



Worship

OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, October 7 World Communion Sunday

20th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship with Holy Communion

8:30 & 11 a.m. – Nave
Rev. Chuck Starks
James 5:13–20

Noonday Worship

Wednesdays at 12 p.m. in the Chapel

Oct 3

Rev. Jan Wade

Oct 10

Rev. Jan Wade

Wednesday Fellowship Lunches are served following the service in Room 118. Lunch is \$8 and includes salad and dessert. For lunch reservations, call 524-3048 or email reservations@churchstreetumc.org.

Wesley House will be closed for Fall Break



Wesley House will be closed Monday through Friday, October 8–12. They will reopen the following week and will be happy for volunteers to help from 2:00–6:00 p.m. Mondays through Fridays.

If you or a small group could help during the week or even a portion of a day, please email Sharon, Volunteer Coordinator at sharon@wesleyhouse.com or contact Jenny Cross at jcross@churchstreetumc.org.

Wesley Built Golf Tournament (benefiting Habitat for Humanity) Friday, October 5 at 9 a.m. Shotgun Start

Golf for a cause will take place this Friday at Three Ridges Golf Course (6101 Wise Springs Rd.) All fees and sponsorship donations support Knoxville Habitat for Humanity. For more details, contact John Voss at johnvoss1@gmail.com.

SINGLES EVENTS

Friday Fun Night and Dance

Friday, Oct. 5 at 7 p.m. in the gym. Your \$8 admission (\$5 for students) includes the dance, lesson, soft drinks, snacks, birthday cake and door prizes.

Chili Cook-off

Saturday, Oct. 6 at 4:00 p.m.

Our annual chili cook-off will be Saturday, Oct. 6 at the clubhouse of Northshore Village (1308 Covington Dr. off Morrell Road). We will gather at 4:00 p.m. and dine at 6:00 p.m. Group games will follow. Bring a pot of chili or a desert to share. A prize will be awarded to the best chili and desert (homemade only) as judged by all participants. For those who do not wish to enter the contest we ask for a \$10 donation (pay at the door). RSVP to the church, [524-3048](tel:524-3048), by Friday at noon if you are attending and if you are bringing chili, desert or paying. Host is Lois Smith 865-386-5647.

Stephanie Strutner To Address Opioid Crisis TWO OPPORTUNITIES – ALL INVITED

Sunday, October 7 at 9:40 a.m. in the Gym

The prevalence of the opioid crisis has led our Parish Health Team to explore how we as a congregation should be responding to educate, help prevent, and assist with needs that may exist within our midst. CSUMC member, Stephanie Strutner is the Executive Director of Allies for Substance Abuse Prevention for Anderson County. She has agreed to speak on this important issue at the **Open Doors class on Sunday, October 7 at 9:40 a.m. in the gym.** We hope you will join us!

Tuesday, October 9 at 11 a.m. in the Chapel

Opioids have been widely used to treat pain, but they are highly addictive and there are a number of alternatives. Stephanie Strutner will discuss rates of misuse, opioid dependence, alternative treatment options and much more.

Recently, Stephanie was summoned to a meeting at the White House to give a local perspective on what effective strategies look like when tackling the opioid crisis. The meeting was in the Roosevelt Room of the West Wing with the President, General John Kelly, Kelly Ann Conway, Deputy Director Carroll and several other top-level White House staff.

The United Methodist Women invite all who are interested to come on Tuesday, Oct. 9 at 11 a.m. in the Chapel. The program will be followed by lunch in room 118 at noon. Cost is \$10, and reservations can be made online or by calling the church office at [524-3048](tel:524-3048) by Friday, October 5.

ON A ROLL!

Toilet Paper Drive

Sunday, October 14

The Sharing Shops are once again in need of our #1 requested item: **toilet paper!** Please share with those who visit our shops by bringing lots of wonderful toilet paper on **Sunday, October 14, to the breezeway.** We are able to be in mission because of YOU and we thank you for your compassion and generosity!



