

MUSIC n e w s

On Sunday, March 10 the Children’s Choirs will sing (and play) for the 6 p.m. Service at Shannondale Retirement Center—details and exact meeting time will follow. To prepare for this event, we will have a dress rehearsal in the choir room for all who would like to play an instrumental piece at 6:30 p.m. on March 3. If you would like your child to play, please let Edie Johnson know.

BENEVOLENCE n e w s

Do you know about the Benevolence Team? Do you know what they do and how they do it?

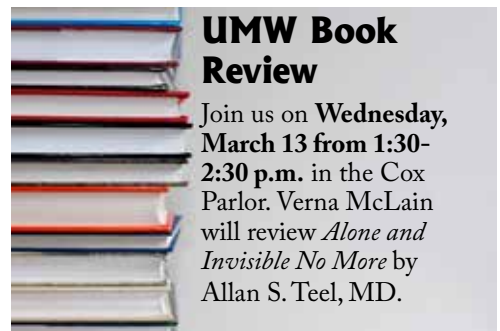
We have a 30-minute slide show that will answer all these questions. Benevolence Team members would love to show you how they help others and answer any additional questions for your Sunday School class or church group. Contact Doug Spencer at 804-4369 or Dan Kelley at 385-1187 to arrange a presentation.

REMINDER

The Messenger will move to an e-mail only format on March 19. Please call the church office if you would like to continue to receive the Messenger by mail. If you are have information (article, photos, etc.) to be submitted to The Mountain, our new monthly magazine, it is due on the first of each month. Please send all submissions to communications@churchstreetumc.org.

SHARING SHOP n e e d s

United Methodist Women continues its mission of operating The Sharing Shop on the second and fourth Monday of each month. Items needed at this time are toilet paper, shampoo, deodorant, dishwashing liquid, socks, and diapers. You may bring these items to the church office or to the shop on the days it is open. Thank you for your generous donations that make the Sharing Shop possible.



UMW Book Review

Join us on **Wednesday, March 13** from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in the Cox Parlor. Verna McLain will review *Alone and Invisible No More* by Allan S. Teel, MD.

THE MESSENGER



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Return Service Requested

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:

Parkwest: Frances McConnell, Barbara Paulson

Blount Memorial: Gordon Abbot

Home from the hospital: Scott Collins

Christian Sympathy To:

Nancy Horton on the death of her husband, John Horton on Feb. 25.

Judy Thompson on the death of her father, Frank Viront on Feb. 20.

Susie Watkins on the death of her brother, Harvey "Buddy" Romines, Jr. on Feb. 19.

The Family of Beverly Dawson who died on Feb. 25.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	790
Sunday School	436
Community Lenten Service (2/20)	147

Our Gifts

Received toward budget	\$ 34,680.17
Other	\$ 9,809.06

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- **Velma Howell**
Soup Kitchen: Anonymous
- **Doug Spencer**
Benevolence Team: Susie Patton
- **Lisa Stanley**
Gardens: Dawn von Weisenstein

CSUMC: "A Beacon—Living Christ, Teaching Christ, Offering Christ"

Our Church Family

Baptism:

- **Mason Bruce Henry**, son of Bruce & Robin Henry was baptized at the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, Feb. 24.

Memorials

In Memory of:

- **Nancy Dennis**
Easter Offering: Cynthia J. Thompson
- **Reuben Hunter**
Soup Kitchen: Anonymous
- **Christine Jones**
Easter Offering: Cynthia J. Thompson
- **Richard Jones**
Easter Offering: Cynthia J. Thompson
- **Nelle Kroll**
Soup Kitchen: Margaret, Carey & Melody Fuller
- **Mack McKinney**
Children's Ministry: Church Street Staff
- **Aileen Young**
Gardens: Ouida Lowry

In Memoriam

John Horton

Joined: 10/26/1997 Died: 2/25/2013

In Memoriam

Beverly Dawson

Joined: 7/11/1993 Died: 2/25/2013

Altar Flowers for Sunday, March 3

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Jane and Boyd Dudley by their family.

The Chapel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Rachel Cochran by Bennett & Evelyn Horton.

Contact Us

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On the Web:

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Staff Directory

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Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson–236-0951
Associate Pastor	Darryll Rasnake–279
Associate Pastor	Sarah Varnell–263
Associate Pastor	Leah Burns–298
Special Needs Pastor	Cabel Trent–264
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	Marc Gamble–287
Preschool Director	Beth Libby–524-3511
Kay Center Director	Judith Winters–293
Kay Center	Kay Center Staff–289
Church Administrator	Kate Bledsoe–268
Bookkeeper	Francine Jenne–267
Food Services Director	Bobby Tolley–273
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
Part-time Secretary	Julie Hill–278
Sterchi Lodge Caretaker	Essie Burgin
Building Superintendent	Walt Sands–295
Head Custodian	Mike Plyler–274
Custodians:	Brandon Amburn, Matt Newberry, Anita O'Dell, Leo Thibeault