

## Worship

### OPPORTUNITIES

#### Sunday, September 20

*17th Sunday after Pentecost*

#### Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11 AM – Nave

Rev. David Graves

“What is the Game Plan?”

Mark 9:30-37 & Colossians 3:1-4

#### Wednesday, September 23

#### Midweek Communion

Noon - Rev. Barbara Clark

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

## Celebrate Christian Education Sunday, Sept. 20

Now is the time to celebrate the ministry of our many Sunday School classes and to invite back all those class members who may have been away for the summer. Now is the time to get back into the routine of coming to Sunday School. Church Street will celebrate Christian Education Sunday in many ways. First, a group picture of every class will be made next Sunday morning. (See your particular class for time and place.) In addition, we will recognize our teachers and leaders during worship. Our third graders will also receive their Bibles during worship. Lastly, we hope you will join us in Parish Hall for a Congregational Brunch. We will begin serving at 10:15 a.m. and continue until after the 11 a.m. service. The cost is \$9/adult and \$3/children (ages 4-12). There is no charge for children ages 3 and under. There is a family maximum of \$25. Reservations are required and may be made by calling 524-3048 or e-mailing [reservations@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:reservations@churchstreetumc.org). Please see the full menu printed below. You may also purchase Mike Weatherly's delicious cinnamon rolls for \$15 for a half dozen by pre-ordering at [mweatherly@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:mweatherly@churchstreetumc.org).

## Menu

Bacon	Mashed Potatoes & Gravy
Spinach Tomato Quiche	Green Beans
French Toast	Muffins
Biscuits & Gravy	Dinner Rolls
Chicken Strips	Chocolate Cake
Mac & Cheese	Strawberry Cake
Pot Roast	Coconut Cream Cake



## Sunday Supper

**4:45–5:45 PM in Parish Hall**

\$7 (12 & up) • \$4 (children)

**Sunday, September 20**

**Reservations Required**

Family maximum \$25.

#### Menu:

Roast Chicken  
Rice Pilaf  
Summer Vegetables  
Fresh Salad  
Cornbread  
Dessert

**Reservations needed by noon  
on Thursday; call 524-3048.**

## Master Arts Organ Recital

Join us for the next Master Arts performance on Monday, September 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the Nave. Jonathan Ryan is the first-prize winner of numerous national and international organ competitions. He has played recitals around the U.S., France, Germany and the United Kingdom. His program will feature a breathtaking piece for the pedals by Leo Sowerby, one of J.S. Bach's transcriptions of a concerto by Antonio Vivaldi and the Passion Symphony by Marcel Dupré. Please join us for this free concert by an outstanding young artist.

## Register Your Child for Hogwarts Holiday

Sign your child up for this one-day fall break adventure for Harry Potter fans that will take place on Monday, October 12. It's suggested for children in first through fifth grades. Building on the Harry Potter stories, children will have a holiday from Hogwarts classes and will visit the holiday village of nearby Hogsmeade where they will experience the fun of the various magical shops through games, crafts, music, and cooking. The cost is \$20 per student to cover lunch, snack, and all supplies. Register online at [www.churchstreetumc.org](http://www.churchstreetumc.org). Volunteers are needed to help make the day a success. If you can lend your magic, e-mail Sue Isbell at [sueisbell2629@gmail.com](mailto:sueisbell2629@gmail.com).

## Advent Devotion Book

The Congregational Care Committee is planning a book of Advent Devotions written by members of our congregation. If you would like to contribute a short devotion (250 words) to be considered for publication, please contact Caroline Lamar at 521-0299 or [clamar@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:clamar@churchstreetumc.org) to receive the writing guidelines. All submissions are due by Monday, October 12.

## Blessing of the Animals

On Sunday, September 27, we will continue the Church Street tradition of Blessing of the Animals. All are invited to bring their pets to this unique service of worship where we thank God for our furry, fuzzy, feathered and/or scaly friends. The service begins at 3 p.m. in the Courtyard and pets receive a blessing by the Church Street clergy. This service is open to the community. Pets should be on a leash or in a cage if appropriate, and should be well-mannered. You will be responsible for cleaning up after your pet should the need arise. We hope you will join us as we celebrate our faithful companions in the tradition of St. Francis of Assisi and his great love for all God's creatures.

## AARP Smart Driving Class

The AARP Smart Driving Course is a classroom refresher course for drivers ages 50 and older, explaining the changes that occur in vision, hearing and reaction time as we age, and provides useful safety tips for handling these changes. The course is taught by Nancy Carmon and will be held at Church Street on Thursday, October 8, and Friday, October 9, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. in room 204.

Cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Please call 865-524-3048 to register for the class. Registration deadline is Wednesday, October 7.