Conversations on Race

Save the date:
Sunday, October 14, 2018
3:00–5:00 p.m.
CLC 120

Join us in CLC 120 of the Church Life Center for our next **Conversations on Race workshop.**

Workshop Topic:
Why Black Lives Should Matter to White Christians:
The Theological Legacy of James Cone

Guest Speaker:
Dr. David Kline
UTK Lecturer, Department of Religious Studies

Conversations on Race workshops are open to everyone and you are encouraged to attend. Join in on the conversation!

Have you remembered
Church Street in your will?



An Evening with Bishop Ken Carder

Focusing on Children, Economic Justice, and Poverty
Concord UMC (1020 Roane Drive)

Tuesday, Oct. 16, 6 p.m.

\$25 per person, Dinner Included
To RSVP: call Ryan at [\(865\) 524-5494](tel:8655245494)

Hear from beloved pastor and retired Bishop Ken Carder, as he discusses his commitment to racial and economic justice and ministry with those who live in poverty. Your ticket purchase will provide funding for the Wesley House scholarship program.

Calendar: October 7 – October 13

Worship

Worship
Sunday, 8:30 am, Nave
Sunday, 11 am, Nave
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:30 am, WVLT-TV
Sunday, 2:30 pm, MyVLT
Noonday Worship
Wednesday, 12 pm, Chapel

Sunday School–9:40 AM

Music

Due to Fall Break, Youth and Children's Choir Rehearsals will **not** be held this week.
Adult Choir Rehearsal & Lunch
Sunday, 12:30 pm, CLC 120
Handbell Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 3:30 pm, Nave

Youth

Due to Fall Break, Youth activities will **not** be held this week. We will resume our regular schedule on **Sunday, Oct. 14.**

Meetings & Ministry

Stephen Ministry
Sunday, 1:30 pm, rm 201A
Benevolence Team
Monday, 12 pm, CLC 124
Sharing Shop
Monday, 12 pm, Gym
Board of Trustees
Wednesday, 5:30 pm, rm 201A
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Gym

UMW

Circle #6
Monday, 1:30 pm, Parlor
Circles #4, #7, and #10
Tuesday, 10 am, rm 204
UMW General Meeting
Tuesday, 11 am, Chapel
UMW Lunch (RSVP 524-3048)
Tuesday, 12 pm, rm 118
Circle #8
Tuesday, 1:15 pm, rm 201A
Mary & Martha Circle #11
Wednesday, 7 pm, Parlor

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Disciple Fast Track Prophets Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 201A
Dr. Wender's Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Men of God
Tuesday, 10 am, rm 202
Women's Bible Study
Wed., 9:30 am, rm 201A
Meditation & Prayer Group
Wed., 10:30 am, rm 211
Pastor's Bible Study
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 204

Singles

Bridge
Monday, 6 pm, rm 201C
Yoga Class
Monday, 7 pm, rm 204
Line Dance Lessons
Thursday, 6:30 pm, Gym

Beacon of Hope

Benevolence Team
Tuesday, 12 pm, Vestal UMC
BOH Sharing Shop
Thursday, 12 pm, Vestal UMC

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Young Men's Basketball Group
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym
Fellowship Lunch (RSVP 524-3048)
Wednesday, 12:30 pm, rm 118

Upcoming Events

Trunk-or-Treat
Sunday, October 28
55+ Seasoned Souls Adult Festival
Thursday, November 1, 9 am–lunch
Concord UMC

LECTIONARY READINGS

October 7

Job 1:1, 2:1–10
Psalm 26
Hebrews 1:1–4; 2:5–12
Mark 10:2–16

October 14

Job 23:1–9, 16–17
Psalm 22:1–15
Hebrews 4:12–16
Mark 10:17–31

Advent Devotional

Are you willing to share a reflection for Church Street's Advent Devotional Book? The publication is given to members of the church, homebound members and offered to viewers of *Rejoice!* each holiday season.

Can you offer faith, hope and love this season by writing a short reflection? Each devotion should be at most 250 words and should also include a title, scripture and short prayer (not included in the 250 word count).

