

Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, March 16

2nd Sunday in Lent

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Nave

Rev. Andy Ferguson

Monday, March 17

Community Worship

6 PM - Chapel

Rev. Darryll Rasnake

Upcoming Community Worship
Hospitality Hosts

March 17: Parables

March 24: Cornerstone

March 31: Friends in Christ

Wednesday, March 19

Community Lenten Service

Noon - Immaculate Conception

Hosted by the Downtown
Cooperative Ministry

A free lunch is served afterwards.
Donations are appreciated.

Sunday Supper

5–5:45 PM in Parish Hall

\$6.50 (12 & up) • \$3.50 (children)

Sunday, March 16

Reservations Required

Family maximum \$20.

Menu: Poppy Seed Chicken

Rice Pilaf, Fresh Green Beans,

Homemade Rolls, Apple Spice Cake

➔ Reservations needed by noon
on Thursday; call 524-3048.

Season of Service: Volunteer Opportunities



This year we are focusing on *A Season of Service* During Lent. There are many opportunities for you to serve in our community and beyond. One way you can serve is by volunteering for the upcoming Habitat Blitz. Knoxville Habitat for Humanity's annual multi-house, blitz build is being held April 5-11, and they need additional volunteers. They are looking for five skilled/semi-skilled

helpers each day to assist the crew leaders in prep work and guiding unskilled volunteers. Start time is 7:30 a.m. If you are interested, please email Habitat's volunteer coordinator Trinity Edgar, at tedgar@khfh.com or call 523-3539 x108. Please mention to her that you are from Church Street.

There is another opportunity to serve by participating in Operation Backyard on Saturday, April 5. This program provides free home repair services for low-income homeowners in Knoxville. It is a one-day project involving a roof repair. No carpentry experience is necessary to participate. Contact Grant Rosenberg at grant_rosenberg@yahoo.com or 207-5828 to volunteer.

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 each 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 19 - Immaculate Conception**
- **Wednesday, March 26 - St. John's Cathedral**
- **Wednesday, April 2 - First Presbyterian**
- **Wednesday, April 9 - First Baptist**

College Scholarship Applications Available

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 Rev. Darryll Rasnake no later than April 13, or e-mail them to drasnake@churchstreetumc.org. The recipients of each scholarship will be announced on Senior Sunday in May. Our prayers and well wishes are with each of you as you make such important decisions about your educational future.

Book of Tributes

Church Street's Book of Tributes reflects a tribute to the love, loyalty and dedication of church members now deceased. To nominate a deceased member of our church for the inclusion in the Book of Tributes, please obtain an application from the church office. To be included in this publication the nominee must have been a member or former member of Church Street UMC at the time of death and the person must have made a meaningful contribution to the church by his or her participation and actions. The Books of Tributes are located in the church library - in red binders on the desk to the right as you enter the library.

Holy Land Trip Planned for 2015

Rick & Sue Isbell are planning to host another trip to the Holy Land departing on January 6, 2015. Since 1997, the Isbells have taken six trips to Israel with 84 Church Street members and friends. Each trip has been a life changing event for everyone. On Sunday, March 16, at 7 p.m. in CLC 120, Rick and Sue will hold a meeting for those interested in going to the Holy Land in 2015 and/or want more information. We will share detailed information about the tour company, costs, itinerary, departure date, etc. If you are interested in going to the land where Jesus walked and taught, now is the time for you to begin that journey. If you have further questions, contact Rick or Sue Isbell at risbell@churchstreetumc.org or sisbell@churchstreetumc.org.

Discover Church Street

If you have been visiting Church Street and would like to know more, then you are invited to attend our *Discover Church Street* class on Sunday, March 30. *Discover Church Street* is especially designed for all prospective members who would like to know more about the ministries of our church and the process of joining. The next *Discover Church Street* will take place on Sunday, March 30, from 4-7 p.m. in room 120 of the Church Life Center. Led by Rev. Ferguson, you will get to meet our pastoral staff, know more about The United Methodist Church and Church Street, receive a complimentary dinner and a building tour. For more information, please contact Rick Isbell, Minister of Discipleship, at risbell@churchstreetumc.org.