## Sign Up Now for Habitat Build

The Missions Committee invites you to partner with them in participating in a Habitat for Humanity Project this October. You may volunteer by visiting [www.churchstreetumc.org/habitat\\_2015](http://www.churchstreetumc.org/habitat_2015). You can also give online to help us meet our \$5,000 fundraising goal.



## Church Street UMC Calendar: September 20-26

### 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

### Sunday School-9:40 AM

### Personal & Spiritual Growth

Dr. Wender's Bible Study  
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204  
Covenant Bible Study  
Sunday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A  
Women's Bible Study  
Wed., 9 am, rm 201-A  
Pastor's Bible Study  
Wed., 7 pm, rm 201-A

### Singles

Line Dance Lessons  
Thursday, 7 pm, Gym

### Meetings & Ministry

FPU Class  
Sunday, 3:30 pm, rm 202  
Benevolence Team  
Monday, noon, CLC 127  
Caregiver Support Group  
Monday, 3 pm, CLC 120  
Church Council  
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Chapel  
Soup Kitchen  
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall

### Youth

Acolyte Training  
Sunday, 3 pm, Nave  
NightLife  
Sunday, 5:15 pm, Lower CLC  
Wesley House Tutoring  
Tuesday, 3:45 pm, off-site  
Middle School Girls Bible Study  
Wed., 5:30 pm, lower CLC  
Guys Bible Study  
Wed., 5:30 pm, lower CLC  
Youth Band Rehearsal  
Wed., 6:45 pm, CLC 11  
Prayer Breakfast  
Thursday, 7:15 am, Bearden  
Chik-Fil-A

### Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Congregational Brunch  
Sunday, 10:15 am, Parish Hall  
Sunday Supper  
Sunday, 4:55 pm, Parish Hall  
Bridge  
Monday, 6:30 pm, CLC 124  
Yoga  
Monday, 7 pm, rm 204  
Church Council Dinner  
Tuesday, 5:45 pm, Parish Hall  
Young Men's Basketball  
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym  
WNAF  
Wed., 12:30 pm, Parish Hall  
Men's Basketball  
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

### UMW

Sarah's Girls  
Monday, 6:30 pm, off-site  
Service Circle  
Tuesday, 9:30 am, Parish Hall

### Music

Youth Choir  
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 306  
Choristers Choir  
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 306  
Primary Choir  
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 308  
Adult Handbells  
Sunday, 6:15 pm, rm 303  
Master Arts Organ Recital  
Monday, 7:30 pm, Nave  
Parish Adult Choir  
Wed., 7 pm, rm 306

### Lectionary READINGS

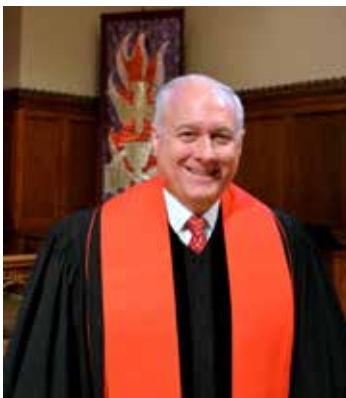
**September 20**  
Proverbs 31:10-31  
Psalm 1  
James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8a  
Mark 9:30-37

**September 27**  
Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22  
Psalm 124  
James 5:13-20  
Mark 9:38-50

## Reflections

—Rev. David Graves

Before we know it, 2016 will be upon us. It will be a year that we elect a new president and many Federal, State and Local elections will be decided. A lot of energy, conversations and time will be spent around these matters. Moreover, it will be a year when the United Methodist General Conference will be held on May 10-20 in Portland, Oregon. There, legislation concerning our polity and doctrine, and how we live into our church life together will be discussed. Perhaps some minor or major changes could take place. 864 Delegates from around the world will come together to worship and do business. It will be a daunting task as folks come from different cultures, multiple languages and diverse theological perspectives. Delegates to the General Conference were elected over the past two years at their Annual Conferences. In our Holston Conference this past June, we elected six clergy and six lay persons as voting members. I was humbled to be selected by my clergy peers as the first clergy delegate elected and then affirmed by the entire Holston Delegation to lead our Delegation to the 2016 General Conference.



In addition to our General Conference, our Holston Annual Conference will be held on June 5-8, 2016 at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina. The last piece of the General Church year takes place on July 19-22 when each Jurisdiction in the United Methodist Church will meet and elect Bishops. The Holston Conference is a part of the Southeastern Jurisdiction consisting of fourteen Annual Conferences. In the Southeast, we will elect 5 new bishops. Our Holston General Conference Delegation is joined by twelve additional delegates, lay and clergy, making a total of twenty-four persons from Holston who will be voting for new Bishops. This past Thursday, September 10, in our Holston Delegation meeting, the Delegation unanimously selected me to be the Bishop nominee from Holston at the 2016 Southeast Jurisdictional Conference.