Devotions are needed by **Friday, October 26** to **Julia Kelley** at juliakelley5402@comcast.net.



The Ten Commandments: Then & Now

Fall Biblical Lecture Series
Saturday & Sunday, Oct. 27–28

The **Rev. Dr. Brent Strawn** will be returning to Church Street on Oct. 27–28 to help us explore these foundational biblical statements. Dr. Strawn is Professor of Old Testament, Candler School of Theology at Emory University in Atlanta, GA. He is also an ordained Elder in the North Georgia Annual Conference of The UMC.

He will give two lectures on Saturday morning, Oct. 27 and two lectures on Sunday morning and afternoon, Oct. 28. He will also preach at both worship services on Oct. 28. You are invited to come hear this dynamic speaker as he shares what the Ten Commandments meant then and what they mean to us today. These lectures are sponsored and funded through the Education Committee and the church's annual budget.

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR CHURCH STREET?

CLERGY CORNER

Let's Think Together about ... **Count On Me** – Part 2

This past Sunday **Beth Stubbs**, Chair of our Stewardship Team, gave an inspiring talk about her personal journey in Stewardship. We were all blessed.

In Beth's comments she spoke of how **Dr. Asa Bishop** had challenged her many years ago in his talk on personal stewardship. That is how God seems to work a lot of the times. God uses other persons in our lives to nudge us or guide us in ways that will bring honor to God. Those same ways will always be a blessing to us.

Beth also indicated that there was a **basic guiding principle** in her thoughts on stewardship. That principle was to take her church membership

vows to heart. In it we vow to faithfully "participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ."

Beth closed her stewardship thoughts with **her personal pledge** that this church can count on her to continue to live by her vows. That is a strong statement! She said, "**You can count on me.**" And that is the theme of our Stewardship Emphasis this fall.

You can "**Count on Me!**" **Count on me** to help support the missions and ministries of Church Street UMC. **Count on me** to help support our children, youth and adults as we grow together in Jesus Christ.

This past Sunday almost 200 Stewardship Packets were picked up! We received 190 corrected demographic data sheets. THANK YOU! This is so very helpful.

This Sunday the Stewardship Packets will be available again in the Chapel both before and after worship. Please pick up yours and check your information sheet and return it into the designated box the same day. In your Packet you will find:

1. Narrative Budget,
2. Lord, Here I Am to Serve Sheet,
3. Prayer Request Sheet,
4. Ways to Give Sheet,
5. Financial Commitment Card and
6. An Envelope.

Please return your Prayer Request Sheet, Lord, Here I Am to Serve Sheet and your Financial Commitment Card on Commitment Sunday, **October 21**.

When you return these 3 items, then there is no question that you are making a statement. You are saying, "**Count On Me.**"

God Bless You!

—Chuck

+
**COUNT
ON
ME**

my prayers ▪ my presence ▪ my gifts ▪ my service ▪ my witness ▪ **God's glory**

Rick's Pick's for Fall

Rev. Rick Isbell, Minister of Discipleship

From time to time, adult classes or individuals ask me for suggestions for study materials for their class. Some classes use the traditional **Adult Bible Study Series**, which is very good, and other classes use short-term studies. Below are some studies that I can recommend between now and Advent. You can get more details about each study at www.cokesbury.com. Don't forget to look in the library to see if another class has done the study previously. Let me know if you have any questions. Later in October, I will be listing Advent study suggestions.

