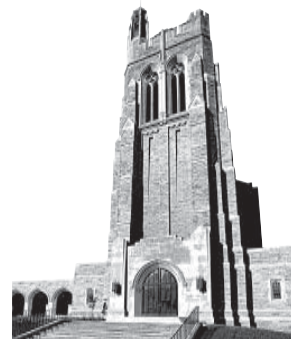


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FOR MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF CHURCH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH • KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE



3rd Sunday after
Epiphany

• **Sunday, January 23**

Worship

8:30 am & 11:00 am
Rev. Andy Ferguson

• **Wednesday, January 26**

Midweek Worship & Communion

12 Noon – Chapel
Rev. Sarah Varnell

• **Thursday, January 27**

Vespers

6 pm – Chapel – Chuck Jones

Community Worship

6:30 pm – CLC 120 – Rev. Darryll Rasnake



Sunday Supper

5:15 to 6 pm • Parish Hall
\$5 (12 & up) • \$3 (for children)

Adult & Children's Menu:
TBA

REMINDER: Reservations needed.
Please call 524-3048
by noon Friday.

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“Living Downtown Today” is WNAF topic

Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship invites you!

On **January 26, 12:30 pm** in *Parish Hall*, our Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship (WNAF) program will look at living in downtown Knoxville with special guest speaker, Alan Carmichael. Alan is President of Moxley Carmichael. He and his wife, Cynthia Moxley, moved downtown within the last year and their business has been downtown since 1992. Cynthia writes *The Blue Streak* blog that highlights their life and activities happening downtown. Alan is heavily involved in Knoxville community affairs. He is a graduate of the 2000 class of Leadership Knoxville. He has more than 30 years of experience in areas such as communications strategy and planning, government relations, media and community relations, public involvement and marketing and advertising. NOTE: Church Streeters who live downtown will also be a part of the program.

Please make lunch reservations by calling the church office, 524-3048, no later than Monday, Jan. 24.

Dr. Jerry Askew to speak at Leadership Celebration

All chairs & committee members are invited to Jan. 23 event

Our **2011 Leadership Celebration** will be held in Parish Hall at 12:15 pm on **Sunday, Jan. 23**. Along with remarks from Rev. Andy Ferguson and the opportunity for committees to conduct orientation meetings, the Keynote speaker will be Dr. Jerry W. Askew, speaking on “Leadership Lessons from Benedict, Bonhoffer and a Brother on His Death.”

Dr. Askew is Senior Vice President for External Affairs for Mercy Health Partners. Prior to joining Mercy in 2001, he served as President and CEO of the East Tennessee Foundation. His career in

Knoxville began in 1985 when he was appointed Dean of Students at U.T. He went on to serve as Associate Vice Chancellor for Development and Alumni Affairs while holding faculty appointments in the Leadership Studies and University Honors departments.

Jerry has been extremely active since his arrival in Knoxville, serving on the boards of over 30 different non-profit organizations at local, state and national levels. As an active member of St. John's Cathedral, Jerry serves as a lay minister in the Cathedral's healing ministry.

Snow Policy Reminders

• **Sunday morning worship & Sunday School will ALWAYS be held.**

–A change in Sunday evening activities may be announced Sunday morning.

• **Weekdays – If Knox County schools close:**

–ALL activities and meetings at the church are cancelled (with the exception of Thursday's Soup Kitchen). The Kay Senior Care Center & Child Day Care Center will close. Church offices *may* open later in the day.

• **Weekdays – If Knox County Schools open 1 hour late:**

–Kay Senior Care Center & Child Day Care Center will open 1 hour late. (Child Day Care will serve breakfast.)



AARP Driver Safety Course coming Feb. 21-22

This program is a classroom driver refresher course for drivers aged 50 and older. The course explains the changes that occur in vision, hearing and reaction time as we age and provides useful safety tips for handling these changes.

The course will be held at Church Street from 12:30 to 4:30 pm on **Feb. 21-22**. More details coming soon.

Holston Home Fifth Sunday Offering coming Jan. 30

Take-Home Weight Watchers Soups available from Food Services

Church Street's Food Services is offering take-home soup during these cold winter months. Soups include Italian Wedding Soup, Creamy Potato Soup and Spinach Florentine Soup. Cost is \$7 per quart. Contact Susie Varrone at 521-0273.

