



Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, June 30

Third Sunday After Pentecost

Worship

8:30 & 11 a.m. – Nave
All In

Rev. Chuck Starks
2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Wednesday, July 3

No Midday Service

Sunday, July 7

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship with Holy Communion

8:30 & 11 a.m. – Nave

Prescription Refused

Rev. Chuck Starks
2 Kings 5:1-14

Wednesday, July 10

12 p.m. – Chapel
Rev. Chuck Starks

HAPPENING AT CHURCH STREET

Adult Summer Elective Series Kicks Off July 7

Join us in Parish Hall each Sunday this July for special presentations by religious scholars, as part of our Adult Summer Elective Series. Topics include: "Death in the Amphitheatre: Why the Romans Persecuted Early Christians" (July 7); "Judaism and the Afterlife: Jewish Views of Heaven & Hell" (July 14); "Who was Satan? Perspectives from the Renaissance" (July 21); and "God the Father (-in-Law): Early Female Saints as Brides of Christ" (July 28).



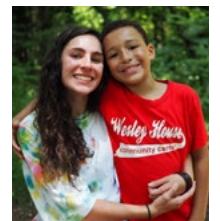
Fifth Sunday Offering: June 30

On Sunday, June 30, Church Street will observe a Fifth Sunday offering. For the children and staff at Holston Home for Children, this is one of the most important days of the year. Because of generous offerings given by donors like you, children encounter hope for a better future. You can help us continue in our mission to provide hope and healing to children and families struggling with life's challenges. Please give generously on Sunday, June 30, and help us change lives for tomorrow.



MAD In The City with Church Street Youth

In July, our youth will participate in their annual Making a Difference (MAD) in the City mission project! Our students grades 6-12 will partner with the students and staff at Wesley House for a week of fun and fellowship. Our youth will provide academic assistance, delicious lunches, and field trip opportunities for our friends at Wesley House. It is a time for us to build meaningful relationships and share the love of Christ within our community. Please lift up our middle and high schoolers, their leaders, and everyone at Wesley House as we all look forward to MAD in the City!



Save the Dates!

2019 Children's Choir Preview: Sunday, August 11, 12-3 pm, at the church (for children, rising 1st-5th grades).

2019 Youth Choir Retreat: August 17 & 18 at The Standard in downtown Knoxville. Open to all Youth, rising 6th-12th grades. Watch your mail this summer for registration forms.

Preschool Thank You

The CSUMC Preschool would like to thank the Susanna Wesley Circle for their donation of bubbles and sidewalk chalk to increase our summer fun! Also, we would like to thank Howard & Lynn Vandernaald for their donation of stickers and gently-loved books. **Don't forget that the Preschool is always happy to accept good condition used crib sheets and small blankets.**



WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR CHURCH STREET?

Calendar: June 30 – July 13

Worship

Worship
Sunday, 6/30 8:30 & 11 am,
Nave

Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday, 7/7 8:30 & 11 am,
Nave

Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sundays, 8:30 am, WVLT-TV

Midweek Noonday Service
Wednesdays, 12 pm, Chapel
No Wednesday Noonday
Service on 7/3

