

We thank the following for their service during our worship service:

Lay Reader: Tim Laverty

UPDATED FOOD LIST FOR BACKPACK MINISTRY

This academic year, our Backpack Ministry supplies food for 200 children at Eastlawn Elementary. In January, we are collecting the following items: breakfast/cereal bars, canned chili, canned meat, canned vegetables (any variety), and peanut butter in plastic jars. Please deposit donations outside the church office.

SCRIPTURE SNOWMAN FAMILY DEVOTIONS

Let's build a Scripture Snowman! This is a simple, hands-on way to read, write, and live out God's Word. These snowman activities for kids will help them learn what Jesus teaches about forgiveness. Pick up your copy in the Welcome Center or contact Ms. Melissa.

2023 LAY LEADERSHIP

The list of the 2023 lay leadership is available in the Welcome Center.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The church office will be closed **tomorrow** in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday.

TUESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study will begin a new study on the Book of Acts on **Tuesday, January 17** at 9:30 a.m. in Room 401. All women are invited to join us. For more information, contact Patty Diming at 336-570-9739 or email Beth McPhaul at emcphaul@aol.com.

CONFERENCE-WIDE LEADERSHIP TRAINING, JANUARY 29 (ZOOM), 2-5:30 P.M.

Join us for one of five virtual workshops designed to equip you to serve in your local church as Lay Leader or on the Finance, Trustees, Nominations, or Staff/Pastor Parish Relations Committee.

Whether you are starting a new leadership role, or have been serving in church leadership for years, we hope this model of leadership training will prepare you for your much-needed ministry. Laity and clergy in partnership with one another is the key to a church's success in making disciples.

The conference will host five Zoom meetings broken down into two sessions, and registrants can choose the topic that they need. If you need more than one training, register for the training(s) you would like to attend live. If you are interested in more than one topic in a session, no need to worry. We will send the recorded links for all the sessions about a week after the event.

Registration for this training is now open at www.frontstreetumc.org/features.

VALENTINE'S DANCE: SAVE THE DATE

Put on your dancing shoes and join us for a Valentine's Dance on **Friday, February 10** from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in Aldersgate Hall. This event is for all children 4 years old – 5th grade. More details coming soon. Save the date!

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE			
Date	Aldersgate	11:00	Total
12/24/2022	-	-	292
12/25/2022	-	27	27
1/1/2023	35	88	123
1/8/2023	52	171	223

SEE BACK OF BULLETIN FOR MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 15, 2023		
Sunday, January 15		
8:45	Aldersgate Contemporary Worship	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
9:45	Aldersgate Praise Band Rehearsal	Chapel
11:00	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
6:00	UMYF	Aldersgate Hall
Monday, January 16 - Church Office Closed		
Tuesday, January 17		
8:00	Men's Breakfast Bible Study	Heritage Center
9:30	Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study	Room 401
6:15	Epworth Ringers	Bell Room
Wednesday, January 18		
7:30	Youth Breakfast Club	Biscuitville, 669 Huffman Mill Road
2:00	Fresh Mobile Market	Parking Lot
7:00	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
Thursday, January 19		
9:30	Prayer Ministry	Room 402/Zoom
10:00	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Room 405
7:00	Building and Grounds Team Meeting	Ministry Center
7:00	Visioning Team Meeting	Room 402
Sunday, January 22		
8:45	Aldersgate Contemporary Worship	Aldersgate Hall
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
9:45	Aldersgate Praise Band Rehearsal	Chapel
11:00	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:00	Children's Choir	Sanctuary
6:00	UMYF	Aldersgate Hall

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The following dates are available to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one: **January 29 and February 5, 12, 19, and 26**. For more information, please contact Linda Paul at 336-543-5081 (cell) or kpaul5@triad.rr.com.

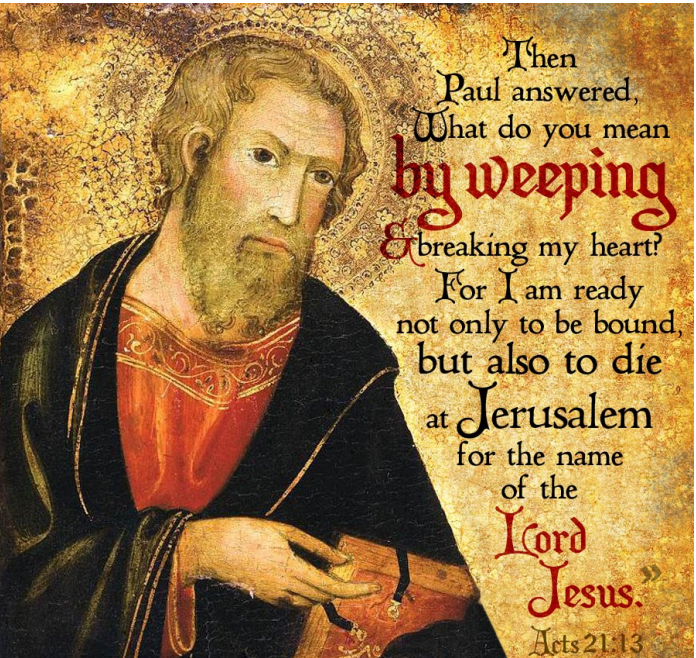
LIVE-STREAMING

We are pleased to be able to live-stream our 11:00 a.m. worship each week for the benefit of those who are not able to be physically present. For those who would prefer to not be on camera, we endeavor to make the back half of the sanctuary a non-video zone. If you have any questions about this service, please feel free to speak with Pastor Ray. For Aldersgate sermons, search Aldersgate@FSUMC wherever you find podcasts to listen to past sermons.

