

## *Vol. 83 + No. 9*

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### **In-Person Worship Registration:**

Please pre-register for in-person worship on March 14. You will need to add the names of all persons attending, phone number, email, and children's name(s) and age(s) if children are attending. Please call the church office for assistance in registering, at 524-3048.

### **Regathering Volunteers Needed:**

In preparation of regathering for in-person worship, we are updating our volunteer lists. We are seeking volunteers for the following positions:

**Escorts/Ushers**, who will lead each family to their seats and at the end of the service direct people as they leave to ensure social distancing.

**Guides**, for the parking lots, breezeways and entrances. Guides will assist people in finding open entrances and encourage social distancing.

**Assistants**, who will place worship folders at each seat before service.

**Restroom Monitors**, who will allow only a safe number in restroom at one time and disinfect after users.

**Elevator Monitors**, who will load elevator and push buttons for attendees. Monitor will not need to ride elevator.

**Coordinator for volunteers**, who will schedule volunteers for each service and make phone/email contact (attending service not required).

**Safety Monitors**, who will try to ensure social distancing as people line up to enter services.

**Sanitizing Team**, which will spray and wipe down areas between services.

All volunteers will be trained, and you will have your temperature taken upon arrival and asked to wear a mask. If you're available to volunteer, please let Kate Spencer know by emailing [kspencer@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:kspencer@churchstreetumc.org).

## ***Worship Opportunities***

**Sunday, March 7**  
***Third Sunday of Lent***  
***Girl Scout Sunday***

**Join us at 10 am:**

[www.YouTube.com/ChurchStreetUMC](http://www.YouTube.com/ChurchStreetUMC)

**Rev. Catherine Clark Nance**

**John 2:13-22**

**Music**

"If Ye Love Me"

Philip Wilby

*Virtual Parish Adult Choir*

***Lectionary Readings for this week:***

Exodus 20:1-17, Psalm 19, 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, John 2:13-22

## ***Christian Education Offerings***



### **UMW Annual Call to Prayer and Self-Denial Service**

United Methodist Women will host its annual call to prayer and self-denial service on March 9 at 11 am via Zoom. This year's theme is "***She Leads: Empowering Women to Make a Difference,***" and Rev. Sarah Slack, Associate Minister at Maryville United Methodist Church, will offer the service. Dr. Edie Johnson will also contribute to the service on piano.

For more information, contact Susan Greene at 865-382-2400.

+ [Click here to join on Zoom](#) (passcode 739705) or  
+ Call in using 1-929-436-2866, enter meeting ID 844 9904 6104#, then password: \*739705#

### **UMW March Book / Film Review - March 17**

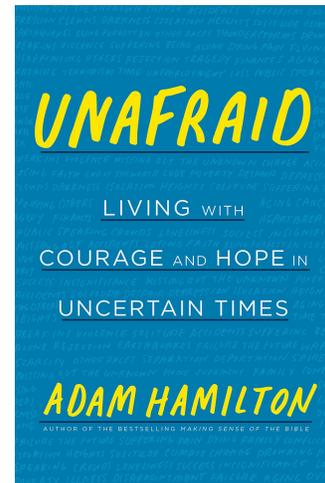
At 1:30 pm on Wednesday, March 17, we will review a UMW-recommended documentary called "MORRISTOWN: IN THE AIR AND SUN" ([click here to view the trailer](#)) This film was produced in 2007 about Morristown, TN and its immigrant population and the many challenges they face. It is an hour-long piece chronicling a decade in this community. We will have discussion time following the showing. Please join us!

+ [Click here to join on Zoom](#) (passcode 820265)

+ Call in using 1-929-436-2866, enter meeting ID 822-1424-1785 and passcode 820265

### **Open Door Class Concludes *UNAFRAID***

This coming Sunday, March 7, 9 am on Zoom, the Open Door Class will conclude their series of lessons on Adam Hamilton's book, *UNAFRAID*. The class will look at some topics that are common to all persons ....aging, illness and dying. None of us is exempt from these universal fears of getting old, getting physically sick and dying. Whether or not you have participated in previous Sundays, you are invited to attend this Sunday. The door is always open.



The study is led by Rev. Rick Isbell, retired Minister of Discipleship.

### *Looking Ahead to Lenten Study*

Beginning Sunday, March 14, the Open Door Class will begin a Lenten study based on the book by Amy-Jill Levine, "**Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginner's Guide to Holy Week.**" In this 6-week series, author, professor and biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine delves into the history and literature surrounding the last days of Jesus' life. Levine sets the narrative in historical context and looks at the risks and motives of the story's characters.