Sunday School 9:40 AM

Beacon of Hope

BOH Benevolence Team
Tuesdays, 12 pm, Vestal UMC

BOH Food Co-Op
Thursday, 7/11, 9:30 am, Vestal
UMC

Meetings & Ministry

Hunger Helper Market
Sundays, 8 am, Breezeway

Parish Health Ministry Team
Sunday, 6/30, 12 pm, Parish Hall

Benevolence Team
Mondays, 12 pm, Office

Men of God Group
Tuesdays, 10 am, rm-202

Soup Kitchen
Thursdays, 11 am, Parish Hall

Summer Adult Elective Series
Sundays in July, 9:40 am,
Parish Hall

Stephen Ministry Meeting
Sunday, 7/7, 1:30 pm, rm-201A

SASH
Tuesday, 7/9, 6 pm, rm-202

Worship Committee Meeting
Tuesday, 7/9, 11 am, rm-201A

Trustees Meeting
Wednesday, 7/10, rm-201A

Meetings & Ministry

Sharing Shop
Monday, 7/8, 12 pm
CLC-126

Youth

Youth Bible Study
Wednesdays, 10 am, off-site

MAD in The City
Sunday, 7/7-Wednesday, 7/10
CLC

UMW

Circle #11 Mary and Martha
Wednesday, 7/10, 7 pm, Parlor

Singles & Fellowship

Bridge Group
Mondays, 6 pm, rm-201C

*YOGA takes a break until
September 2.

Newsletter Deadline:

Please submit written articles and photos that you wish to be published in the next bi-weekly edition of *The Messenger* by Friday, July 5 at noon to: communications@churchstreetumc.org

Church Street will be closed on July 4. Happy Independence Day!



— Prayer Shawl Ministry —

The prayer shawl ministry began in 2012 as a coordinated effort of the Congregational Care Committee and the Service Circle of Church Street United Methodist Women. During the seven years of this ministry, 400 prayer shawls have been given to church members and friends who are ill, bereaved, lonely, receiving chemotherapy and radiation, or are living in nursing homes, assisted living, or are home bound.

The prayer shawls are knitted and crocheted by members of the UMW Service Circle. They are all colors and styles and are meant to offer a comfort and warmth to

those who are experiencing life changes. They are delivered by staff, members of the Congregational Care Committee and volunteers. A prayer card for each season accompanies these beautiful works of art. The shawls are blessed by the clergy, and the person who delivers the shawl prays the prayer written on the card of the shawl.

The prayer shawls are for both men and women. They are washable and are non-allergenic. If you know anyone who could find comfort from receiving a prayer shawl, please contact coordinator Verna McLain at 865-659-0612 by phone or text.

Training Opportunities

Lay Servant Training in the Tennessee Valley District will be offered on August 24, 2019 at Middlebrook Pike UMC. Lay Servant Basic and Advanced courses in Prayer and UM Heritage will be offered. For additional information, please contact District Director of Lay Servant Ministries, Bobby Stair at bsstair@comcast.net or 865-776-0580.

Five-Day Academy for Spiritual Formation: July 14-19 at Emory & Henry College, VA

The Upper Room Academy for Spiritual Formation invites both clergy and laity to deepen their relationship with God through a daily rhythm of worship, learning, community, and renewal. Experience the Academy through five days of full-time attendance and onsite residency. Contact Renni P. Morris at rennimorris@gmail.com or call 865.386.8125 for more info. **Deadline is June 30!**

Mission Forward

Report from Holston Annual Conference 2019

When you register for Annual Conference in Holston, each delegate receives a Book of Worship. This year the theme "Healing Hands" seemed particularly appropriate as we turned our eyes to the call of Jesus to "Follow Me." The four gospels emphasize the important role of healing in Jesus' ministry and in the work of his disciples as he sent them out while he was still living.

And so from the opening Hymn of Unity "And Are We Yet Alive" on the evening of Pentecost Sunday, through the Annual Conference Choir singing "Healing Rain," to Bishop Taylor's message, Holy Communion, and singing "Agnus Dei" during the distribution of the elements, we knew we had arrived at the Holy Conferencing that is the aim of Annual Conference.

Mission-Centric

The educational portion of Annual Conference focused our missional emphasis on addiction. Speaker Tim Hilton told us that although he was at the height of his success at the time, on February 23, 2005 he was ready to commit suicide. He went on to explain how drugs influence the operation of different parts of the brain, and, although there are genetic differences in the responses, the primal brain that is programmed for survival can override the operation of the rational brain. The emotional process in addicts shuts down. The memories of all the hurt of lost relationships remain but are unprocessed until the addiction is broken. Only then does the former addict feel the emotional pain. We collected an offering

of \$129,733 to fight opioid addiction during the Missions Celebration. Church Street member and lay delegate Stephanie Strutner, Executive Director of ASAP of Anderson, gave an excellent presentation on opioid use disorder in our churches. For every eight people in Holston's 872 congregations, at least one person is in need of support for substance use disorder or recovery.