Stephen Ministry

Your love has given me great joy and encouragement, because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the saints. -Philemon 1:7

Church Street UMC Calendar: March 16 - 22

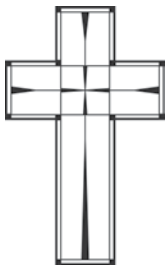
Worship

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)
Community Worship
Monday, 6 pm, Chapel
Community Lenten Service
Wednesday, Noon,
Immaculate Conception

Sunday School-9:40 AM

Music

Adult Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 306



Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Sunday Supper
Sunday, 5 pm, Parish Hall
BodyWorks
Monday, 5:30 pm, Gym
Bridge
Monday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Yoga
Monday, 7 pm, rm 204
Young Men's Basketball
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym
Tai Chi Class
Thurs., 12:30 pm, CLC 11
BodyWorks
Thurs., 5:30 pm, Gym

Youth

Girls Basketball
Sunday, 7 pm, Gym
Middle School Girls Bible Study
Wed., 5:45 pm, Lower CLC
Band Practice
Wed., 6:45 pm, CLC 15

Meetings & Ministry

Renovation & Renewal
Sunday, 12:15 pm, rm 201-A
Financial Peace
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 202
Marriage Mentoring Leaders
Sunday, 4:30 pm, 201-A
Holy Land Interest Meeting
Sunday, 7 pm, CLC 120
Benevolence Team
Monday, noon, CLC 124
Finance Committee
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 204
Community & Global Concerns
Wednesday, 6 pm, rm 204
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall

Singles

FOCUS
Tuesday, 6 pm, CLC 120
Line Dance: Thurs., 7-9 pm, Gym
Game Night
Friday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Contemplative Prayer Group
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 201-C
Disciple 3 Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 118
Dr. Wender's Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Women's Bible Study
Wed., 9 am, rm 201-A
Lenten Bible Study
Wednesday, 11 am, rm 204
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A

The Lectionary READINGS

March 16
Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 121
Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
John 3:1-17

March 23
Exodus 17:1-7
Psalm 95
Romans 5:1-11
John 4:5-42

Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

Ash Wednesday began a day early for me. I went out to supper looking for pancakes – the traditional Shrove Tuesday meal. Our destination was IHOP; “pancakes” are in the name, after all.

When we arrived at IHOP, the place was a madhouse. There were cars in every parking place; I had to maneuver to find a place to park. When I got to the restaurant, the people were lined up outside; the entry area was packed. Further inside the walkway was crowded with people waiting, servers carrying trays; every table was full. The hostess said the wait would be 45 minutes.

I saw our familiar server. “This place is crazy!” She could only agree.

Back outside, I met the friends who were meeting me for supper. They had come the year before; back then the place was empty on this evening. What could account for the change? Looking around, we saw a poster in a window: “Free pancakes on Shrove Tuesday.” Their promotion was clearly working.

We asked a couple of young people just arriving, “Why have you come to IHOP tonight?” the answer was simple: “Free pancakes.” “No other reason?” The young woman shrugged, “No, just free pancakes.”

How sad! Shrove Tuesday prepares for one of the high holy days of the year – Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. No matter, free pancakes were all she knew.

Then, on Wednesday, I joined the congregation at the Ash Wednesday Service at the church. As Pastor Darryll marked my forehead with ashes, I found myself deeply moved. At the marking, I knew exactly what I was doing there. He marked the sign of the cross, and as he did, he intoned the ancient words, “Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return.” I realized that my life is mortal. Death will come one day, and nothing stands between us and that end except the cross.

Thus, we observe Ash Wednesday. Except for the cross and the resurrection of Jesus Christ, there is nothing beyond this life, and the value of this life becomes questionable. Because of the cross, eternity stands beyond this life, and the value of this life is assured by Christ’s victory. It was a strangely moving moment.

By the end of the day, the cross marked on my forehead had been reduced to a smudge. No one at Kroger even stopped me with a question about it. I was disappointed. Nevertheless, I am not disappointed about the cross. Because of Jesus, the cross points the way. It is God’s promise of eternity.

Register Now for Heels & Wheels

It’s time for Heels and Wheels 2014. The Kay Senior Care Center is participating the 2014 Wells Fargo Heels and Wheels Duathlon on Saturday, April 12, at Johnson University. It’s an exciting event in which competitors raise money for local organizations, including the Kay Center. This is a fantastic fundraiser for the Kay Center. In 2013, we were able to raise close to \$4,000.

This year we hope to raise even more. Consider joining the Kay Center team or sponsoring a competitor. Call Judith Winters at 521-0293 for more information.



