

Worship

OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, August 23

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11 AM – Nave

Rev. David Graves

“A Kairos Moment in a Chronos World”

Psalm 84

Wednesday, August 26

Midweek Communion

Noon - Rev. Barbara Clark

Lunch will be served after the service in Parish Hall. Please call 524-3048 to make a reservation.

Thursday, August 27

Community Worship

12:15 p.m. - Chapel

Rev. Matt Hampton

Hunger Helper Market

Open Every Sunday

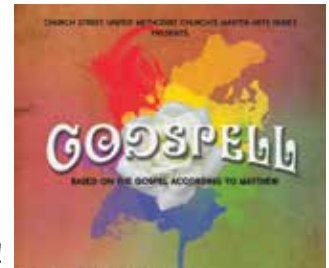
8:15-11:15 a.m.

in the Breezeway

Proceeds benefit Wesley House, the Sharing Shops, and the Beacon of Hope Food Co-op

Godspell Tickets Available Now

On August 27-30, the Master Arts Series will present the musical *Godspell* in Parish Hall. Tickets are \$10 each and are on sale now in the church office and online at www.churchstreetumc.org. You may also purchase tickets on Sundays in the Chapel hallway for 10 minutes after each service. To learn more about the cast of the show, check out the church's Facebook page!



Ways to Serve Church Street

Over the next two Sundays, August 23 and 30, the Lay Leadership Committee is polling our members concerning their preferences on one or more of Church Street's committees. Currently some 300 people serve on these committees, which conduct everything from outreach to the business functions of our congregation. During this time, you will be given the opportunity to express your personal interests and gifts by completing an Interest Form, listing service opportunities for terms beginning in 2016.

We urge you to take a few minutes to complete a survey, which will be available in Sunday school classes, worship services, and in the church office. Your completion of these surveys will be of great assistance in carrying out the work of the church; and, by completing these forms, you have the deep gratitude of your Lay Leadership Committee.

Habitat For Humanity

The Missions Committee wants to invite you to partner with them to participate in a Habitat for Humanity Project this October. Fundraising is going on now. For \$10 per foot, you can purchase and sign a stud that will actually be used in our Habitat for Humanity home. We need to raise \$5,000, so buy several feet! Stop by the Breezeway this Sunday to help support the build. You can sign up to volunteer by visiting www.churchstreetumc.org/habitat_2015.



Discover Church Street

The next Discover Church Street class for prospective members will take place on Sunday, September 13, at 4 p.m. in room 120 of the Church Life Center. This one time class for persons who have been visiting our church and want to know more is led by our clergy staff. It includes information about the beliefs and practices of The United Methodist Church, the mission and ministry of Church Street and how one can become involved. It includes a complimentary dinner, a full building tour and a time to ask questions. It is a fun and relaxed time to know more about becoming a member of Church Street. If you would like more information, please contact Rev. Rick Isbell, Minister of Discipleship at 521-0266 or risbell@churchstreetumc.org.

Sign Up Now for Four Course Fellowship

It is time to sign up for the Fall Dinner Group. If you have not participated recently, you are missed; if you have never participated, it is a wonderful way to meet fellow church members in a dinner setting. Like our Sunday challenge to “sit and eat,” you will find the time passes all too quickly. Call Kathy Alexander @ 379-5249 or email at kr_alexander@att.net by August 24. Your new group is waiting for you to join them.

Sneak Peek ~ Want to travel to Germany in 2017?

In 2017 the Church Street Choirs (adult & youth) will have the opportunity to travel and perform in Germany as a part of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The trip will be open to a limited number of non-singers from the church and the greater Knoxville arts community. There will be an informational meeting for all singers, parents and any interested guests on Sunday, September 13, at 3 p.m. in Parish Hall. Representatives from Perform International will be on hand to tell us all about the possibilities and answer any questions. All are invited to explore.

Covenant Bible Study Orientation Session

Covenant Bible Study is coming to Church Street. This in-depth Bible study is made up of three 8-week modules covering the entire Bible. It is conversational in nature but will require commitment, weekly study outside of class and a desire to learn how the biblical theme of covenant is a unifying pattern through all the books of the Old and New Testaments.

