

*Worship*  
O P P O R T U N I T I E S

**Sunday, April 14**

*3rd Sunday of Easter*

**Worship Times**

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Nave

Rev. Andy Ferguson

**Monday, April 15**

**Community Worship**

6 PM - Chapel

Community Worship  
Hospitality Hosts

April 15: Followers

April 22: Murphy Builders  
& Potter's Wheel

April 29: Friends in Christ

**Wednesday, April 17**

**Midweek**

**Worship & Communion**

12 noon - Chapel

Mr. Monty Walton

Lunch will follow in Parish Hall. Call  
524-3048 by Monday at noon to make a  
reservation.

**PLEASE NOTE:**  
**There will be no  
Sunday Suppers on  
April 14, 21, or 28**

**Dogwood Arts Nave Tour Offered Next Week**

Join Mary Cartwright and Dwight Wade for a tour of the Nave and learn more about the history of Church Street and its gardens that are featured as a part of the Dogwood Arts Festival. The tours will be held on **Sunday, April 14 and Wednesday, April 17 at 2 p.m.** and will include the Nave and the Chapel. Please invite a friend to join you for these special tours and help our congregation celebrate the arrival of spring to our church grounds. For more on the gardens at Church Street, log on to [www.churchstreetumc.org](http://www.churchstreetumc.org).



**Reservations Needed For Confirmation Banquet**

On **Saturday, April 20 at 6:15 p.m.**, the Confirmation students, parents, mentors, teachers and friends will gather in Parish Hall to celebrate this year's class. The evening will begin with appetizers followed by a catered buffet dinner. After the meal there will be recognition of this year's Confirmation students and a rehearsal of the Confirmation service in the nave. Each student will make his/her profession of faith and be confirmed at the 8:30 a.m. service on April 21. **NOTE:** If you would like to attend the Confirmation Banquet on April 20, please make your reservations by calling the church office, 524-3048 or e-mail [reservations@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:reservations@churchstreetumc.org) no later than Monday, April 15. The cost is \$15/person, payable at the door.

**Help the Hunger Helper Market Grow This Year**

Spring has finally arrived in East Tennessee and that means the start of the Hunger Helper Market at Church Street is just around the corner. The market will begin on **Sunday, April 28**. You will be able to purchase a variety of homegrown and homemade goods donated by our church members. The proceeds from the Hunger Helper market benefit Wesley House and Montgomery Village, as well as Heifer International. Last year the market raised nearly \$5,000. Even if you don't have a green thumb, you can help by staffing the market. Small groups are encouraged to volunteer for the three market shifts each Sunday. Also, this year the market hopes to sell ready-to-eat meal items. If you can help volunteer in any way, please contact Kathy Ehrnschwender at [katheaze@gmail.com](mailto:katheaze@gmail.com).



## UMW Book Review

On **Wednesday, April 17**, Diane Richards will review the book, *Rubble Nation*, about the rebuilding of Haiti after the devastating earthquake there. She will also speak about the Richards' efforts to install water purification systems in Haiti. The session will be held in the Cox Parlor (room 103) from 1:30-2:30 p.m. All are invited to attend, even if you have not read the book.



## AARP Driver Refresher Course Offered In May

This classroom refresher course, for drivers ages 50 and older, explains the changes that occur in vision, hearing and reaction time as we age, and provides useful safety tips for handling these changes. The course is taught by Nancy Carmon and will be held at Church Street on **Thursday, May 2** from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Cost is \$12 for AARP members and \$14 for non-members. Please call the church office at 524-3048 or e-mail [reservations@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:reservations@churchstreetumc.org). Checks need to be written to AARP. **Registration deadline is Wednesday, April 24.**



## Sign Up Now for The New Four Course Fellowship

The next four month rotation of **Four Course Fellowship** will begin in May. In this "dinner club," groups will be established and locations, appetizers, salads, entrees and desserts will rotate monthly within the group.

