

Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 31

Trinity Sunday

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11 AM – Nave
Rev. Matthew Hampton

Wednesday, June 3

Midweek Communion

Noon - Rev. Ashley Helton
Lunch will be served in Parish Hall
after the service.
Call 524-3048 to make reservations.

Thursday, June 4

Community Worship

12:15 p.m. - Chapel
Rev. Matt Hampton

Sunday, June 7

3rd Sunday of Pentecost

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11 AM – Nave
Rev. Ashley Helton

Wednesday, June 10

No Midweek Communion Service

(Due to Annual Conference)

Thursday, June 11

No Community Worship

(Due to Annual Conference)

Join Us For Vacation Bible School

We hope you will join us for three evenings of fun, June 15-17, at Vacation Bible School! Each night will begin at 5:30 p.m. with an optional snack supper (\$2 per person). VBS programming will be from 6-8 p.m. Register your child (4 years old - 5th grade) at www.churchstreetumc.org. We need volunteers to make VBS a success. Please contact Sara Pierce at spierce@churchstreetumc.org to sign up.



Summer Lecture Series Begins June 14

A devious serpent, goring oxen, a talking donkey, bereaved mother birds, and possessed swine: the Bible is more heavily populated with animals than is often recognized. Animals have not been a central concern for readers of Scripture. It has been argued that the Christian tradition is, rightly or wrongly, concerned only with what human beings are and how they relate to other human beings. Concern for animal well-being may be honorable, but it is not seen to be a necessary Christian virtue. In this series, Dr. Phillip Sherman will explore what the Bible assumes about the nature of animal lives (do they have souls and do they 'think?') and examine whether biblical texts could or should translate into contemporary concerns for the lives of animals.

The Summer Lecture Series will be held on Sundays, June 14, 21 & 28, in Parish Hall beginning at 9:40 a.m. All are invited!

Youth Choir Tour Departs This Week

On Friday, May 29, the Church Street Parish Youth Choir will embark on a Canadian tour to Montréal and Québec City. The youth will sing four concerts during the tour. On Sunday, May 31, they will sing for the service at St. James United Church in Montréal. They will also have the opportunity to sing for Les Petits Chanteurs on the grounds of St. Joseph's Oratory and for two retirement centers in Québec City. Along with the concerts, the group will have the chance to do some sightseeing at significant landmarks and enjoy French cuisine. Please pray for these young people and their chaperones as they travel and share their gifts with others.



Reception to Honor Pastor Andy

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee invites you to a reception honoring Pastor Andy to celebrate his retirement after 43 years of service in the United Methodist Church. Please join us on Sunday, June 14, from 2-4 p.m. in Parish Hall. If you would like to contribute to a love offering for Pastor Andy, please place a designated check in the offering plate or drop a check by the church office. You may also give online at www.churchstreetumc.org.

Getting Ahead Graduation Ceremony

Everyone is invited to attend the graduation ceremony for the next class of Getting Ahead on Monday, June 15, at 6 p.m. at Vestal UMC. Rev. Darryll Rasnake, who inspired the broader Beacon of Hope vision for this outreach ministry, will be the keynote speaker. The ceremony culminates eight weeks of intensive investigation of the causes of poverty and the individual resources each student needs to chart a positive future story. The students have prepared an individualized plan highlighting changes they desire. Mentors will monitor their progress and offer encouragement and support as requested or needed. The graduation ceremony is designed to recognize the students' accomplishments and commitment to change. Eleven students started the class and all are scheduled to complete course requirements. This represents a 100% graduation rate. Nationally the completion rate is 75%. The "Getting Ahead in a Just Getting By World" program represents the second class commencement ceremony for BOH.

Fifth Sunday Offering

For 112 years, United Methodists and Holston Home have been a team, working together to minister to the needs of children, youth and families in the Holston Conference and beyond. Your offering on Sunday, May 31, makes a difference. Please give generously. You can also donate to Holston Home on the Church Street website, www.churchstreetumc.org. Click on "Give Online" to make your donation to Holston Home.

Kay Center Honor Roll

Father's Day is just a few weeks away. We invite you to join the Kay Center Honor Roll by honoring a special man in your life by including them in our Father's Day Honor Roll--your father, grandfather, uncle, brother, teacher or friend.

Honor Roll funds will be used to support the Kay Center. Please stop by the tables located in the breezeway on Sunday, June 7 or 14, between 9:30-11 a.m. Donations should be made to Church Street United Methodist Church (please write KSCC in the memo line.)

Adult Bible Study Offered During VBS

During Vacation Bible School (June 15-17), Rev. Rick Isbell, Minister of Discipleship, will offer an adult elective study based on the book by Adam Hamilton entitled, *Making Sense of the Bible*. The study invites participants into an honest conversation about the Bible and the questions we all have about the Bible. The study will involve video presentations by Rev. Hamilton and small group discussion. While purchase of the book is recommended, it is not required to participate in the class. If interested, please contact Rick Isbell at risbell@churchstreetumc.org. Please note: a minimum of 10 people are needed for the class to be offered.