We delighted in hearing the young drummers from Lennon-Seney (pictured) and from our two missionaries in Willow, Alaska: Rev. Joe-d DowlingSoka and Rev. Christina DowlingSoka, who serve 2000 people within 600 square miles. The Change for Children offering totaled \$61,990, and Holston Conference collected 9,042 mission kits for Zimbabwe and Liberia, and a brief presentation by Nancy Chinzvede, director of Ishe Anesu mission school in Zimbabwe, was given.

The Conference also held a Peace with Justice lunch with speakers Rev. Leah Burns and Helen Ryde. They both shared thoughts and ideas about becoming a more racially just and inclusive church, and why we simply cannot have peace without justice. The Mission Celebration

included a video about the 150 years of service of United Methodist Women in Holston Conference, and Rev. George Howard from the General Board of Global Ministry celebrated the support of 300+ ministers in 60 different countries around the world. He also noted that in 1819 women formed the New York Missionary Society.

Celebrating the Lives and Work of Jesus' Disciples

The memorial service for clergy and clergy spouses who died since the last Annual Conference included members of our own church family: Mary Jane Ripley and Rev. John Shelton, a former Church Street pastor. The retirement recognition, which included our own Rev. Rick Isbell, provided other opportunities to celebrate the work of spreading Jesus' message of healing and reconciliation. Hiwassee College was also recognized in a moving tribute as it closed its doors in May after 170 years.

At the closing service our own retired Bishop Richard Looney asked those who were ordained, recognized, or commissioned, what they were going to do with it. He challenged them to:

- Learn to preach.
- Let your love of God shine through every week.
- Love is a powerful force — Stand up for the truth.
- Tell yourself, "I am somebody; I am a child of the King."

Elections and Resolutions

See the back of this page for the full listing of delegates and resolution information.

— Pat Bellingrath and Tom Hood
Lay Delegates

The Delegates



HOLSTON CONFERENCE
of The United Methodist Church

General Conference delegates -

Lay:

Emily Ballard (leader)
Del Holley
Anne Travis
John Eldridge - Church Street member
Donna Mosby
Becky Hall
Amanda Onks (alternate)
Charles McEntyre (alternate)

General Conference delegates -

Clergy:

Kim Goddard
Wil Cantrell
Paul Seay
Mary Thompson
Randy Frye
Sharon Bowers
Lauri Jo Cranford (alternate)
Josh Kilbourne (alternate)

Jurisdictional delegates - Lay:

Amanda Onks
Charles McEntyre
Reagan Kelly
Jim Gass
Nate Roark
Leamon Burl Lawson
Sam England (alternate)
Dawson Kitts (alternate)

Jurisdictional delegates - Clergy:

Lauri Jo Cranford
Josh Kilbourne
David Graybeal
Kristen Burkhart
Sarah Varnell
Mark Flynn
Amy Aycock Sumrall (alternate)
Caleb Frazier (alternate)

The Resolutions

The theme of this year's conference was "Healing Hands," and it was in this spirit that much work was done to further an inclusive UMC. While much work was done around the resolution printed below, two additional resolutions were adopted during Conference of great importance: **"Black Methodists for Church Renewal"** and **"Every Barrier Down: Toward Full Embrace of All Women in Church and Society."** Read more about these two resolutions by visiting the Holston Conference online at Holston.org and searching Holston Conference Book of Reports.

The Annual Conference adopted a resolution by a vote of 573 to 301. Titled "Holston Conference Commitment in Being in Ministry Together," the resolution was adopted after a 40-minute discussion involving about 15 speakers, including speeches for and against.