**Here's how it works:** You sign up (with a spouse, relative or friend) and are placed in an eight-person group to share a meal and fellowship. Your group gets together once a month for four months. The days and times of the meals are determined by your group to be convenient for all eight persons. The host pair provides meat, beverages and home; the second pair provides appetizer and vegetable; the third pair provides salad and bread; and the fourth pair provides dessert. Each month a different team in the group becomes the host. **Here's how to sign up:** Visit the Welcome Center on Sunday, April 14 to sign up. You may also contact Kathy Alexander at 379-5249 or [kr\\_alexander@att.net](mailto:kr_alexander@att.net) by Wednesday, April 17.



## Church Street UMC Calendar: April 14–20

### Worship

Morning Worship  
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave  
*Rejoice!* TV Broadcast  
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)  
Sunday, 10 am (WVLT2)  
Community Worship  
Mon., 6 pm, Chapel  
Meal follows in Parish Hall  
Midweek Communion Service  
Wed., noon, Chapel

### Sunday School—9:40 AM

### Music

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  
Parish Adult Choir Rehearsal  
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 306

### Children

God's Gang  
Sunday, 4:45 pm, CLC 213  
Twizzlers  
Sunday, 4:45 pm, CLC 213

### Meetings & Ministry

Benevolence Team  
Monday, noon, CLC 124  
Stephen Min. Training  
Sun., 3:30 pm, rm 201-A  
Adult Council  
Wednesday, 6 pm, room 202  
Soup Kitchen  
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall

### UMW

Sarah's Circle  
Monday, 6:30 pm, offsite  
Book Review  
Wed., 1:30 pm, room 103  
Izzy's Girls  
Thursday, 7 pm, offsite

### Singles

Yoga: Mon. 7 pm, rm 204  
Line Dance: Thurs., 7–9 pm, Gym  
Friday Fun Night  
Friday, 7 pm, Gym/CLC

### Personal & Spiritual Growth

Dogwood Arts Nave Tour  
Wednesday, 2 pm, Nave  
HAM Radio Class  
Sunday, 4pm, room 118  
Christian Believer Class  
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 202  
Dr. Wender's Bible Study  
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204  
Men's Bible Study  
Sunday, 6 pm, rm 201-A  
Wednesday Ladies Bible Study  
Wednesday, 9 am, CLC 124  
Dogwood Arts Nave Tour  
Wednesday, 2 pm, Nave  
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)  
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A

### Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Bridge  
Mon., 6 pm, CLC 120  
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  
Band Practice  
Wed., 6:30 pm, CLC 15

### The Lectionary READINGS

**April 14**  
Psalm 30  
Acts 9:1-6, 7-20  
Revelation 5:11-14  
John 21:1-19

**April 21**  
Acts 9:36-43  
Psalm 23  
Revelation 7:9-17  
John 10:22-30

## Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson



An odd combination presents itself to us just now: on the one hand, we as a church are celebrating the many groups that make this church vibrant, such as children and youth; on the other, the world is a remarkably dangerous place, especially for raising children and youth. We listed some of the groups that we are celebrating this spring: high school seniors, children, mothers.

The movements that make this world more dangerous just now include the preparations for war on the Korean peninsula, the interminable civil war in Syria, the concentration of shootings of public officials in the US. There are plenty of other worries from which to choose. Part of the worry around these movements is that they hold the possibility of widening into even greater conflicts.

First, I would observe that parents who bring babies into the world are among the most optimistic and courageous people I know. Luckily, parents of infants are not charged with solving the puzzle of world conflict. Still, the act of bringing a child into the world is a statement about their convictions that the future holds opportunities and joys for children prepared to handle its challenges. Hooray for parents!

Second, I want to call on the people of this church to pray and work for a world which welcomes all the children. To pray is to watch for God's answer. To watch for God's answer is to stand ready to be part of God's answer. God never asks Christians to believe so that we can be mushrooms. We believe so that we can join God's answer to the needs and hurts and troubles of this world.

When the confirmation kids come forward to confirm their faith on April 21, their first question asks: "Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject of the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?" As I tell the kids, this question is not about your meanness. God has put the church on his planet to be God's answer to the needs and hurts and evil of this world. The question asks if you are willing to join with God in working for God's answer to the evil of this world.