"Food for Thought" from Food Services: If it comes from a plant, eat it! If it was made in a plant, don't.



What is Stephen Ministry?

Stephen Ministry is a system through which members of Church Street are trained and organized to help provide Christian caregiving to members of our congregation and community. This will multiply the amount of caring ministry Church Street can provide by giving us a whole team of skilled caregivers who are equipped to bring Christ's healing love to people who are grieving, in crisis, or experiencing other stressors in life. For more details about Stephen Ministry, please contact a member of our clergy staff.

Faith & Film Series continues

Sundays - begins January 23 - 3 pm - CLC 123

The free screenings begin on Sunday, January 23, at 3 pm. This winter's theme is *Decisions of Conscience*. Weekly movie titles will be listed in the *Messenger* calendar for the particular week. Below is the complete list:

- January 23 *Friendly Persuasion* (1956-Approved)
- January 30 *The Five Pennies* (1959-Approved)
- February 6 *Missing* (1982-PG)
- February 13 ... *Finding Forrester* (2000-PG/13)
- February 20 ... *Runaway Jury* (2003-PG/13)
- February 27 ... *Valkyrie* (2008-PG/13)
- March 6 *Toy Story 3* (2010-G)
- March 13 *Quo Vadis* (1951-Approved)
- Nov. 7 *The Story of Ruth* (1960-No rating)
- Nov. 14 *Becket* (1964-Approved)
- Nov. 21 *The Mission* (1985-PG)
- Nov. 28 *Shoes of the Fisherman* ... (1968-G)

Have You Served God Today?

Muslim/Christian Dialogue to meet

The next Muslim/Christian Dialogue meeting will be held on Thursday, January 27, at 5 pm at the U.T. Student Center. (Note: new location.) The special guest speaker will be Bart Ehrman. Interested Church Streeters are cordially invited to attend.

CHURCH STREET UMC CALENDAR: JANUARY 23-29

WORSHIP

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am
Rejoice!
Sunday, 8:30am (WVLT-TV)
Sunday, 10am (WVLT2)
Midweek Communion Service
Wed., 12 noon, Chapel
Vespers
Thursday, 6 pm, Chapel
Community Worship
Thursday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Sunday School • 9:40 A.M.

MUSIC

Youth Choir Practice
Sunday, 4 pm, Choir Room
Primary Choir (1st & 2nd grades)
Sunday, 5:45 pm, rm 301
Chorister Choir (3rd-5th grades)
Sunday, 5:45 pm, Choir Room
Adult Handbell Practice
Sunday 6:45 pm, rm 308
Adult Choir Practice
Wednesday, 7 pm, Choir Room

LEISURE ACTIVITIES & FELLOWSHIP

Sunday Supper
Sunday, 5:15 to 6 pm, Parish Hall
Bridge: Mon., 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Yoga: Mon. & Thurs., 7 pm, rm 306
Swing Dance Lessons
Mon., 7 pm, Beginning, Gym
Mon., 7 pm, Intermediate, CLC 11
Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship
Wednesday, 12:30 pm, Parish Hall
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym
Line Dance Lessons
Thurs., 7 pm, Gym

YOUTH

Nightlife Volunteers Mtg
Sunday, 4:15 pm, CLC 14
Nightlife: Sunday, 5:45 pm, CLC
Girls' Basketball Practice
Sunday, 7 pm, Gym
Thursday, 6 pm, Gym
Youth Band Practice
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, CLC 15

PERSONAL & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Faith & Films (Jones)
Sunday, 3 pm, CLC 123
New Testament Letters (Wender)
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Christian Believer (R. Isbell)
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 202
Financial Peace University (FPU)
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 118
CPR/AED Training
Monday, 7 pm, rm 204
Women's Bible Study
Wednesday, 9:30 am, rm 202
Disciple II Bible Study (Jones)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 118
Pastor's Bible Study
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 204

CHILDREN

Children's Gym Time
Sunday, 4 pm, Gym
God's Gang (1st & 2nd grades)
Sunday, 4:45 pm, rm 213
Twizzlers (3rd - 5th grades)
Sunday, 4:45 pm, rm 214