This news will soon become public knowledge. From last Sunday's message, I am walking down a path as one of the pastors of Church Street United Methodist Church, Leader of the 2016 Holston Delegation to General and Southeast Jurisdictional Conferences, and nominee for Bishop. I am leaning hard into God for direction. For now, all I know to do is be faithful to what is before us as God's people at Church Street. We have much to do in proclaiming Jesus to our community and region. Much prayer is needed for the United Methodist Church as we move toward July 22, 2016. I look forward to worship this Sunday as we explore God's great plan for your life.

In Christ,  
David

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## Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship

Save the date and join us for the next Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship on Wednesday, September 23, at 12:30 p.m. in Parish Hall. Mickayla Eldridge from Friends of Literacy will be our speaker. Friends of Literacy works to support the delivery of free, high-quality literacy and adult education programs for adults in Knox County who are inadequately educated to meet the challenges of daily life. Lunch is \$7 per person. Call 524-3048 to make a reservation.

## CHILDREN'S n e w s

All children ages 4 and 5 (Pre-K and Kindergarten) are invited to participate in Kinder Choir on Sundays at 5:15-6 p.m. beginning Sunday, October 11, in room 212. This choir, led by Shirley Smith, will rehearse through November 29 and sing for the Advent Crafts Festival on Sunday, December 6. Please contact Shirley if your child is interested, 681.2919 or [fcoumts@charter.net](mailto:fcoumts@charter.net).

## PRESCHOOL n e w s

The Preschool is looking for substitute teachers. Some child care experience necessary. Duties include watching children, lifting up to 40 pounds and responding quickly to children's needs. Must have HS diploma, 3 written references, be able to pass a background check and provide current physical. Contact Beth Cooper Libby at [bclibby@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:bclibby@churchstreetumc.org).

## CHURCH d i r e c t o r y

It's time to update our church directory. Online registration is now open so you can schedule your family's portrait time. You can find the link to online scheduling on the church website (News/Upcoming Events) and on Facebook & Twitter. We ask that everyone sign up for a time so you can be included in the new directory. You will receive a free 8x10 and church directory for participating. The photography will take place in room 214 located in the Children's Wing near the main elevator. Photography dates: 9/29, 9/30, 10/1, 10/6, 10/14-17, 10/20-24. We hope you will make time to be a part of the directory!

## 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:

*Parkwest:* Bob Paulson

**Home from the Hospital:** Darrell Alsip, Lou McNutt

#### Christian Sympathy:

To the family of **Betty Olson** on her death on September 9.

To **Jimmy Martin** on the death of his mother, Wanda Young, on September 10.

### Our Presence

Sunday Worship	673
Sunday School	358

### Our Gifts

Received toward budget	\$36,321.04
Capital Campaign Contributions	\$5,221.44
Other	\$6,304.75
Hunger Helper	\$233

## Memorials

*In Memory of:*

### • Lucy Gibson

*Capital Campaign:* Potter's Wheel Class

### Altar Flowers for Sunday, September 20

The Chancel Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Charles & Frances Sterchi by their family.



*In Memoriam*

**Betty Olson**

Joined: 04/18/1943 Died: 09/09/2015

## Contact Us

Church Office (865) 524-3048  
Hours: Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Fax number (865) 521-0288  
Pastor On-Call Number (865) 320-9100  
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](http://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 Breeden, Ruth Dalton
Beacon of Hope	Richard Ginn 599-5047

## Youth Ministry Seeks Volunteers

Youth Ministry here at Church Street is a vibrant and growing ministry. Our focus is to serve the youth and families involved by fostering community, cultivating fellowship, and providing a Gospel-focused Christian education. We are in desperate need of volunteers to serve in this ministry. These opportunities include a variety of ways to participate from weekly teaching to event planning to providing occasional meals and many others! If you would be interested in serving our students from grades 6-12 or learning more about how to be involved with youth ministry, please contact Jenny Cross at [jcross@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:jcross@churchstreetumc.org) or 521-0287.



## Library Training Sessions

The church library received several updates over the summer. The new computerized card catalog is now up and running. If you would like to learn how to use the new software, please stop by on Sundays, September 20 & 27, during the Sunday School hour and someone will assist you.

## Parking Information

Please make sure your vehicles have a Church Street parking sticker. If you do not have a sticker, please stop by the church office on Sundays or during business hours, Monday–Friday. During the week, we ask that you only park in the spots by the dumpster, the Magnolia lot or in Hill Avenue lot. Parking anywhere else may result in a parking ticket from UT, as some of our spaces are leased by the university for student use.



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