+ ***Click here*** to join on Sundays at 9 am. Passcode is 987123.

Call in: 1-929-436-2866, Meeting ID: 826-2519-6733#, Passcode: \*987123#

## ***Children and Youth Upcoming Events***

### **Confirmands Make A Difference**

On Sunday afternoon, Feb. 28, this year's Confirmation Class and their parents drove to the church to drop off bags and bags and boxes and boxes of food items for the Beacon of Hope Food Co-Op. As part of their "Ways of Discipleship" module the class has been collecting breakfast items, coffee & creamer and fruit cups, canned fruit & jelly for the co-op for the last three months. This class of 6th and 7th graders are making a significant difference in the community by donating food. They will continue collecting for two more months.



At the church to help unload the food items were Rev. Palmer Cantler, Associate Pastor, Tresa Childs, BOH Food Co-op Coordinator, Jeri Strong, class sponsor and Rev. Rick Isbell, Confirmation Class teacher. Many thanks to all the Confirmation families for helping in this significant way. They donated the following numbers of items:

Hot Chocolate - 20  
Coffee - 22  
Hot Breakfast - 17  
Granola Bars - 24  
Cereal - 28  
Jelly - 12  
Fruit - 60

Crackers - 7  
Juice - 1  
Mayo - 5  
Ketchup - 5  
Pasta Sauce - 5  
Soup/Stew - 9  
Bread - 5

**241**  
items collected  
from 15 Confirmation  
Families!



### Graduating Seniors

It is hard to believe it is already time to look toward graduation for our high school seniors! We want to do everything we can to celebrate this class well. There are some important forms available to you online this week that we invite you to fill out.

The first is our Senior Info form that will provide us with what we need to know to feature you in the *Messenger* after graduation as well as in our social media "Senior Spotlights." The second is our college scholarship form which is **due March 28**. Both of these can be found at [churchstreetumc.org/youth-forms/](http://churchstreetumc.org/youth-forms/) Please let Jenny know if you have any questions at [jcross@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:jcross@churchstreetumc.org).

### Easter Egg Hunt

Normally we ask for candy donations, but this year if you would like to help with the Easter egg hunt, we are asking for monetary donations. You can [follow this link](#) to donate online - use the "other" section and type "Egg Hunt," or you can mail a check to the church with "egg hunt" in the memo line.



There are two opportunities to join in the egg hunt fun on Saturday, April 3. **Families may sign up by using the sign-up link or calling Katryn Bancroft at 524-3048.**

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## Covid-19 Vaccine Assistance

Volunteers on the church's Parish Health Ministry Team, staff and clergy have worked since January to connect vulnerable and eligible members of our congregation to the Covid-19 vaccines. To date, the group has secured or arranged for more than 110 appointments for church members, members' eligible family members, community members, and those served through our Beacon of Hope ministry. This work continues, and if you are eligible for a vaccine, would like the church's assistance in making a vaccine appointment, please reply to this email with the following information or leave a message at **521-0299**:

- Legal first and last name (what's on your photo ID)

- Date of Birth
- Mailing address
- Best contact number
- Email address if you have one
- Your Eligibility (phase 1a1, 1a2, 1b and beginning Monday, March 8, 1c, and persons 65+ are eligible at this point)
- Any timing or date restrictions for when you can go to receive a first or second dose of the vaccine (ex: "I can't go on Tuesdays or Thursdays" or "I'm out of town the week of March 20.")

*Those 65+ may receive a call from a volunteer for the Parish Health Team to inquire if you may need assistance.*

*Those seeking to make their own vaccine appointments may find the following online links and resources helpful:*

- [Vaccinefinder.org](https://vaccinefinder.org) (has a listing of local pharmacies, hospitals, etc. that carry the vaccine and links / phone numbers to try to acquire an appointment)
- [UT Medical Center](https://www.utmedicalcenter.com) releases appointments online and by phone each Wednesday at 1 pm (865-305-6225)
- [Knox County Health Department](https://www.knoxcountyhealth.com) has a long waiting list, but you may add your name if eligible
- [Covenant Health](https://www.covenanthealth.com) has a web page to check regularly - <https://www.covenanthealth.com/coronavirus/>
- [Tennova](https://www.tennova.com) has a number to call if seeking an vaccine appointment (check regularly) - 1-855-836-6682
- [Cherokee Health System](https://www.cherokeehealth.com) has many locations in the area and has a number you can call to check regularly: 1-866-231-4477 (have social security number and health insurance information on hand when you call)