Holston Conference Commitment in Being in Ministry Together

WHEREAS, the Special Session of the General Conference of the United Methodist Church, convened in February 2019 adopted the Traditional Plan as its way forward,

WHEREAS, United Methodists of Holston Annual Conference remain divided in our response to the General Conference decision, and thus the Body of Christ as a whole has suffered;

WHEREAS, LGBTQAI+ persons have often been excluded from full inclusion and welcome in our churches and our ministries;

THEREFORE, we the members of Holston Conference commit ourselves to the world-wide United Methodist Church, all its peoples and all its ministries.

THEREFORE, we commit ourselves to welcome and affirm LGBTQAI+ persons

in the churches of Holston, knowing them as persons of God's sacred worth. THEREFORE, Be it Resolved that as the Holston Annual Conference we commit ourselves to join hands as one, united through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness as we work together toward God's hope for the people of Holston and grieve for the harm caused to the body of Christ and its witness in the world.

LECTIONARY READINGS

June 30

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14
1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21
Galatians 5:1, 13-25
Luke 9:51-62

July 7

2 Kings 5:1-14
Isaiah 66:10-14
Galatians 6:(1-6), 7-16
Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

Reminder to All Committees:



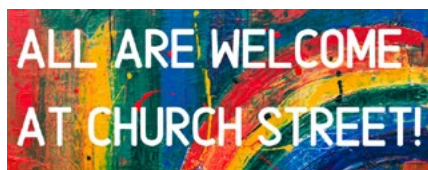
Please send a copy of meeting minutes to Kate Spencer, kspencer@churchstreetumc.org, and she will archive them on the

server of the church for historical purposes. If you have any minutes from previous years that were not sent to Loretta Best, please send those to Kate, also.

CSUMC Reconcilers Meeting: July 21



The Church Street Reconcilers will meet in the chapel to hear from **Marla Marcum**, who is on the leadership team for UM Forward, at 6 pm on July 21. We will hear from her about the recent Our Movement Forward Summit held in Minneapolis, as well as a recap of Annual Conference. All are welcome.



Welcome Statement: Next Steps

At the June Church Council Meeting, members approved the following welcome statement: "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."

CLERGY CORNER

Together, Let's Think About...

Rev. Dr. Jim Bailes

Many of you affectionately remember the ministry of Rev. Jim Bailes here at Church Street. He served this congregation as one of the associate pastors for seven years.

Jim and his wife Diane have continued, after his retirement, to worship here upon occasion.

Diane is engaged with one of our United Methodist Women Circles, and this couple has carried a deep appreciation for the important ministries and missions of this great church.

Recently, Jim contacted me and offered to help Church Street on a

part-time basis with any ministry needs we might have. He has particularly expressed interest in visitation and Bible Study. Jim told me that his one caveat was that he would only serve without pay.



Jim has enjoyed a long, successful and significant ministry in Holston Conference. He has served well as Pastor in several congregations. And many persons here at Church Street have happy memories of his ministry among us.

Jim will begin his ministry here on July 1, and I know you will join me in gladly welcoming him and Diane.

God bless you, Jim, as you come alongside us in ministry.

— Chuck

The Welcoming Statement of Church Street United Methodist Church will be used both internally and externally to share the inclusive gospel of Jesus Christ with members of our community.

The statement will be published permanently in the following places:

- Sunday order of worship
- Church Street website under appropriate Welcome headings, as well as the website footer
- Church Street's electronic media boards
- Printed, framed posters in the CLC Youth Areas
- Church Street's social media accounts' "About Us" sections, space permitting

The statement may be used at the discretion of the Director of Communications and Communications Committee for media, community outreach, and other future opportunities as they arise. No one shall use the welcoming statement in published media or on behalf of the church without written approval from the Director of Communications. Distribution of the statement in these spaces will begin in **July 2019**.

Please contact Katie Strangis, Director of Communications, with any questions: 865.521.0299 or communications@churchstreetumc.org.

