

#### APRIL FOOD COLLECTION FOR EASTLAWN BACKPACK MINISTRY

In **April**, we are collecting the following items: canned carrots, fruit bars, fruit cups, and peanut butter crackers. Please deposit donations on the bottom shelf of the Donation Center located in the Reading Area.

#### CEREAL SUNDAY

**Today** is Cereal Sunday at FSUMC! Please deposit cereal or other canned/dry goods on the top shelf of the Donation Center in the Reading Area. Feel free to drop off these items any time during the month.

#### WHEELCHAIR RAMP BUILD

The next wheelchair ramp build is scheduled for **Saturday, April 11**. If you're able to lend a hand or need more details, please contact Tom Sineath at tom.sineath@gmail.com.

#### LITTLE LAMBS PLAYGROUP, SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 10-11:30 A.M.

Little Lambs Toddler Playgroup is a relaxed Saturday morning gathering at church for children birth - 4 years old and their parents or caregivers. Families are encouraged to come as they are and stay as long as they are able. Please RSVP to Kelby at kelbylwest@gmail.com.

#### FAITHFUL FAMILIES

Starting on **April 12th**, Faithful Families will include Bible Study on Sunday mornings! Parents/guardians of children and youth will continue to gather every Sunday in Room 301 from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. to share where we see God at work in our lives AND to grow deeper in our relationship with God through Bible Studies. Our first Bible Study will be 5 weeks long using *Unafraid: Living with Courage and Hope in Uncertain Times* by Adam Hamilton. Children may attend children's Sunday School or nursery on the 3rd floor, and youth (grades 6-12) will gather in Room 303 to build Christian community together.

#### UMW APRIL MEETINGS

**UMW Morning Circle** meets **Monday, April 13** at 10:00 a.m. in the Heritage Center (program by Rett Davis; bring items for welcome baskets).

**UMW Evening Circle** meets **Tuesday, April 14** at 6:30 p.m. in the Heritage Center (program by Stephanie Campbell of Dinner Bell Farm). All women are invited.

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FRESH MOBILE MARKET | WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15 | 2-3:30 P.M.

##### NORTHSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We need helping hands to pack food, load cars, and direct traffic at our Fresh Mobile Market. Your time and energy make a direct impact—thank you for helping get food into the hands of the hungry! Volunteers, please arrive at the site at 1:15 p.m.

#### PLAYSCHOOL SUNDAY

We are excited to invite you to a special celebration on **Sunday, April 19**, as we observe Playschool Sunday during our 11:00 a.m. traditional worship service. Our Playschool children will share some of what they have been learning by singing during the service. We hope you will join us as we come together in worship, gratitude, and joy, celebrating the gift of our Playschool ministry and all who are part of it.

#### FRONT STREET SENIORS COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

Join us for a special gathering designed to celebrate the wisdom, faith, and fellowship of our senior church family. Coffee and Conversation will be held on **Thursday, April 30** at 10 a.m. in the Heritage Center. Please RSVP to Leslie (lesliebpeavy@gmail.com) by **Sunday, April 26** so we can prepare accordingly.

#### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The following dates are available to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one: **April 12 and 19 and May 10, 17, and 24**. Please contact Linda Paul at 336-543-5081 or ldrose4717@gmail.com for details or to sign up.

#### VBS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Get ready for Vacation Bible School, **August 3-7**, for kids entering 4 year old preschool through 5th grade. Visit frontstreetumc.org/events to learn more and register.

#### CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 5, 2026

##### Sunday, April 5

9:00	Aldersgate Contemporary Worship	Aldersgate Hall
9:30	Children's Choir	Choir Room
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
10:00	Easter Egg Hunt	FSUMC
11:00	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary

##### Monday, April 6 - Church Office Closed

##### Tuesday, April 7

8:00	Men's Breakfast Bible Study	Heritage Center
9:30	Cynthia Powell Women's Bible Study	Room 401

##### Thursday, April 9

10:00	Knitting & Crocheting Group	Room 405
7:00	Building and Grounds Meeting	John Wesley Room

##### Saturday, April 11

8:30	Wheelchair Ramp Build	
9:00	Epworth Ringers	Bell Room
10:00	Little Lambs Playgroup	Room 304
10:30	Chancel Choir	Choir Room