Church Street UMC Calendar: May 31-June 13

Worship

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)
Sunday, 2 pm, MyVLT
Midweek Communion Service
Wednesday, noon, Chapel
(No service June 10)
Community Worship
Thursday, 12:15 pm, Chapel
(No Service June 11)

Sunday School-9:40 AM

Youth

Bible Study
Wednesday, 10 am, off-site
(Begins 6/10)
Operation Backyard
June 12 & 13

Meetings & Ministry

Stephen Minister Training
Sunday, 3:30 pm, rm 201-A
Charge Conference
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Chapel
Lay Leadership
Wed., 5:30 pm, CLC 122
Properties Committee
Wed., 5:30 pm, rm 202
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall
Preschool Board
Thursday, 6:30 pm, rm 202

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Bridge
Monday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Yoga
Monday, 7 pm, rm 204
Young Men's Basketball
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym
Wed. Noon Adult Fellowship
Wed., 12:30 pm, Paish Hall
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

Singles

Friday Fun Night
Friday, 7 pm, Gym (6/5)

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A
(no study on 6/10)

UMW

Mildred Weeks Circle
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, off-site
Lydia Circle
Friday, noon, rm 119
Circle #6
Monday (6/8), 1:30 pm, rm 103
Circle #10
Tuesday (6/9), 10 am, rm 103
Circle #12
Tuesday (6/9), 10:30 am, offsite
Circle #8
Tuesday (6/9), 1:15 pm, rm 201-A
Circle #11
Wed. (6/10), 1:30 pm, rm 103

Lectionary READINGS

May 31
Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Romans 8:22-27
John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

June 7
1 Samuel 8:4-20
Psalm 138
2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1
Mark 3:20-35

June 14
1 Samuel 15:34-16:13
Psalm 20
2 Corinthians 5:6-10
Mark 4:26-34

Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

Annual conference is coming soon, and this means that changes will be coming. As usual, these changes will take place across the month of June. By July 1, Church Street Church will see some different faces.

Last Sunday, May 24, our summer Music/Youth Intern arrived. Chris Gillenwaters arrived just in time for the Youth End-of-the-Year party at our house. I did notice that he did not attempt the Slip-n-Slide. He will join the Youth Choir on Choir Tour beginning this Friday.

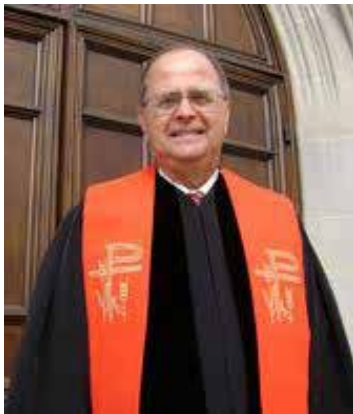
On June 7, Rev. Ashley Helton will preach for the last time on a Sunday at Church Street. You are invited to greet her from 9:40 - 10:40 a.m. in Parish Hall. Because she (and the other preachers) need to hurry off to Annual Conference, there will be limited time to greet her after the 11 a.m. worship service. During Annual Conference, Ashley will be appointed to Christ United Methodist Church in Halls.

On June 14, I will preach for the last time at Church Street. We will have a time of greeting later that Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. The annual conference recommendation is that moving preachers (like Ashley and me) not participate in Sunday worship after June 14. We will be available for pastoral care needs until the end of June. It appears that meetings will be possible but hopefully limited after June 14.

On June 29, Rev. David Graves and Rev. Barbara Clark will move into the church office and begin their ministry. Because that is a short week and they may be moving boxes into their offices, it would be wise to call before you come to see them during the first days of July.

Who stays the same? Rev. Nicole Krewson, Rev. Matt Hampton, Rev. Jan Wade, and Rev. Rick Isbell continue their ministries at Church Street. They will be available as usual during the last two weeks of June.

So, you see that by the end of June, the pastoral team will be different. They will be newly appointed and energized. It is going to be a very good year for the church and its witness for Christ.



MEETING notice

The Church Street Charge Conference will meet on Tuesday, June 2, at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel. The purpose of the Charge Conference is this: 1.) To elect a Building Committee, which will begin the next steps in the building project. 2.) To establish the Capital Campaign Executive committee and the Capital Campaign Connections Committees as standing committees of the church. 3.) To set the salary support for the new pastors, Rev. David Graves and Rev. Barbara Clark. The voting members of the Charge Conference are the elected members of the Church Council and all retired pastors attached to this charge.