FRONT STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Our Mission:

Knowing Christ • Growing in Christ • Sharing Christ



Pastors

Rev. Ray Warren
Rev. Stephan Margeson

Children's Minister

Melissa Miller

Youth Minister

Chris Huneycutt

Minister of Visitation

Leslie B. Peavy

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Follow Us



Welcome: At Front Street, we follow a rhythm of prayer and worship found in *The United Methodist Hymnal*. *The United Methodist Hymnal* (UMH) is the red, hardbound book found in the pew racks. *The Faith We Sing* (TFWS) is the black, softbound book located behind the UMH in the pew racks. An asterisk (*) indicates to stand, where able. The people's responses are printed in **bold**. Before the worship service, we invite you to prepare your hearts to receive God's love and to feel connected to the Body of Christ. Please take a moment to sign the pew pads. After the worship service, green recycling boxes can be found in the narthex for disposal of worship guides. Thank you for helping us with our creation care.

GATHERING AND COMMUNITY CONCERNS

PRELUDE	Two Pieces for Organ	Gerald Bales
	1. Elegiac Prelude	(1919-2002)

Leader: Come and worship, all you who love and serve the Lord—

People: outsiders and insiders, old-timers and newcomers, the young, old and the in-between.

Leader: Come as you are, with your fears, grief, pain, joys, and mountaintops, for this is God's house—a house for all people, in all conditions.

All: Let us worship our Lord, who welcomes us all.

*** PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH No. 140 Great Is Thy Faithfulness**
FAITHFULNESS

Faithful God, I bless you every chance I get; my lungs expand with your praise! I live and breathe you, God!

So if things aren't going well; when things aren't going well...when the world does not seem to be big enough to have me; when the plans I make fall through; when the opportunities ahead of me seem fruitless or non-existent; when the people around me fail me, or worse, when I fail the people around me;

~ based on Psalm 34:1-4

All children are invited to come forward to the chancel steps.
Children ages 4 – first grade may then depart
for Children's Church in Room 309.

Peace be to you and grace from Him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed His blood
That we might saved be.

Sing Holy, Holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing Holy, Holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,
For Christ is coming soon!

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!
-Revelation 22; adapted by Paul O. Manz

Lord, you have come to us in the form of a vulnerable child; you teach us that the last are first and the first, last; you lead us on a Way to new life that leads through death. Truly your wisdom is different than ours! Meet us in this place and as we read and hear your Word, teach us your foolish wisdom and your vulnerable power; give us joy to receive it fully and courage to live it foolishly, through Jesus Christ, your Wisdom and Word.

SCRIPTURE LESSON	Psalms 40:1-11 Acts 21:8-15	OT Page 513 NT Page 142
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SERMON **Fear and Faith** Rev. Ray Warren

Thank you for your support of the mission and ministry of the church. If you would prefer to make your contribution via Text-to-Give, just text your offering amount to FSUMC's dedicated number, 336-489-GIVE (4483).

*** DOXOLOGY** **LASST UNS ERFREUEN**

All Singing: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ,
whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! UMH No. 94

*** THE APOSTLES' CREED** UMH No. 881

*** CLOSING HYMN TFWS No. 2130 The Summons KELVINGROVE**

POSTLUDE	Two Pieces for Organ 2. Sortie Brève	Gerald Bales
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WELCOME! We're glad that you have chosen to worship with us today. Following this service, there is a gathering in the Heritage Center for fellowship and refreshments. Please join us. Our hosts this week are Tom and Vickie Sykes.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in loving, grateful memory of Scott Huneycutt by his family.

THE ROSEBUD ON THE ALTAR is given to the glory of God and in honor of Frances Louise, daughter of Brandon and Katherine Thomas Jones, born on January 4. Proud grandmother is Lisa Thomas.

MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD serving in January are Stacey Lahey, Clara Clayton, Janie Crouch, Mary Zeta Hornaday, and Robin Mann.

THE PRAYER REQUEST CARDS in the pews may be placed in the offering or in the Prayer Request Boxes in the reading area and the narthex area, or you may email the Prayer Ministry Team at prayer@frontstreetumc.org. We thank team member LaDonna Boyd, who will be in the Prayer Room on our behalf at noon to pray for requests given on the Prayer Request Cards.

AT THE TABLE: be sure to check out the latest *At the Table* video premiering Saturday morning at 6:00 a.m. on YouTube and Facebook.