

Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, March 30

4th Sunday in Lent

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Nave

Rev. Andy Ferguson

Monday, March 31

Community Worship

6 PM - Chapel

Rev. Darryll Rasnake

Upcoming Community Worship
Hospitality Hosts

March 31: Friends in Christ

April 7: Pathfinders

April 14: Explorers

Wednesday, April 2

Community Lenten Service

Noon - First Presbyterian Church

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 30

Reservations Required

Family maximum \$20.

Menu: Roast Pork Loin with Apricot
Sauce, Rice Pilaf, Steamed Broccoli,
Homemade Rolls, Dessert

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

Join Us For Sunday Lunch

We hope you will make a reservation and join us for a fellowship lunch after church next Sunday, March 30. There will be two seatings for the meal, 10:45 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$4 for children with a family maximum of \$30.

The menu for both seatings is at right. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the church office at 524-3048 or e-mailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org. Please indicate the number of adults and children in your party. We hope you will join us for this time of fellowship.

Menu

Chicken Marsala

Lasagna

Fresh Green Beans

Fettuccine Alfredo

Buttered Noodles & Marinara

for Kids

Italian Rice

Focaccia bread

Bread Sticks

Fresh Garden Salad

Desserts

Parish Adult Choir Presents Choral Work

Join us next Sunday, March 30, as the Church Street Parish Adult Choir and organist Edie Johnson present *Missa Brevis* by Grayston Ives in both services of worship.

Then, on Sunday, April 6, at 3 p.m. in the Nave, Organist Alvin Blount, assisted by Terri Ward, soprano, will perform works by David Ashley White, Gerald Near, Charles-Marie Widor and Calvin Taylor. Alvin is Director of Music and Worship at St. Mary on the Hill Catholic Church in Augusta, Georgia. This recital is presented as part of the Master Arts Series. There is no charge for admission and all are welcome!

Sunday Night Live Features Mark Packer



The last Sunday Night Live supper program of the spring on April 6 will feature Mark Packer, News Anchor & Sports Producer. Come and hear how Mark Packer went from being Sports Director with WBIR-TV to forming his own production company to coming back to Knoxville and the airwaves of WVLT-TV. Mark has done a little bit of everything in sports broadcasting. Come and hear his story and what is in store for the fall as he shares with us on April 6.

Dinner begins at 5 p.m. and the program will immediately follow. Dinner reservations are needed by Thursday, April 3,

at noon. You may make a reservation by calling the church office at 524-3048 or e-mailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org.

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 helping out at the Church Street Preschool. Volunteers are needed to serve on our board of directors, teach us a second language, tell us a story, play a musical instrument, help with art activities and read books to the children. For more information contact Beth Cooper-Libby at 524-3511 or bclibby@churchstreetumc.org.

Another opportunity to serve comes at the Kay Senior Care Center. Volunteers are needed to assist with activities.

They also welcome those who can share a talent (music, art, etc.) with the participants. Contact Judith Winters at jwinters@churchstreetumc.org or 521-0289 to volunteer.



Youth Director Announcement

We are pleased to announce that Jenny Darden has been selected as the next Youth Director here at Church Street. Jenny has been serving as Interim Youth Director since last summer. She will begin her duties as full-time youth director in late May.

Fifth Sunday Offering

For 112 years, United Methodists and Holston Home have been a team, working together to minister to the needs of children, youth and families in the Holston Conference and beyond. Your offering on Sunday, March 30 makes a difference. Please give generously. You can also donate to Holston Home on the Church Street website, www.churchstreetumc.org. Click on "Online Giving" to make your donation to Holston Home.

Knoxville Marathon Next Sunday

Please be aware that the Knoxville Marathon will be held next Sunday, March 30. The race begins on the Clinch Avenue Bridge and finishes at Neyland Stadium. The race may affect your route to church, so please plan accordingly. For more information on the exact course of the race, log on to www.knoxvillemarathon.com.

Church Street UMC Calendar: March 30 - April 5

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,
First Presbyterian

Sunday School—9:40 AM

Music

Youth Choir
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 306
Primary Choir (1st–2nd grades)
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 308
Chorister Choir (3rd–5th grades)
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 306
Adult Handbell Rehearsal
Sunday, 6:15 pm, rm 306
Adult Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 306

Singles

Line Dance: Thurs., 7–9 pm, Gym
First Friday Dance: Friday, 7 pm, Gym

UMW

Lydia Circle
Friday, Noon, rm 119

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Sunday Lunch
Sunday, 10:45 am, 12:15 pm
Parish Hall
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
AARP Smart Driving Class
Thursday, 9 am, rm 204
Tai Chi Class
Thurs., 12:30 pm, CLC 11
BodyWorks
Thurs., 5:30 pm, Gym

Children

Open Gym
Sunday, 4 pm, Gym
God's Gang & Twizzlers
Sunday, 4:45 pm, Gym

Personal & Spiritual Growth

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

Youth

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

Meetings & Ministry

Renovation & Renewal
1:30 pm, rm 201-A
Financial Peace
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 202
Discover Church Street
Sunday, 4 pm, CLC 120
Benevolence Team
Monday, noon, CLC 124
Memorials Committee
Tuesday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Food Services Committee
Tuesday, 5:30 pm, rm 118
Evangelism Committee
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, rm 204
Worship Committee
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Lay Leadership
Wed., 5:30 pm, CLC 122
Properties Committee
Wednesday, 5:30 pm, rm 202
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall
Preschool Board Meeting
Thursday, 6:30 pm, rm 202

The Lectionary READINGS

March 30
1 Samuel 16:1-13
Psalm 23
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

April 6
Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45

Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

As you might know, I spent the last week on a study retreat. I wasn't so far away – in Crossville at the family timeshare – and yet far enough away that the usual chores of the week couldn't intrude. Furthermore, the internet died often. On Monday, I would have been distressed; but, on Wednesday, I felt released from availability. It even offered the possibility of an extra hour to spend in listening prayer.

