

Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, October 12

18th Sunday of Pentecost

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Gym

Rev. Andy Ferguson

Wednesday, October 15

Midweek

Worship & Communion

Noon - Room 204

Rev. Ashley Helton

Lunch is served in Parish Hall after the service. Call 524-3048 to make reservations. Menu: Shredded Beef Sandwich, Mushrooms, Onions, Peppers, Fries, Salad, and Cookies.

Thursday, October 16

Community Worship

Noon - Room 204

Rev. Matt Hampton

Sunday Supper

5–5:45 PM in Parish Hall

\$7 (12 & up) • \$4 (children)

Sunday, October 12

Reservations Required

Family maximum \$25.

Menu: BBQ Ribs, Mac and Cheese, Broccoli, Rolls, Salad, Chocolate Cake

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

UMW Meeting Features Mary Ellis Richardson

Please join us on Tuesday, October 14, at 11 a.m. as Church Streeter Mary Ellis Richardson speaks to our United Methodist Women General Meeting. Mary Ellis will share her very personal insights about raising her son Powell, a disabled adult. Mary Ellis and her husband, Steve, made news in 1992 when they, with help from Church Street Senior Minister Dr. Ken Carder, petitioned the General Conference of The United Methodist Church to allow congregations to answer the vows of membership on behalf of anyone who could not answer for themselves. This bold move was approved and ultimately allowed Powell and many others in United Methodist churches to become full members of their congregations.

Based on her career as an attorney and judge, she will also address Church Street's access issues as well as the United Methodist Church's efforts to make our places of worship and fellowship the fully welcoming places they need to be. This topic is especially timely for our congregation as we consider a significant renovation project.

As always, this UMW meeting is open to all in our church and community. We will begin at 11 a.m. in Parish Hall and lunch will be served at noon. Please call the church office at 524-3048 with your reservation by Friday, October 10.

Walking Ghost Tour

Get an early start to Halloween and learn about the ghosts of Knoxville! Join us on a guided Ghost Walking Tour of Knoxville with Laura Still on Sunday evening, October 19, sponsored by the Adult Council. We'll meet at the church at 7:30 p.m. for a walking tour of about 1 ½ hours. Laura has been conducting walking tours of downtown for the past couple of years and is an active member of Church Street. The tour is limited to 25 people and costs \$15. Reservations can be made by calling the church office, 524-3048, and must be paid for before October 12. Checks may be made out to Church Street UMC. For more information, contact Betty Craig, 558-5839.



SNL Features Scripps Network's Pete Crowley

Join us on Sunday, October 12, for Sunday Night Live featuring Pete Crowley, senior vice president for property development and facilities management for Scripps Networks Interactive. He will share about Scripps networks and the company headquarters located in West Knoxville. Scripps Networks Interactive includes HGTV, DIY Network, Food Network, Cooking Channel, Travel Channel and Great American Country.

Dinner will be served at 5 p.m. (see menu at left) and the program will begin at 5:45 p.m. Please make reservations by calling 524-3048 or e-mailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org by Thursday at noon.

Support Our Youth

In youth ministry, our fall retreat is one of the most exciting weekends of the year. Spiritual Life Advance, known as SLA, is November 7-9 this year and will be held at Crosspoint Retreat Center. It will be a weekend full of fellowship, worship, and study. As a congregation, we have three opportunities to partner with theyouth ministry for this event. 1. Join us in prayer. Please pray for the students, volunteers, and leaders as we prepare for this great time together. 2. Join us financially. If you feel led to provide a student with the opportunity to attend SLA, you can donate to our Youth Scholarship Fund. The amount of the retreat for a student is \$125, but any amount would be helpful! 3. Pick up a Buddy Bag! A Buddy Bag is a small bag for each student that will include supplies for them for the week. Inside each bag will be a card with instructions for the individual or family that picks it up. It will cost less than \$5 to complete a Buddy Bag. These will be available for pick up in the Brezeway on October 12, 19, & 26. All Buddy Bags should be returned to Church Street by Sunday, November 2.

Trunk or Treat is Coming October 26

Our annual trick-or-treating event is scheduled for Sunday, October 26, from 5-7 p.m. in the Magnolia Lot. We need plenty of cars to fill the parking lot to make the evening fun for everyone. Sign up now in the Children's Hallway. All you have to do is choose a theme, decorate your car, and have plenty of goodies to hand out. Please prepare for at least 100 kids. Participating cars need to be parked and ready by 4:45 p.m. Cars entering the lot after 4:15 p.m. pose a danger to children who arrive early so we ask your cooperation with this schedule.



