

# THE MESSENGER

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### Sunday, January 17

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

### **Worship Times**

8:30 & 11 AM – Nave Rev. David Graves Is God Good or Is God Great? Psalm 36:5-10

## Wednesday, January 20 **Midweek Communion**

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

# Thursday, January 21 **Recovery Downtown**

6 PM - Chapel Rev. Tim Kobler

### **Sunday Supper**

\$7 (12 & up) • \$4 (children)

Sunday, January 17 Reservations Required Family maximum \$25.

#### Menu:

Roast chicken, Rice pilaf, Broccoli Corn bread and Chocolate cake Kids: Chicken nuggets, French fries

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

### **Recovery Downtown Begins Thursday**

We want to invite you to the kick-off of our new service, Recovery Downtown, this Thursday, January 14, at 6 p.m. in the Chapel. This new weekly service will focus on health, healing, and wholeness. Recovery

Downtown will meet weekly, followed by small groups. If you want more information about our small groups please contact Pastor Matt Hampton at 865-521-0279 or at mhampton@churchstreetumc.org.



### Parade to Honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

We invite you to join with other United Methodists on Monday, January 18, to participate in Knoxville's MLK Parade. The purpose of the parade is to offer the community a visual and audible display in tribute to the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The 2016 Parade route will stretch from the Tabernacle Baptist Church on Martin Luther King Avenue to Greater Warner Tabernacle AME Zion Church in Burlington, where they will present their annual Memorial Tribute Service.

The parade begins promptly at 10 a.m., but we encourage participants to arrive early, because parking is limited. We'll gather together behind the UMC banner to line up for the parade. For more information, please see Pastor Barbara.

### **WNAF Features ETVMA Presentation**

On Wednesday, January 27, at 12:30 p.m. in Parish Hall, our Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship program will feature a special presentation by Mr. Nick McCall, vice president of the East Tennessee Veterans Memorial Association. The East TN Veterans Memorial is a public plaza with a formal arrangement of granite pillars bearing the names of 6,222 fallen heroes from 35 east Tennessee counties who died in military service since World War I. It is located on the north end of the World's Fair Park.

We invite you to come and hear what this important organization does on a continual basis to lift up and remember all those who have sacrificed for



this country. This is a continuation of a series of programs on community organizations that have great impact on this region and on individuals. Please be sure to attend and make your lunch reservations by calling the church office, 524-3048 or by e-mailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org.

### **Closing Policy Update**

In the case of inclement weather or emergency, a decision to close the church will be made by 6 a.m. of the day in question. This decision will be made by the Church Administrator and Pastoral Staff in consultation with other groups that may be affected, such as the Kay Center and Preschool. A decision will be made by noon for the afternoon and evening scheduled activities. When the decision is made to close, all activities will be canceled and the building secured. Decisions will be communicated by social and public media, phone and email.

### Who are Stephen Ministers?

- · People who listen with open hearts and closed mouths
- Promise keepers
- Good sounding boards for your ideas
- A shelter during the storms of life
- Prayerful partners
- A strong support for those who suffer
- Reliable and trustworthy
- Companionship in hard times

Stephen Ministers build you up when you feel down. They are there when you need a partner and confidentiality is always assured. Contact Pastor Nicole at 865-521-0298 or nkrewson@churchstreetumc.org to learn more.



# Make Peace With Your Money in 2016

Plan to attend Financial Peace University (FPU) this year. Orientations for FPU will be held at 4 p.m. on Sundays, January 31 and February 7, in room 202. Cost for the 13-week course on how to budget, reduce debt, invest and more is only \$75 for Church Street members and \$125 for non-members. Questions? Contact J.R. Hertwig at 384-7049 or by email at jrhertwig01@yahoo.com or visit the FPU website at: www.daveramsey.com/fpu.

### **UMW Book Review**

Please join us for our next United Methodist Women book club. We will gather in Cox Parlor on Wednesday, January 20, at 1:30 p.m. Pat Bellingrath will review *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson. This is a Social Action book. Everyone is invited and you do not have to read the book prior to the meeting. We hope you will join us!

### Church Street UMC Calendar: January 17-23

Youth Choir

### 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
Wed., noon, Chapel
Recovery Downtown
Thursday, 6 pm, 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

### **Meetings & Ministry**

Building Committee Wed., 5:30 pm, rm 201-A Kay Center Board Wed., 5:30 pm, CLC 122 Soup Kitchen Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall

### Youth

NightLife
Sunday, 5:15 pm, Lower CLC
Wesley House Tutoring
Tuesday, 3:45 pm, Wesley House
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
Resurrection
Friday-Sunday

#### **UMW**

Book Review Wed., 1:30 pm, rm 103 Izzy's Girls Thursday, 7 pm, off-site

### Music

Sunday, 4 pm, rm 306

KinderChoir
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 212
Choristers Choir
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 306
Primary Choir
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 308
Adult Handbells
Sunday, 6:15 pm, rm 303
Parish Adult Choir

Wed., 7 pm, rm 306

### Singles Ministry

FOCUS

Tuesday, 6 pm, CLC 120 Line Dance Lessons Thursday, 7 pm, Gym

### Lectionary READINGS

January 17 Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalm 36:5-10 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 John 2:1-11

### Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Sunday Supper Sunday, 4:45 pm, Parish Hall Young Men's Basketball Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym Wednesday Lunch Wed., 12:30 pm, Parish Hall Men's Basketball Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

Reminder: The church office will be closed on Monday, January 18.