## Calendar

*See the calendar listings below. Meetings occur on Zoom, unless otherwise noted as an in-person event. If you would like a link to one of the following Zoom meetings, or if your group would like to set up a Zoom meeting, please contact Kate Spencer at [kspencer@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:kspencer@churchstreetumc.org) or 865-521-0268, she will help set you up on the church account!*

### Ongoing Sunday School, Children, Youth & Music Meetings:

- **Breakfast w/ Ms. Katryn & Friends** (children): Sundays, 9 am
- **Open Door:** Sundays, 9 am
- **Partners:** Sundays, 9 am
- **Followers:** Sundays, 9:30 am
- **Epworth:** Sundays, 10:30 am
- **Seekers:** Sundays, 11 am
- **Kinder Choir:** Sundays, 11 am
- **Confirmation:** Sundays, 11 am
- **Crossroads:** Sundays, 11 am

### Current Studies and One-Time Meetings:

- **When Helping Hurts Lenten Study:** Sundays, 4 pm
- **UMW Call to Prayer & Self-Denial:** Tuesday, 11 am
- **Scouts:** Tuesdays, 6 pm (Parish Hall)
- **Disciple New Testament Fast Track Class:** Tuesdays, 6:30 pm
- **Power and Passion Lenten Study:** Wednesdays, 7 pm

- **Fifth Grade Small Group:**  
Sunday, 2 pm, off site
- **Chorister & Primary**
- **Children's Choirs:** Sundays, 3:30 pm
- **Youth Choir:** Sundays, 4:15 pm
- **NightLife:** Sundays, 5 pm
- **Parish Adult Choir:**  
Wednesdays, 7 pm

- **Disciple Old Testament Fast**
- **Track Class:** Wednesdays, 10 am
- **Congregational Care:** Tuesday, 6 pm
- **Worship Committee:** Tuesday, 6 pm
- **Trustees:** Wednesday, 5:30 pm
- **Entering the Passion Young Adult Lenten Study:** Thursday, 8 pm (Zoom or Chiles Room)

## ***Our Prayers***

### ***Christian love and sympathy to:***

The family and friends of Sarah Diane Dyer Turner, sister of Randall Dyer, who died February 27.

The family and friends of Jeannie Heatherly, aunt of Neil Heatherly, who died on February 28 in Louisville, KY.

### ***Recently Hospitalized:***

Bob Hertwig  
Barry Christmas  
Dr. Laura Terry

### ***New Arrivals:***

Eleanor Tinsley Terry, daughter of Dr. Laura Terry and grandchild of Dr. Bill and Jo Terry, was born on February 22 in Nashville.

Nathanael Franklin-James Bachstein, son of Matthew and Frances Bachstein and grandchild of Dr. Trent and Sally Nichols, was born on February 27.

## ***Our Presence***

### ***February 28***

#### ***Online Worship - 375***

With last week's poll, 139 responses indicated how many in their home were tuned into the service, giving us a multiplier of about 1.2. We estimate our viewership last week to be **375 people**. Your answers to the poll above each week help us better calculate who is viewing and how many actual people are viewing. Thank you!

## ***Our Gifts***

### ***February 28***

Operating Budget \$6,728.00

Other \$3,657.00

Give securely online at [www.churchstreetumc.org/give](http://www.churchstreetumc.org/give) or send a check:

Church Street UMC  
P.O. Box 1303  
Knoxville, TN 37901

## **Memorials**

*In Memory of:*

**Wilma Smith**

Music Ministry: Anonymous

**Charles H. Welch**

Music Ministry: Anonymous

## **Honorariums**

*In Honor of:*

**Vicky Shelton**

UMW Missions: Anonymous

## **Altar Flowers**

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in honor of Dr. Bill and Jo Terry, given by dear friends, Dr. Steven and Barbara Hanes, Dr. Charles and Sarah Sanders, and Dr. Bob and Sue Vegors.

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### ***All are welcome at Church Street !***

*We believe every person is of sacred worth and created in God's image. We welcome and celebrate the gifts God has given to all persons without regard to race, color, national origin, ethnicity, age, gender, disability, status, economic condition, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religious affiliation. We respect diversity of opinion and expressions of Christian faith. We believe God loves everyone unconditionally! As God loves us, so let us love and serve in the name of Christ.*

### **Church Street United Methodist Church**

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*Please call the church office to reach a specific member of our staff.*