Supper will be served outside that evening (cost:\$7 for adults, \$4 for children) and there will be a movie in the Parish Hall beginning at 6:15 p.m. Bring your friends and neighbors and be part of this fun fall event.

Pathfinders Christmas Trip

On Saturday, December 13th, the Pathfinders Sunday school class is planning a trip to Nashville to attend the 2:00pm Christmas Spectacular presented by the Radio City Rockettes at the Grand Ole Opry House. Cost will be approximately \$100 per person, depending on tour bus cost share and ticket cost, which will be dictated by seating availability. Due to limited space, if you are interested please contact Bill Roberts at 865-771-2906 by Thursday, October 9.

Church Street UMC Calendar: October 12-18

Worship

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Gym
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)
Midweek Communion Service
Wednesday, Noon, rm 204
Community Worship
Thursday, Noon, rm 204

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
Kinder Choir
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 212
Parish Adult Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 306

Meetings & Ministry

Financial Peace Class
Sunday, 3:30 pm, rm 202
Benevolence Team
Monday, noon, CLC 124
Safety & Security Committee
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 202
Trustees Committee
Wed., 5:30 pm, rm 202
Missions Committee
Wed., 6 pm, Vestal UMC
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall
Staff Parish Relations
Thursday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A

UMW

Circle #6
Monday, 5:30 pm, rm 103
Circle #7
Tuesday, 10 am, rm 204
Circle #10 & #4
Tuesday, 10 am, CLC 14
UMW Lunch & Program
Tuesday, 11 am, Parish Hall
Circle #8
Tuesday, 1:15 pm, rm 201-A

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Sunday Supper
Sunday, 5 pm, Parish Hall
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

Youth

NightLife
Sunday, 5:15 pm, Lower CLC
Girls' Basketball Practice
Sunday, 7 pm, Gym
Youth Band Practice
Wed., 6:30 pm, CLC 11

Lectionary

READINGS

October 12
Exodus 32:1-14
Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23
Philippians 4:1-9
Matthew 22:1-14

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Dr. Wender's Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Jesus in the Gospels
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 201-C
Contemplative Prayer Group
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 301
Women's Bible Study
Wed., 9 am, rm 201-A
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A

Singles

Line Dance Lessons
Thursday 6:30-8:30 pm,
Parish Hall
Game Night
Friday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120

October 19

Exodus 33:12-23
Psalm 99
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10
Matthew 22:15-22

Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

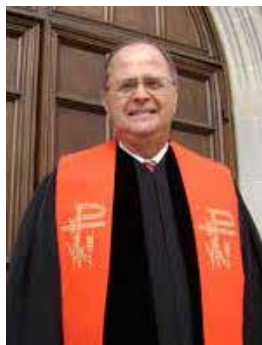
As I was speaking about the Kingdom of God in yesterday's sermon, I kept thinking about the movies I've seen. I am one preacher, speaking one hour on a Sunday morning. On Saturday night, there are hundreds of "preachers" laying out their visions in theaters all around the area. I was asking you to imagine with me a world alive with the presence and the goodness of God; those others are imagining worlds that represent the exact opposite. My vision is called the Kingdom of God, a utopian vision; the others are offering a dystopian vision. Think *Hunger Games*, *Godzilla*, or *Planet of the Apes*; there are many more.

According to Wikipedia.com, a "dystopia is a community or society that is in some important way undesirable or frightening. It is the opposite of a utopia. Such societies appear in many artistic works, particularly in stories set in a future. Dystopias are often characterized by dehumanization, totalitarian governments, environmental disaster, or other characteristics associated with a cataclysmic decline in society."

Why the fascination? Part of the interest in dystopian movies is that they serve as a way to examine, through imagination, the prospect of a particular future. *Godzilla* is an example of this. Such examination is the artist's way of raising a warning: "If society goes down this path, the results may look like this." It serves a purpose.

It seems to me, however, that our fascination with dystopian movies reveals our collective vision of the future. It suggests a conviction that the future is not bright with promise but rather dark with foreboding. What do we believe about the future for our kids and grandkids? What do we see as we look to the future?

As a pastor, my vision of the future is shaped by the faith that I bring to Sunday mornings. Even the "Book of Revelation," with its frightening images and prophecies, ends with God stepping onto the human stage. So, I suppose that I will continue to rage against the darkness. I still believe... that the future is in God's hands and that the future in God's hands is bright with promise. I will continue to invite you to join me in this conviction.



UMW n e w s

The October UMW Book Review will be held on Wednesday, October 15, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in the Cox Parlor, room 103. Maha Ayesh, a Knoxville attorney, will review the books *Growing up Muslim* and *I Speak for Myself*. She will tell about her experiences growing up Muslim in America. Everyone is welcome to attend!