##### Sunday, April 12

9:00	Aldersgate Contemporary Worship	Aldersgate Hall
9:30	Children's Choir	Choir Room
9:45	Sunday School	Classrooms
11:00	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
2:30	MYF at Youth Spring Service Day at Camp Chestnut Ridge	Meet at Church

#### 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.

# FRONT STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

#### Our Mission:

*Knowing Christ • Growing in Christ • Sharing Christ*



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Rev. Ray Warren

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**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**APRIL 5, 2026**  
**EASTER DAY**  
**COMMUNION SUNDAY**

Welcome to the traditional worship service of Front Street!  
Please take a moment to fill out the attendance pad found at the end of each pew. You can receive a digital worship kit by texting "Worship" to 833-337-8517. During the worship service we invite you to stand as you are able (indicated by \*) and join your voice in reading, singing, or praying the **bold** text. As you prepare for worship, please feel encouraged to say hello to your neighbors, or spend a moment in solitude with God.

**ELEVEN O'CLOCK**

**GATHERING AND COMMUNITY MATTERS**

**PRELUDE** **I Will Raise You Up**  
Graham & Loveland

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Christ is Risen!

**People: He is Risen Indeed!**

Leader: My friends, sinners and saints, Christ is Risen!

**People: He is Risen Indeed!**

**All: We witness and worship our Risen Lord Jesus Christ today!**

**\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH No. 302 vv.1-4**

**Christ the Lord Is Risen Today**  
Epworth Ringers **EASTER HYMN**

**\* PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened to us the light of eternity. Open our minds and kindle our hearts with the presence of your Spirit, that we may hear your words of comfort and challenge in the reading of your Word, through Jesus Christ our Risen Lord. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 118:17-24** NIV

*(Please read the bold aloud with the lay speaker.)*

I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done. The Lord has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death. Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord through which the righteous may enter.

**I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.** The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. The Lord has done it this very day; **let us rejoice today and be glad.**

**\* HYMN UMH No. 307** **Christ Is Risen** **W ZLOBIE LEZY**

**\* NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE** **Luke 24:1-12** NT Page 90

**SERMON** **"He Is Risen"** Rev. Ray Warren

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

*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).*

**OFFERTORY** **Resurrection Day!** Larry Shackley  
Chancel Choir  
Children's Choir

**\* 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

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Loving God, we confess that at times we do not share in the joy of the resurrection, but are caught in the worries of the world. We confess that we do not always live in the Spirit of new life but remain discontent, grumbling and anxious. Forgive us for not sharing in the Good News. Forgive us when we find it more comfortable to worry and complain than to risk the joy and encouragement of new life in Christ. Call us back to your ways, O God, to seek hope and reconciliation, restoration and peace. In the name of the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**The Great Thanksgiving** **UMH No. 17**  
**The Lord's Prayer** **(Musical Setting A)**  
**The Sharing of Bread and Cup**

*If you are unable to come forward for communion, please acknowledge an usher to be served where you are seated.*

**COMMUNION MUSIC** **Hallelujah** Leonard Cohen  
**Amazing Grace** arr. Mark Hayes

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others. In the name of Jesus Christ our Risen Lord. Amen.**

**\* CLOSING HYMN UMH No. 159** **Lift High the Cross** **CRUCIFER**

**\* BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** **Highland Cathedral** arr. Charles Callahan  
Percussion: David Moran

**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 Marshall and Carol Old.

**YOUNG DISCIPLES ON COMMUNION SUNDAY:** Today, we celebrate communion, and there is no formal children's church during this service. All children are invited to remain in the service to participate in communion (i.e. community). The nursery will remain open for children up to age 5.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Easter Sunday and Chris and Betsy Huneycutt's 25th Anniversary.

**MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR GUILD** serving in April are Marianna Harris, Teresa Chandler, Lee Ann Michel, Carol Old, and Meredith Self.

**WE THANK** the following for their service during our worship service:

Communion Servers: Jim and Martha Brannock, Rett and Jan Davis, and George and Nancy Yates  
Lay Reader: Rett Davis  
Percussion: David Moran

**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 Betty Huneycutt, who will be in the Prayer Room on our behalf at noon to pray for requests given on the Prayer Request Cards.