BASEBALL game

Save the date and join us as Adult Council sponsors a trip to a Tennessee Smokies game on Friday, June 19. We plan to meet at the ballpark at 6:40 p.m. and tickets will be purchased on-site. Please call the church office at 524-3048 to make a reservation so we can have an accurate headcount of who will be joining us for the game.

SCHOLARSHIPS given

Congratulations to our scholarship winners! Meggi Weeks and Chloe Beth Armstrong are the recipients of the Carrie Ellis Memorial Scholarship. The Frankie Sherman Rasnake Scholarship was awarded to Matthew Cook and Jessica Logan. Each individual is receiving \$500.

Please note The Messenger will not be published next week. It will resume on Tuesday, June 9.

Yard Sale Donations Needed

Please consider donating items to the upcoming yard sale hosted by volunteers of the Beacon of Hope ministry at Vestal UMC. The sale will take place on Saturday, June 20, from 8 a.m. until noon and all proceeds will benefit the food co-op, benevolence and the Sharing Shop. We are hoping for lots of donations and we will accept most anything in good condition except clothing, books and computers. You may drop off your items at Vestal UMC on the following days:

- Wednesday, June 17, 4-7 p.m.
- Thursday, June 18, 1-4 p.m.
- Friday, June 19, 1-4 p.m.

There is a driveway between the main church building and the fellowship hall and volunteers will be there to help with the items on those days. If you would like to help with the sale, or need help with your items, please contact Pat Bellingrath at 591-6274 or Richard Ginn at 599-5047.

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:

Ft. Sanders: Larry Best, Roy Carter, Jean Brown

Tennova Hospice: Marjorie Siddens

Home from the Hospital:

Randall Dyer, Chuck Jones to Summit View
Farragut, Don Walsh to NHC Farragut

Christian Sympathy to:

Elizabeth Byers on the death of her father, John Helvey, on May 14.

Teresa Pursiful Graham on the death of her stepmother, Brenda Pursiful, on May 19.

Lloyd & Evelyn Davis on the death of their daughter-in-law, Andrea Davis, on May 18.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	510
Sunday School	300

Our Gifts

Received toward budget	\$27,666.10
Other	\$9,584.43
Hunger Helper	\$234

Altar Flowers for Sunday, May 31

The Chancel Altar flowers are given in honor of the marriage of Megan Garland and Drew Blackwell.

Memorials

In Memory of:

• Betty Bell

Capital Campaign: Gordon & Nancy Ridenour

• Mrs. E.L. Grubb

Capital Campaign: Dwight & Gloria Kessell

• Fred Trentham

Music: Harry & Sharon Moore

Honorariums

In Honor of:

• Rick & Sue Isbell

Capital Campaign: Gerald & Jane Gulley

Our Church Family

New Members:

- **Adam and Ashley Denton** joined by transfer of membership on Sunday, May 24, at the 11 a.m. service. Adam is transferring from Central UMC, Lenoir City, TN and Ashley is transferring from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Ft. Collins, CO.
- **Mary Alice Davis** joined by transfer of membership from Northside UMC, Atlanta, GA, on Sunday, May 24, at the 11 a.m. service.

Altar Flowers for Sunday, June 7

The Chapel Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Jim Hung by Sue Hung.

The Chapel Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Dr. Darrell & Mary Simmons and Sara M. Carmon by Jim & Nancy Carmon.

Contact Us

Church Office (865) 524-3048
Hours: Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Fax number (865) 521-0288
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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:

www.churchstreetumc.org
Watch *Rejoice!* on our web site.
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Staff Directory

Dial 521-0 + extension

Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson-260
Associate Pastor	Matt Hampton-279
Associate Pastor	Ashley Helton-263
Associate Pastor	Nicole Krewson-298
Minister of Spiritual Enrichment	Jan Wade-264
Minister of Discipleship	Rick Isbell-266
Director of Music Ministries	Tim Ward-276
Music Associate/Organist	Edie Johnson-277
Children's Director	Sara Pierce-282
Child Care Coordinator	Jamie McKinney-290
Youth Director	Jenny Darden-287
Preschool Director	Beth Libby-524-3511
Kay Center Director	Judith Winters-293
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
Building Superintendent	Walt Sands-295
Head Custodian	Brandon Amburn-274
Custodians:	Matt Newberry, Jason Mallette,
	Jonathan Breeden, Ruth Dalton
Beacon of Hope	Richard Ginn 599-5047

Join Us As We Say Goodbye to Pastor Ashley

Next month, Pastor Ashley will move to serve a new church. Her last Midweek Communion Service will be Wednesday, June 3. We hope you will join us for this service and stay afterwards for lunch as we wish Ashley well with her new appointment.

There will also be a time to greet her during the Sunday School hour (9:40-10:40 a.m.) on Sunday, June 7, in Parish Hall.

Save the Date

Party in the Parking Lot

Sunday, July 5
5:30 p.m.

More details to Come!



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