SMALL g r o u p

A new Men's Small Group has now formed at Church Street. The group will meet every other Wednesday at 7:30 a.m. at the Panera in Bearden. If you would like to know more about this group or are interested in joining please contact J.R. Hertwig at 384-7049.

SINGLES n e w s

Please join us on Tuesday, October 21, for the next FOCUS. Our speaker will be associate pastor Nicole Krewson. She will tell us more about the Stephen Ministry here at Church Street. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m. in CLC 120 and is \$7 per person. Be sure to make your reservations for Jason's Deli by calling the Church before Monday, October 20. Rev. Krewson will begin speaking at 6:30. The FOCUS group is a Singles Ministry event, however everyone is invited to attend.

MUSIC n e w s

Kinder Choir, for children ages four and five, will begin rehearsing Sunday, Oct. 12 from 5:15-6 p.m. in Room 212. Please contact Shirley Smith if you have questions or if your child would like to participate, 865-681-2919 or fcounts@charter.net. Kinder Choir will sing holiday songs for the Advent Craft Festival on Sunday, November 30.

Finding Bethlehem in the Midst of Bedlam – Advent study by James W. Moore

Christmas or confusion, Bethlehem or bedlam... which will you choose this year? The truth is, we don't have to choose, because Christmas always happens right in the midst of our confusion. God breaks into our confusion and is made known in Jesus Christ. Christ breaks into our chaos and confusion and brings Christmas.

This five week book study with questions for reflection and discussion and six daily Bible readings for personal devotional time during the week will begin on Wednesday, October 29 and finish on December 3. We will meet in room 201-A from 9-11 a.m. Childcare is provided. The cost of the book is \$8.50. For more information or to sign up, contact Juanita Cowles at 712-3262 by phone or text. You may also email at Rockytoptennjc1@hughes.net. The book will be available two weeks before class starts to be prepared for discussion on October 29.

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:

Vanderbilt: John von Weisenstein

Home from the Hospital:

Danielle Dorsey & Baby Bradley, Cole Wheeler

Christan Sympathy to :

Mary Lewis on the death of her aunt, Thelma Seneker Carico, on October 3.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	660
Sunday School	447

Our Gifts

Received toward budget	\$42,183.47
Other	\$23,683.54

Preparing for Advent Adult Class Studies

The Advent season begins on Sunday, November 30, with the first Sunday of Advent. Many of our adult Sunday School classes choose to do a special Advent study during the 4-5 Sundays during this season. Is your class wanting to do an Advent study? Have you already selected one? If you would like to do a special Advent study, you can go to [www.Cokesbury.com/Advent Studies](http://www.Cokesbury.com/AdventStudies) and look at all that are available. If you need suggestions, contact Rick Isbell, Minister of Discipleship. Rev. Ferguson will be using the study "A Different Kind of Christmas" by Mike Slaughter as a basis for his sermons during Advent. But, there are many more. Please do not wait until the last week to order your Advent study. Prepare now.

Sermon Scripture

Sunday, October 12

Matthew 22:1-14

Sunday, October 19

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Our Church Family

Birth:

- **Bradley Zachariah Dorsey**, son of Tom and Danielle Dorsey, was born on Thursday, October 2.

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- **Robert & Amy Cathey**
Building Fund: Isbell Class
- **Jim & Diane Crook**
Building Fund: Isbell Class
- **Dawn von Weisenstein**
Soup Kitchen: Nancy & Hubert Thompson

Memorials

In Memory of:

- **Matthew Bates**
Matthew Bates Counseling Fund: Martin & Lynn Bates
- **Gene Crutchfield**
Kay Center: Mary Silvey
Kay Center: Bobby & Mary Proctor
Kay Center: Sarah Keeling
- **Trish McCurry**
Soup Kitchen: Doris Martinson

Altar Flowers for Sunday, October 12

The Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Frank Speckhart by his family.

Join the Walk to Fight Leukemia & Lymphoma

In the fall of 2012 Emily Ehrnschwender organized a walk for the "Light the Night" event sponsored by the East TN Leukemia & Lymphoma Society while Rick Isbell was battling non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Emily is also a leukemia survivor. Each year after that, a group of Church Streeters have participated in this national walk on the UT campus. This year's walk is on Thursday, October 23, at 6 p.m., at Circle Park on the UT Campus. If you would like to join the "Purple Shirts" team and walk with Rick Isbell and others, go to the Light the Night website: Leukemia & Lymphoma Society/Light the NightWalk/East Tennessee, and sign up.

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

Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson-260
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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
Youth Director	Jenny Darden-287
Preschool Director	Beth Libby-524-3511
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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
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Head Custodian	Brandon Amburn-274
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