Our Prayers

In the Hospital

UT: Allen Justin O'Hara
Patricia Neal: Ted Helms
Parkwest: Evelyn Davis, Nancy Roth

Home from the hospital

Madeline Hylton
Shirley Kanipes
Bob Paulson
Powell Richardson

Christian love and sympathy to:

The family and friends of Zurma Caldwell, who died on June 17.

The family and friends of Mary Halcie Palm, mother of Davette Gregory, who died on June 19.

The family and friends of Patrick Elliott, who died on June 24.

Our Presence: June 9

Sunday School	261
Sunday Worship	450

Our Gifts: June 9

Received toward Budget	\$ 23,999.76
Building for Christ Campaign	\$ 407,124.61
Hunger Helper	\$ 156.50
Other	\$ 36,288.50

Our Presence: June 16

Sunday School	243
Sunday Worship	385

Our Gifts: June 16

Received toward Budget	\$ 27,056.80
Building for Christ Campaign	\$ 691.00
Hunger Helper	\$ 141.50
Other	\$ 1,764.00

Memorials

In memory of:

- **James C. Fallis**
Sterchi Lodge: Linda & Bill Nix
- **Suzonne Gray**
Music: Edgar & Shirley Smith
- **Lynne Taylor**
Music: Edgar & Shirley Smith
- **Zurma Caldwell**
Music: Allison & Anne Ensor

Our Church Family

IN MEMORIAM

Zurma Caldwell

Joined: 10/1/1965 Died: 6/17/2019

Patrick Elliott

Joined: 4/26/1998 Died: 6/24/2019

Baptisms

Harrison Rose Huie, daughter of **Garner and Brianne Huie**, was baptized on June 16.

Weddings

Emily K. Craig and John Werner III were married June 22 at Church Street with Rev. Dr. Chuck Starks officiating.

New Arrival

Reese Lily McIntosh was born June 3 to Brooke and Sean McIntosh. Grandparents are **Doug and Elaine Batchelor**.

Altar Flowers

June 30

The Chancel altar flowers are given in memory of Harley D. Ferguson, Sr., Jean A. Ferguson, and Margaret Ferguson by H. Doug Ferguson, Jr., and Lovada Ferguson.

The Chapel altar flowers are from the wedding of Jill Pittman and John Maier and are given in memory of family members who have passed away.

July 7

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Laura White by her family.

The Chapel Altar Flowers are given by Harold and Sarah Wimberly in honor of our wonderful pastors.

Honorariums

In honor of:

- **Rick Isbell**
Education: Frank & Kathie Bemus & Brittany Pattillo
Music: Edgar & Shirley Smith
- **Ann Marie Tugwell**
Youth: Dash Roberts

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Staff Directory

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Senior Pastor Chuck Starks–260

Senior Associate Pastor Dawn Chesser–279

Associate Pastor Palmer Cantler–298

Minister of Spiritual Enrichment Jan Wade–264

Visitation Pastors

Rev. Andy Ferguson, 865-806-0086

Beginning July 1: Rev. Jim Bailes, 865-919-8328

Director of Music Ministries Tim Ward–276

Music Associate/Organist Edie Johnson–277

Children's Ministry Katryn Bancroft–282

Child Care Coordinator

Sarah Burtch, 865-567-0913

Youth/College Ministries Jenny Cross–287

Preschool Director Beth Libby: 524-3511

Church Administrator Kate Spencer–268

Bookkeeper Francine Jenne–267

Administrative Assistant Kelly Woods–262

Executive Secretary Doris Lively–271

Part-time Secretary Eileen Weber–278

Director of Communications Katie Strangis –299

Sterchi Lodge Caretakers

Jack & Barbara Bratton, 828-622-3524

Maintenance Supervisor Keith Bailey–295

Head Custodian Jeffery Rose–274

Custodians: Dedra Ellison, Robin Crain,
Kevin Bailey

Beacon of Hope Dona McConnell: 599-5047



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