- **SIMON PETER: Flawed but Faithful Disciple** by Adam Hamilton, NEW. 6 sessions with book, DVD and Leader Guide available.
- **God's Messy Family: Finding Your Place When Life Isn't Perfect** by Jacob Armstrong, NEW. 6 sessions with book, DVD & Leader's Guide. This study takes a look at the lives of Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Rebekah, Jacob & Esau.
- **UNAFRAID: Living with Courage & Hope In Uncertain Times** by Adam Hamilton. 6 sessions with hardback book, DVD & Leader's Guide available.
- **FEAR OF THE OTHER: No Fear in Love** by William Willimon. 5 sessions with book, DVD & Leader Guide available.
- **A Crazy, Holy Grace: The Healing Power of Pain & Memory** by Frederick Buechner. 4 sessions with book, DVD & Leader Guide available.
- **MOSES: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet** by Adam Hamilton. 6 sessions with book, DVD and Leader Guide available.
- **Creed: What Christians Believe & Why** by Adam Hamilton. 6 sessions with book, DVD & Leader Guide available.
- **Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi** by Amy-Jill Levine. 6 sessions with book, DVD & Leader Guide available.
- **Which Way Lord?: Exploring Your Life's Purpose in the Journeys of Paul** by Rob Fuquay. 6 sessions with book, DVD & Leader's Guide available.
- **Making Sense of the Bible: Rediscovering the Power of Scripture Today** by Adam Hamilton. 6 sessions with book, DVD & Leader Guide available.

Sunday Morning Parking

It won't be long until construction is finalized and our parking lots are made available again. **New traffic patterns** will be established that will enable efficient flow for dropping off passengers at the new welcome center entrance. We will provide maps and instructions in the very near future. In the meantime, you can help:

- Please park in designated, lined parking spaces only. Do not park on sidewalks or curbs.
- Only park in handicapped parking spaces if you have a valid placard or license plate issued by the DMV.
- Please leave parking spaces near the church buildings available for our worshipers with accessibility and special needs.
- Ride the cart! The Church Street golf cart runs a regular route on Sunday mornings to help all those who park in the back and lower lots. The cart is for all worshipers and is here to help!

An Appreciation Breakfast for our WOW Greeters and Golf Cart Drivers will be held on Sunday, October 21 from 9:30–10:45 a.m. in the CLC Hallway

We appreciate the dedication and hard work of our greeters and cart drivers. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, come to the breakfast.



The Habitat build is going well! Our volunteers, along with folks from Fountain City UMC and Middlebrook Pike UMC, will be working **two more Saturdays** on the build for Alneshia and her sons. We ask that you continue to lift Alneshia and her family and all the volunteers in your prayers and think about joining us on a remaining Saturday! We made a commitment of \$10,000 to Habitat as a partner church and we need \$3,450 to meet this goal. **Please consider making a donation** if at all possible. Checks should be made out to Church Street UMC and earmarked Habitat Build. Thank you very much!

Add these build dates to your calendar:

October 20, 8:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

October 27, 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Commission on a Way Forward Reconcilers Group presents motion to Church Council

The Church Street Reconcilers, a group advocating for inclusion and welcome for all persons in the United Methodist Church, has presented a motion to Church Council. The motion asks for the Church Council to formally endorse the **One Church Plan** in anticipation of the Called General Conference in February, 2019. The text reads as follows:

"We the Church Council of Church Street United Methodist Church, in regular session on 11-27-18, do hereby request the Clergy and Lay Delegation of The Holston Annual Conference to The Called Session of The General Conference of The United Methodist Church, to be held February 23–26, 2019, to vote in favor of preserving the unity of the church by removing the restrictive language regarding human sexuality found in the 2016 Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church. Further, we request the Delegation to vote in favor of the One Church Model as proposed by the Commission on a Way Forward and endorsed by The United Methodist Council of Bishops."

There are two other models which will be debated at the General Conference. The **Traditional Plan** would reaffirm the current language in the Book of Discipline regarding human sexuality and increase accountability for enforcing current policies across the denomination. It would also permit a "graceful exit" for those congregations who wished to leave the United Methodist Church. The **Connectional Conference Plan** advocates an entirely new structure for the denomination and would create new jurisdictions based on theological approach and/or attitudes towards human sexuality. The **One Church Plan** allows for greater flexibility at the congregational and conference level surrounding questions pertaining to human sexuality.