MEETINGS

Leadership Celebration
Sunday, 12:15 pm, Parish Hall
Benevolence Team
Monday, 1 pm, rm 118
Church Council Dinner & Meeting
Dinner - Tues. - 5:45 pm - Parish Hall
Meeting - Tues., 6:30 pm - Parish Hall
Muslim/Christian Dialogue
Thursday, 5 pm, offsite

UMW

Service Circle
Tuesday, 9 am, Parish Hall

SINGLES

Divorce Care/Rebuilding Introductions
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 103
Thursday Nights Together, 6:30 pm
Dinner & Program, Parish Hall
Friday Games Night
Friday, 6:30 pm, Gym & CLC 124

Pastor's Bible Study:
See Lectionary Listings on back page for Sundays, Jan. 30 & Feb. 7.

Faith & Film:
Friendly Persuasion (1956-Approved)



Reflections...on "Learning Where Jesus Taught"

— Sue Isbell, Children's Ministry Director

On January 11 Rick and I left Knoxville to lead our fifth study tour to Israel. This time we will have taken fourteen Church Streeters and friends with us and we invite your continued prayers for our journey. Once we arrive we will join several other groups to become the Orange Bus (no, we didn't get to choose the color, but we like it). For ten days this busload of pilgrims will explore many of the places they have only read and studied about for most of their lives.

We call our travelers pilgrims and not tourists. There is a difference: A tourist can travel and sight-see, gain knowledge of new places, and come home with great souvenirs and amazing pictures. A pilgrim can do all those things too, but when he returns home his life has been touched and changed on a spiritual level as well. Visiting Israel is definitely a life changing pilgrimage.

On our first trip I fell in love with the Sea of Galilee. My favorite place there is a tiny church that recalls the "breakfast on the beach" story from John 21. Standing by the water I could clearly see Jesus standing by the charcoal fire encouraging the weary fishermen to come to shore. And in a nearby garden asking Peter, "Do you love me?" Sitting on a rock on the Mount of the Beatitudes it just made sense that so many people came to hear Jesus teach and feed them. And

sailing across the Sea of Galilee we actually experienced one of those sudden storms you read about in the Gospels!

Standing in the shepherds' fields overlooking Bethlehem you can clearly imagine the song of the angels the night



Jesus was born, just as standing on the Mount of Olives and seeing

Jerusalem for the first time rivets into your mind Jesus' entry into the Holy City on Palm Sunday.

Descending the steep steps into the prisoner's pit at the House of Caiaphas chills and sobers

you as you picture Jesus imprisoned there in the darkness and entering the Garden Tomb does just the opposite as it overwhelms you with the powerful joy of Easter morning. Day after day, moment after moment during these ten days this Holy Land pilgrimage makes the Bible come alive and, in turn, makes one's discipleship grow stronger.

People always ask why we keep going back. For me it is simple and complicated. Each time I return to Israel I feel strangely that I am going home to a place I've never lived, but I know my religious roots are there. That is the complicated part. The simple explanation is that Rick and I are Christian educators. We have spent our lives helping students of all ages discover their faith, and what better classroom to have than the place where Jesus himself taught!

Congregational Brunch/Lunch coming Sunday, Feb. 6



Reservations are required by Feb. 4

The November Brunch/Lunch was such a great success with Church Streeters talking about it for weeks! Now it's time for another one! **Our next Brunch/Lunch will be held in Parish Hall on Sunday, Feb. 6.**

Persons may enjoy this special meal, prepared and hosted by our Food Services staff, anytime from 11 am (following Sunday School) until 1 pm (following the 2nd service).

All items are offered for one price: \$10 (youth & adults); \$5 (children ages 3-11).

More details coming next week.

NOTE: Reservations are required and can be made by calling the church office at 524-3048 no later than Feb. 4.



TWO Valentine Dinners will be held on Wed., Feb. 9 and Thurs., Feb. 10. Stay tuned

for more details!

CSUMC: "A beacon...Living Christ, Teaching Christ, Offering Christ"

News & Needs

CHILDREN'S NEWS

• All elementary children are invited to our Sunday afternoon fellowship groups at 4:45 pm. **God's Gang** (1st & 2nd graders) meets in room 213 while **Twizzlers** (3rd-thru-5th graders) meet in room 214.