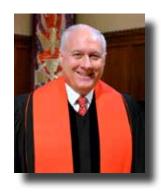
### **January 24**Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm 19 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Luke 4:14-21

### From the Pastor

-Rev. David Graves

Thank you, Church Streeters for your faithfulness in 2015. Through your efforts lives were touched, changed and transformed. We give thanks that, as has been the pattern for many years, our membership continued to increase in 2015. We now stand at 2,650 members. Worship attendance increased by 8% with average weekly worship at 806. \$2.5 million was given toward our Capital Campaign. We are running slightly ahead of projections as we should see some site work for the new building begin in 2016. I give God and you praise



for stepping up and supporting our regular ministry and operating budget. A few weeks ago, I shared with you that we needed \$660,000 to complete our year balanced income to expenses. By your giving and some expenditures not taking place, we ended 2015 with a small surplus balance. This is such a blessing in a Capital Campaign year for a church. Thank you! Thank you!

Behind all these numbers are faith stories that have changed our corner of the world.

As we move through 2016, it is the 200th year of Church Street as a worshipping congregation. Several events will take place throughout the year to honor our past and position us for the future. Many of you have heard me say that Church Street is a great church with a great future. To God be the glory!

This will also be a transformational year for the United Methodist Church. As I write this article, General Conference is only 118 days away (May 10-20). Bishops will be elected at our Jurisdictional Conferences (July 18-23). As I shared on Sunday, this all needs to begin in a posture of prayer.

May you live life not that the cup is half empty or full, but God's love, grace, mercy, and provision is overflowing.

In Christ, David

### Habitat for Humanity House Dedication January 23 - 9:30 a.m.

Please join us as we celebrate the dedication of the Habitat for Humanity house. We are grateful to everyone who volunteered and donated to make the house a reality. The address is 4020 Skyline Drive, Knoxville, TN, 37914. It's located off of E. Magnolia Avenue. We hope to see you there!



### 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.

### DIRECTORY photos

If you have not yet received your free 8x10 portrait for participating in the church directory, please stop by the church office to pick it up.

### SINGLES news

The Singles Ministry invites you to join us for FOCUS on Tuesday, January 19, in CLC 120 for an evening of fellowship and fun as Church Streeter David Craig will share his experiences on the African Safari he and his wife, Betty, took last year. David will bring his experience as an educator to present his adventure with commentary and slides. We will begin at 6 p.m. with a meal from Jason's Deli. Cost of the sandwich, chips and cookie is \$7 and reservations are needed. Call the church office at 524-3048 by noon on Monday to confirm your order. The program will start at 6:30 p.m. (Please note: the program is free and no reservation is needed.)

### THANK you

A special thank you to everyone who donated items for The Spirit Adventure's Angel Tree this year. Every item was bought for the family and they were particularly thankful for having such an outpouring of CSUMC's giving spirit. They said it truly made a difference in their Christmas this year.

### 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: Lily Willard, Shirley Stanberry UT: Juanita Doss

Blount Memorial: Brandon Amburn

#### Home From the Hospital:

LaNoka Rhodes to NHC Cavett Hill, Dan Taylor

#### **Christian Sympathy:**

To Sara Jane Alford Francis on the death of her husband, Joseph G. C. Francis on December 25.

To Diane Crook on the death of her sister, Shirley "Jo" Voight, on December 30. To the family of Cheryl Ranz on her death on December 29.

#### Our Presence

Sunday Worship	753
Sunday School	411

#### Our Gifts (1/3)

Received toward budget \$27,875.19 Capital Campaign Contributions \$8,680.55 Other \$1,275

### **Altar Flowers for** Thursday, January 17

The Chancel Altar flowers are

given in loving memory of Rachel Moncier by Herbert, Adam and Nicholas.



Living Christ, Teaching Christ, Offering Christ

### Our Church Family

Wedding:

Jaclyn "Paige" Ramsey and Bradford Kevin Dove were married at Church Street on Saturday, January 9, with Rev. David Graves officiating.

### Memorials

In Memory of:

Betty Bell

Sterchi Lodge: Bill Ailor, Polly Ailor Tullock

• Frances Bennett

Sterchi Lodge: Bill Ailor, Polly Ailor Tullock

Janette Bingham

Sterchi Lodge: Bill Ailor, Polly Ailor Tullock

• Charlie Coffey

Sterchi Lodge: Polly Ailor Tullock

John Ed Cox

Capital Campaign: Potter's Wheel Music: Baxter & Carlyne Wheatley

Ruth DeFriese

Sterchi Lodge: Bill Ailor, Polly Ailor Tullock Capital Campaign: Bennett & Mary Ellen

Alberta Eargle

Sterchi Lodge: Bill Ailor, Polly Ailor Tullock

• William "Bill" Gardner

Soup Kitchen: Margaret Elam

Roy Godsey

Sterchi Lodge: Bill Ailor, Polly Ailor Tullock

• Jav Hammett, Sr.

Capital Campaign: Larry & Loretta Best

Joan Hess

Sterchi Lodge: Bill Ailor, Polly Ailor Tullock

Sara Kramer

Sterchi Lodge: Bill Ailor, Polly Ailor Tullock

• Rudy Norris

Capital Campaign: Discovery Class

Betty Olson

Sterchi Lodge: Bill Ailor, Polly Ailor Tullock

Grace Parkhill

Sterchi Lodge: Bill Ailor, Polly Ailor Tullock

Chuck Poore

Sterchi Lodge: Polly Ailor Tullock

• Carrie Belle (CB) Sells

Sterchi Lodge: Polly Ailor Tullock

• Frances Thomas

Kay Center: Elizabeth Stiefel

Betty Thompson

Music Ministry: Gene & Sandra Flinter Stephen Ministry: Tom & Ginger Hood Capital Campaign: Larry & Loretta Best
• Shirley Jo Voight

Memorials: Dave & Betty Craig

### Honorariums

In Honor of:

Sarah Burtch

Children's Ministry: Jerry & Jane Gulley

Katryn McKinney

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### 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

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### Staff Directory

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