There are several reasons why the Church Street Reconcilers believe this to be an appropriate and prudent step for our congregational leadership to take at this time. The Council of Bishops has recommended the **One Church Plan** and encouraged congregations to continue our conversations concerning the Church and human sexuality. The plan also places a high value on the current institutional and missional unity of the denomination. Finally, advocacy for the One Church plan does not require a congregation or individual members to state a final choice with regard to the question of Christian teachings and human sexuality; rather, it invites deeper conversation and permits the process of discernment to continue.

The Church Street Reconcilers welcome such opportunities to be in conversation with the broader congregation concerning the motion. We believe Church Street and its members wish to find a way forward for all persons, together, in one United Methodist Church.

How to contact Holston Conference Delegates

If there are persons or groups who want to write to the delegates of our own Holston Conference they may do so by sending an email message to this address: delegation@holston.org

As email is received it is then forwarded on to each member of the Holston Conference delegation.



Seasored Souls
An Event for 55+
in the Tennessee Valley and
Smoky Mountain Districts

**Living with Purpose
and Joy at any Age**

Thursday, November 1, 2018
9:00 a.m. thru Lunch at
Concord UMC
11020 Roane Dr. • Knoxville, TN 37934

Registration brochures are located in the reading racks throughout the church. Cost is \$10 and deadline to register is Thursday, Oct. 26.



Our Prayers

In the hospital

Ft. Sanders: Lily Willard
Tennova Phys. Regional: Herman Sain

Home from the hospital

Jessica Brackett and daughter Avery
Bob Paulson to NHC Cavett Hill
Rick Armbrister

Christian love and sympathy to

Scot Danforth and Rev. Dawn Chesser
on the death of Dawn's mother, Elsie
May "Mazie" Chesser, who died on
Sept. 26, 2018 in Ft. Smith, AR;

Rev. John Ripley and family on the
death of his wife, Mary Jane Ripley,
who died Oct 1, 2018;

Matt and Amber Lougheed on the
death of Matt's father, Les Lougheed,
who died on Oct. 2, 2018;

Tim and Terri Ward on the death of
Tim's aunt, Mary Fuller, who died on
Oct. 1, 2018 in Raleigh, NC.

Our Presence September 30

Sunday School 380
Sunday Worship 822

Our Gifts September 23

Received Toward Budget \$ 31,142.40
Capital Campaign \$8,235.00
Other \$19,049.00

Our Church Family

Births

Congratulations to Jessica and Bentley
Brackett on the birth of their daughter,
Avery Houston Brackett, who was born
on Sept. 25, 2018.

Wedding

Best wishes to

Kaitlin Kazmier and Alex Tweel
who were married on Sept. 30 in
the Nave with Rev. Palmer Cantler
officiating.

IN MEMORIAM

Mary Jane Ripley

Joined: 12/3/2000 Died: 10/1/2018

Altar Flowers

Sunday, October 7

The Chancel and Chapel Altar
arrangements are given
in loving memory of
Margaret Anne and Larry E. Nicholson
by their family.



BUILDING FOR

Christ.

You may make a gift or pledge to the
Building for Christ project today by
contacting Kate Spencer at
kspencer@churchstreetumc.org.



Supporting crossbeams are painstakingly wrapped in beautifully stained oak hardwood.

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.

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Staff Directory

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Minister of Spiritual Enrichment Jan Wade–264
Minister of Discipleship Rick Isbell–266
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Children's Ministry Katryn Bancroft–282
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Youth/College Ministries Jenny Cross–287
Preschool Director Beth Libby: 524-3511
Church Administrator Kate Spencer–268
Bookkeeper Francine Jenne–267
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Ministers' Secretary Emerita Loretta Best–280
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Custodians: Dedra Ellison, Robin Crain,
Kevin Bailey
Beacon of Hope Dona McConnell: 599-5047



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Capital Campaign Update

Total Project: \$8,600,000
Total Received: \$5,926,078

2018 Extended Capital Campaign

Goal: \$2 million
Pledges received: 80 totaling \$1,111,211
Amount needed to avoid debt: \$888,789
(*As of August 31, 2018)