Indeed this is the conviction all Christians should hold. God believes that a bright, new day is coming. We work for that day because of our children; we work for that day because God already believes it is coming. Working and praying; they are the same thing.

### Special Music This Sunday

This Sunday, April 14, Church Street welcomes the Augusta Youth Chorale from Augusta, Georgia. The choir will perform at both services.



### WNAF Welcomes Knox Co. Mayor Tim Burchett

Join us for the Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship luncheon on **Wednesday, April 24** at 12:30 p.m. in Parish Hall. Our guest speaker will be Tim Burchett, current Knox County Mayor. Cost for lunch is \$6.50. Reservations can be made by calling the church office, 524-3048, or e-mailing [reservations@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:reservations@churchstreetumc.org) no later than Monday, April 22.



The Master Arts Series  
presents

## *Seraphic Fire*

**Saturday, April 27**  
**7:30 p.m.**

Please join us for the next performance in the Master Arts Series. The Grammy-nominated choir will perform in the Nave. This is a ticketed event. You may purchase tickets on the church website or by calling the church office at 524-3048.

### Teacher Appreciation Breakfast

On **Sunday, April 28**, from 8-10 a.m. in the Kay Center, the Education Committee will host a breakfast for all teachers and leaders in our educational ministries. Throughout the year hundreds of persons share their time, talents and resources in helping persons of all ages grow in their Christian discipleship. Our Education Committee wants to show its appreciation by providing a drop-in breakfast. Whether you provide leadership in our Sunday School, share with our youth in NightLife, teach a small group Bible study during the week or help in some way in our Christian education ministries, you are invited. Be sure to come by and have breakfast on us.

**Domestic Violence Helpline**  
**(865) 521-6336**

## 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:* Boots Shuman,  
Frances McConnell

**Home from the Hospital:** Mac Sprouse,  
Fred Shofner, Donnie Murr

### Our Presence

Sunday Worship	667
Sunday School	412
Weekday Worship Services	68

### Our Gifts

Received toward budget	\$42,845.25
Other	\$3,589

## Our Church Family

### Baptisms:

- **Bella Aspen Carroll**, daughter of Brian and Candra Carroll was baptized at the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, April 7.

### New Members:

- **Meghan Mayes**, by Confirmation and Profession of Faith on Sunday, April 7 at the 8:30 a.m. service.
- **Cathy Mayes** by transfer from Seymour UMC on Sunday, April 7 at the 8:30 a.m. service.
- **Dean, Becky, Joseph and Jacob Wessels** by transfer from Christ UMC, Knoxville on Sunday, April 7 at the 8:30 a.m. service.

## Memorials

### In Memory of:

- **John Horton**  
*Memorial:* Mazel Andrews  
*Memorial:* Claire Shepherd

## Honorariums

### In Honor of:

- **Brennan Sullivan**  
*Drama Troupe Ministry:* Laura Still

## Altar Flowers for Sunday, April 14



**The Chancel Altar Flowers** are given in honor of Barbara and Jim Langford on occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary by their children.

## Contact Us

Church Office (865) 524-3048  
Hours: Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Fax number (865) 521-0261  
Pastor On-Call Number (865) 236-1518  
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!* streamed on our web site.  
Follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

## Staff Directory

### Dial 521-0 + extension

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
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	–273
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, Nita O'Dell, Leo Thibeault

## Reminder

College scholarship applications are due to Rick Isbell by Monday, April 15. The forms are available on the church website. If you have any questions, please call Rick Isbell at 521-0266 or e-mail [risbell@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:risbell@churchstreetumc.org).



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

## Church Street Preschool Celebrates The Week of the Young Child

The Week of the Young Child is a yearly event created in 1971 by the National Association for the Education of Young Children. The purpose is to help the public become aware of quality early childhood programs (like child care centers and providers, early intervention services, Head Start, etc.) that are focused on meeting the needs of children in the birth-8 age range. This year, it will take place from April 14-20. Our Preschool's annual family picnic will be **Friday, April 19 at 5:30 p.m.** The children and teachers will also have special days with everything from Tie Dye Tuesday to Wacky Wednesday to help celebrate Week of the Young Child!