Each module concentrates on an aspect of the overall covenant theme. Module 1, *Creating*, concentrates on how a biblical covenant is created and established. Module 2, *Living*, centers around applying the covenant to actual relationships in everyday life. Module 3, *Trusting*, tackles how we can trust the covenant in times of loss, suffering or difficult times. Participants will read great portions of the both the Old and New Testaments, view videos of biblical scholars as they discuss the various aspects of the covenant and be in conversation with other biblical students in the class about each week’s lesson. Rev. Rick Isbell, Minister of Discipleship will facilitate each class session.

The orientation and interest session for Covenant will be on Sunday, August 23, at 4 p.m., in CLC 120. There you will see and examine the actual books, see an introductory video, and learn what is entailed in this study and each class session. If you have further questions, contact Rev. Isbell @ risbell@churchstreetumc.org. The class will begin on Sunday, September 20.

Church Street UMC Calendar: August 23–29

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
Community Worship
Thursday, 12:15 pm, Chapel

Sunday School—9:40 AM

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Covenant Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, CLC 120
Women’s Bible Study
Wed., 9 am, rm 201-A
Pastor’s Bible Study
Wed., 7 pm, rm 201-A

Meetings & Ministry

Benevolence Team
Monday, noon, CLC 127
Vision Committee
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, rm 201-A
Adult Council
Wed., 6 pm, rm 202
Stephen Ministry Peer Review
Thursday, 10 am, rm 201-A
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall
Capstone Committee
Thursday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A

Music

Children’s Choirs
Sunday, 5:15, rm 306
Parish Adult Choir
Wed., 7 pm, rm 306
Godspell
Thursday, 7:30 pm, Parish Hall
Friday, 7:30 pm, Parish Hall
Saturday, 2 pm, Parish Hall
Saturday, 7:30 pm, Parish Hall

UMW

Service Circle
Tuesday, 9:30 am, Parish Hall

Singles

Line Dance Lessons
Thursday, 7 pm, Gym

Hunger Helper Market
Sundays
8-11 a.m.
Breezeway

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Bridge
Monday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Yoga
Monday, 7 pm, rm 204
Young Men’s Basketball
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym
Wednesday Lunch
Wed., 12:30 pm, Parish Hall
Men’s Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

Youth

Choir Camp
Sunday, off-site

Lectionary READINGS

August 23
1 Kings 8:22-30, 41-43
Psalm 84
Ephesians 6:10-20
John 6:56-69

August 30
Song of Solomon 2:8-13
Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9
James 1:17-27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Reflections

—Rev. David Graves

Several years ago, I was in a meeting with church leaders, and we were going round and round about a particular matter. Today, I could not tell you what we were discussing and trying to make a decision on. Yet, one thing that has stuck with me since that meeting was someone spoke up and said, “We are not pouring concrete here, we can always come back and change it.” This thought has stuck with me since that time. I have used this quote a lot in my ministry as decision making takes place. What may seem so good today, in time, may not work tomorrow, next week or next year. This has been a freeing thought for me as I give leadership and share in ministry. As we pray, discuss, discern, collaborate and pray some more, the Holy Spirit leads and guides our decision making. However, if we approach life as pouring concrete, it sure makes it hard to make changes. Sometimes, we have to admit what worked yesterday does not work now. Moreover, what seemed like a good decision then is not now. There are times we step back and realize we made a mistake. If we pour concrete in decision making, it sure makes it hard to live life with one another.



This leads me to three thoughts for the days ahead. First, the Church Conference, this past Sunday, August 16, approved by 95% to move forward on the Building Committee’s recommendation concerning phase one of our Master Plan. It was a good meeting with great questions. We have wonderful trusted leaders on our Building Committee. Yet, we all need to remember that we did not approve moving forward on pouring concrete, but to take the next step toward selecting an architect, a contractor or construction manager. At some point more informational meetings will take place along with a Church Conference (all the final details included) that will give permission to pour concrete for the new building and renovations.

Secondly, we have had many discussions about church security this past week, and if you were here Sunday, you probably noticed that we had three Knoxville Police Officers who were assisting us. Many of you were pleased by this action, others concerned that it was over the top, and others were upset by their presence. All of these concerns are valid. Church staff and leadership have been wrestling over them for the last week and began this week with the same discussion. I would just remind all of us, we did not pour concrete this past Sunday around security. We learned a lot, and will continue to have discussions, and make changes along the way. Your input, patience and understanding are most helpful as we move forward. It makes a world of difference when we approach decision making around this thought of not pouring concrete. What seems so right today will change at some point in the future. The only concrete that I want to see poured here is when the foundation of the new building is constructed.