TRIP planned

During the week of September 15-20, a group of Church Street members, and others, will travel by bus to Gettysburg and Lancaster, PA, and Charlottesville and Williamsburg, VA. The bus will depart Knoxville on Monday, September 15 and return to Knoxville on Saturday, September 25. All travel will be via a tour bus furnished by Mayes Bus Lines. Cost of the trip will be approximately \$1,200 per couple (double occupancy) plus food. Estimated cost includes bus/driver costs, lodging and all tour/ play ticket costs. Pathfinder’s class members and others have already reserved most of the available bus seats with only a few remaining. If you are interested in the trip, please call Bill Roberts at 694-5071.

CHILDREN’S news

It’s time to start thinking about summer camp! Holston Conference summer camp brochures are available in the children’s and youth areas. Our local camp is Wesley Woods located in Townsend. For scholarship information, please see Sue Isbell. There is an early bird discount if you register by April 1.

JUBILATION 2014

Jubilation is the annual gathering of older adults in the Holston Conference. This event nurtures spiritual growth, provides educational opportunities, promotes involvement in missions and enhances Christian fellowship. Jubilation will be held April 27-29 at MeadowView Resort and Conference Center in Kingsport. You can pick up a registration form/ brochure from Rick Isbell, from the literature racks, or register online at <http://jubilation.holston.org>. The registration deadline is April 1.

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:

Fort Sanders: Dr. Robert Chapman
UT: Patsy Golden

Home From the hospital: Mazel Andrews, Adrienne Robertson, Joseph Golden (to NHC)

Christian Sympathy:

To the family of **Evelyn Hicks** on her death on March 3.
To the family of **Edna Bell** on her death on March 6.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	689
Sunday School	364

Our Gifts

Contributions toward budget	\$44,007.95
Other	\$7,053.83

Our Church Family

Baptism:

- **Carson Michael Burtch**, son of Daniel & Sarah Burtch, was baptized on Sunday, March 9, at the 11 a.m. service.

Memorials

In Memory of:

- **Art Olson**
Soup Kitchen: Jim & Lyla Boehms
Parish Hall Renovation: UMW Circle 12
Memorial: Dorothy Winfrey
Memorial: Vicky Gardner
Memorial: Emily Browning
Memorial: Velma & Thomas Howell
Memorial: Elizabeth Reagon
- **Sara Dickson**
Soup Kitchen: Jim & Lyla Boehms
Memorial: Elizabeth Reagon
Memorial: Dwight & Gloria Dickson
- **Wilbur Warwick**
Memorial: Ann Hamilton
- **Lillian Hendrickson**
Soup Kitchen: John & Dawn von Weisenstein
- **Agnes Lay**
Parish Hall Renovation: UMW Circle 12
- **Ellie Rader**
Parish Hall Renovation: UMW Circle 12
- **Ouida Lowry**
Parish Hall Renovation: UMW Circle 12

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- **Richard & Brenda Ginn**
Beacon of Hope: LaNoka Rhodes
- **Rev. Cabel Trent**
Rejoice: Carol Proaps
- **Rev. Darryll Rasnake**
Beacon of Hope: Carol Proaps

In Memoriam

Evelyn Hicks

Joined: 07/14/1963 Died: 03/03/2014

In Memoriam

Edna Bell

Joined: 03/21/1948 Died: 03/06/2014

Altar Flowers for Sunday, March 16

The Chancel Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Rev. Tom Redding by his wife, Gail and children Missy Taylor and Kevin Redding.

Contact Us

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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
Watch *Rejoice!* on our web site.
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Staff Directory

Dial 521-0 + extension

Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson–260
Associate Pastor	Darryll Rasnake–279
Associate Pastor	Ashley Helton–263
Associate Pastor	Nicole Krewson–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
Interim Youth Director	Jenny Darden–287
College Intern	Merry Reid Sheffer–548-7979
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:	Brandon Amburn, Matt Newberry, Nita O'Dell, Joe Holmes and George Byrge
Beacon of Hope	Richard Ginn 599-5047

Eyeglasses Needed

The Murphy Builders are collecting eye glasses, contacts, and eyewear for the East Tennessee Lions Club. The donations will help the Lions support the Kids Watch and Cornea Transplant programs of the East Tennessee Eye Bank. Kid Watch screens young children for eye problems and supplies eye glasses to children in need. The Cornea transplant provides eye surgery to repair the vision of adults in need. Please support this effort by bringing your gently-used glasses to the Murphy Builders classroom. For more information, contact Dan Kelley at 385-1187.

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