A pastor-friend called early to talk about spiritual leadership. So often, the old adage that the business of the church must be run in a business-like way becomes an excuse to run it only like a business. Set goals; state the mission; and complete the annual audit (underway, actually). We'll get it done, and to God be the glory. That kind of thing.

Spiritual leadership begins with becoming aware that the living Christ is the Head of the Church. Moreover, because Christ is the Head, this shapes the way we lead. One example of the way Jesus dealt with this is in John 5 where Jesus healed a man who had been ill for 38 years. Jesus healed him, much to the consternation of the Jewish leaders. Why are you doing such things on the Sabbath? Jesus answer: "My Father is still working, and I also am working." (John 5.17). It was all the reason Jesus needed. What decisions should we make because the Father is still working?

Secular models of leadership say: see the need; figure out what should be done; set goals; and implement the plan. We can leave the Spirit-portion of this approach back home in our closets where we pray. At the meeting where decisions are being made, it is just us.

Instead, think like believers: What is the Spirit up to? Let us discern where the Spirit is at work and wrap the work of Church Street around that. How is that for a different approach?

It may be that we misunderstood when Jesus told the people to pray in secret. We, the people of God and especially the leaders of Christ's Church, need to pray together. We need to practice listening prayer together so that together we might discern God's answers and God's prayers.

Open House at Wesley House

It's been one year since Wesley House purchased a new building. Now the staff and students invite you to an Open House on Saturday, March 29, from 10 a.m. 2 p.m. Stop by and see how far Wesley House has come in the last year and the big places the organization hopes to go in the future. Wesley House is located at 1719 Reynolds Street. For more information call Wesley House at 865-524-5494.



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, April 2 - First Presbyterian**
- **Wednesday, April 9 - First Baptist**

DRIVING class

The AARP Smart Driving Course is 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, April 3 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Please call 865-584-9964 to register for the class. Registration deadline is Wednesday, March 26.

MOMS group

A new small group for moms is starting at Church Street this week. The group will meet for the first time on Friday, March 28, from 9:45-11:45 a.m. in room 103. Childcare is provided. We plan to spend the first hour doing introductions and gathering ideas about what participants would like to see from the group. For more information, please contact Marissa McConkey at riso1982@hotmail.com.

VBS news

Our annual Vacation Bible School is looking for fun-loving adults to shepherd our classes of children June 16 – 19 from 9 a.m. to noon. We currently need leaders for our 3 year-olds, 4 year-olds, kindergartners, first graders and second graders. Each class needs two adults. Youth helpers will also be assigned to each group as a support team. You don't have to have children of VBS age to help. If you would like to volunteer please contact Sue Isbell at sisbell@churchstreetumc.org or 521-0282.

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:

UT: Patsy Golden

Home From the hospital:

Teresa Williams

Our Presence

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| Sunday Worship | 572 |
| Sunday School | 338 |

Our Gifts

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| Contributions toward budget | \$29,823.77 |
| Other | \$3,712.16 |

Pathfinders Class Plans Bus Trip

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 drive to Gettysburg. On Tuesday, September 16, the group will tour the battlefields of Gettysburg and other points of interest. On Wednesday, September 17, the group will tour Lancaster County's Amish country and attend the "Moses" play. On Thursday, September 18, the group will journey to Williamsburg, stopping on the way to visit the home of Thomas Jefferson in Charlottesville. Friday, September 19, will have the group touring old historical Williamsburg and returning to Knoxville on Saturday, September 20. 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.

Our Church Family

New Members:

- **Jessie Holder** joined by transfer from Annandale UMC in Annandale, VA, on Sunday, March 23, at the 11 a.m. service.
- **John Tourtellotte** joined by reaffirmation of faith on Sunday, March 23, at the 11 a.m. service.

Memorials

In Memory of:

- **Edna Bell**
History Room Fund: Martha Hess
Memorial: Norma Holmes
Beacon of Hope: Dr. & Mr. Bennett Horton
Rejoice: Elizabeth Rochelle
- **Agnes Lay**
Memorial: Bo & Cathy Greenberg
- **Sara Dickson**
Youth Ministry: Flora McCain
- **Evelyn Hicks**
Kay Center: Bill & Janie Dempster
Kay Center: Asset Planning Corp.

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- **Richard & Brenda Ginn**
Beacon of Hope: John & Jo Ann Ginn

Altar Flowers for Sunday, March 30

The Chancel Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Ed & Elizabeth Eldridge by Joe, John and David Eldridge.

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.

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:

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Staff Directory

Dial 521-0 + extension

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| 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 |



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