Thirdly, speaking of foundations and pouring concrete, I want to continue to pour spiritual thought into our faith foundation this Sunday as I share around the thought of “A Kairos Moment in a Chronos World.” Our scripture text is from Psalm 84.

I look forward to seeing you Sunday!
In Christ,
David

MISSIONS news

The Missions Committee would like to extend a huge thank you to our congregation for the many, many school supplies donated for children served at Vestal UMC by the Beacon of Hope. Fifty-five packets of supplies (each containing notebooks, pencils, crayons, erasers, hand sanitizer, glue sticks, and Kleenex) were shared with families. Much gratitude was expressed as we were told over and over again: “School supplies are expensive and the list is so long.” We estimated the value of the donated supplies around \$1500 and we want you to know how much your generosity is appreciated.

We thank you for your continued support of our community missions and ask that you keep the children in the Vestal community in your prayers as many of them experience difficulties and obstacles that we cannot begin to imagine. It means a great deal to a child to be able to walk into a classroom with his or her very own supplies. Thank you very much and know that your donations matter.

ONLINE giving

Did you know you can support the programs and ministries of our church by giving online? Log on to www.churchstreetumc.org and click “Give Online” on the home page. You can choose a one-time payment or set up a recurring gift.

Bahamas Mission Trip
March 2016
Interest Meeting
September 13
6 p.m. in room 201-A

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:

UT: Lucy Gibson, Teresa Williams

Home From the Hospital: Dan Armstrong, Sherrie Russell to NHC Cavett Hill, Bob Paulson to Westmoreland

Christian Sympathy to:

Vivian Chance on the death of her sister, Sharon McCoig, on August 11.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	727
Sunday School	400

Our Gifts

Received toward budget	\$45,046.12
Capital Campaign	
Contributions	\$11,941.40
Other	\$2,721.64

Altar Flowers for Sunday, August 23

The Chancel Altar flowers are given in loving memory of A. Orin Bishop and Ethel Bishop by the Bishop Family.

Food Co-Op Needs Donations

Schools are back in session and that means breakfast before kids leave, snacks items to take with them, and quick dinners between after school activities and homework. Beacon of Hope Food Co-Op members will be facing these same circumstances with the added challenge of a limited income. Please consider picking up some of these items the next time you're at the grocery store and place them in the Food Co-Op collection box outside the kitchen: Breakfast items, Juice/Juice Boxes, Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Canned Meals, Snack Items, Flour, Sugar, Cornmeal, Oil, Baking Powder, Baking Soda.

Memorials

In Memory of:

- **Thomas B. Axley, Sr.**
Choir Anthem: Jennifer Axley
- **Frances Bennett**
Music: Jim Boehms
Rejoice: Elizabeth Reagon
- **Dorothy Columber**
Soup Kitchen: Elizabeth Reagon
- **Darnell Morrison**
Choir Anthem: Anne Trent
- **Carrie Belle (CB) Sells**
Rejoice: Elizabeth Reagon
- **Kathi Lee Wilson**
Master Arts Series: Eileen Wilson

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- **Jo Lynn Cunningham**
Capital Campaign: Pat Rule
- **Graduating Class of 2016**
Choir Anthem: Pat Rule
- **Rev. Rick Isbell**
Montgomery Village: Stephanie Smith
- **Ann Warwick & family**
Choir Anthem: Bennett & Evelyn Horton
- **The Youth Choir**
Choir Anthem: George & Lou McNutt

Our Church Family

Baptism:

- **Reed Michael Siler**, son of Paul & Shay Siler, was baptized on Sunday, August 16, at the 11 a.m. service.

Children's Ministry Volunteers

The Children's Ministry is in need of volunteers to help with Children's Worship each Sunday during the 8:30 & 11 a.m. services. If you can help out, please contact Pastor Matt Hampton at mhampton@churchstreetumc.org.

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Teaching Christ,
Offering Christ*

Contact Us

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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	David Graves-260
Associate Pastor	Matt Hampton-279
Associate Pastor	Barbara Clark-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	-282
Child Care Coordinator	Jamie McKinney-290
Youth Director	Jenny Cross-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,
	Jeffery Rose, Stacey Mitchell,
	Jonathan Breedon, Ruth Dalton
Beacon of Hope	Richard Ginn 599-5047



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