YOUTH NEWS

• **Hey Youth!** The girls' basketball team has a game on Thursday evening at 7 pm at Concord UMC. We love cheerleaders!

• Please join us for regular scheduled Nightlife this Sunday evening. Snack supper will be downstairs at 5:15 pm, \$5.

COLLEGE LIFE NEWS

• **College Students:** To be added to the email distribution for the online *Word on the Street*, our way of sharing CollegeLife news, please contact John Shearer at jcshearer2@comcast.net.

SINGLES NEWS

• **Donations for "The Cart"** (which benefit Volunteer Ministry Center) continue with Liquid Soap for January. The Cart is located outside Parish Hall.

• Call Chuck Jones (521-0298) or pick up a copy of **SingleVision** from the literature racks for a complete listing of opportunities/reservation details.

WEB NEWS

www.churchstreetumc.org

• **Listen to and watch REJOICE!**, streamed on our website at www.churchstreetumc.org/stream.php.

• **Join us on FACEBOOK!** Just go to www.facebook.com and search for "Church Street United Methodist Church."

MUSIC NEWS

All Choir Rehearsals are back on regular schedule

(see calendar for times)



Now would be a good time to join a choir!

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Stewardship

We will be loyal to The United Methodist Church and support it with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.

Our Prayers

Home from hospital:

Sylvia Davis

Christian Sympathy to:

Chuck Poore and family in the recent death of his sister, Sallye Joann Armstrong.

Lu Fillers and family in the death of her father, Jancer Bailey, on Jan. 14.

Our Presence

Worship (including weekday)	811
Sunday School	440

Our Gifts

Operating Budget	\$36,299
Human Relations Offering	\$245
Other Designations	\$1,414

Our Church Family

New Arrivals



• **Braxton Edward Bryant and Brody Edwin Bryant** were born to Kimberly and Dan Bryant on Dec. 16.

Altar Flowers for Sunday, Jan. 23

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Rachel Moncier by Herbert, Adam, and Nicholas.

Memorials

in memory of

• **Dr. James (Jim) Hung**
Soup Kitchen: Jane & George Dominick, Mary & Bob Carmichael, Gene & Sandra Flinter, Ching-Wen & Chi-En Lee, Louise & Alan Thorndike, Li Zhua Gan & Min Wei Chen, Pao-Siu Tseng Hu, Mercedes & Haofan Hsu, Wayne & Sylvia Davis, Bill & Pat McClure

Honoraria

in honor of

• **Benevolence Team**
Benevolence Emergency Fund: Gene & Sandra Flinter
 • **Rachel Cochran**
Rejoice! TV Ministry: Her nieces & nephews (Vonda, Philip, Gretchen, Paul & Andrea)

Lectionary Readings



• January 30

Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15

1 Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12

• February 6

Isaiah 58:1-91; Psalm 112:1-10

1 Corinthians 2:1-12; Matthew 5:13-20

Congratulations!

Vincent Lee Terry graduated from U.T. in December with a major in Psychology and minor in History. **Congrats, Vince!**

STAFF (521-0 + ext.)

Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson-236-0951
Associate Pastor	Darryll Rasnake-279
Associate Pastor	Sarah Varnell-263
Special Needs Pastor	Cabel Trent-264
Minister of Program	Rick Isbell-266
Director of Music Ministries	Tim Ward-276
Music Associate/Organist	Edie Johnson-277
Children's Director	Sue Isbell-282
ChildCare Coordinator	Jamie McKinney-290
Youth Director/Trav. Missions	Marc Gamble-287
Singles Ministry Director	Chuck Jones-298
Communications Director	Teresa Williams-299
Child Day Care Director	Beth Libby-524-3511
Kay Center Director	Judith Winters-293
Kay Center	Kay Center Staff-289
Church Administrator	Charlotte LaFevor-268
Bookkeeper	Francine Jenne-267
Food Services	Susie Varrone-273
Administrative Assistant	Kelly Woods-262
Ministers' Secretary Emerita	Loretta Best-280
Executive Secretary	Doris Lively-271
Secretary	Julie Hill -278
Receptionist	Brenda Flenniken-270
Sterchi Lodge Caretaker	Essie Burgin
Building Superintendent	Walt Sands-295
Custodians	-274
	Kevin Compton, Laurie Grooms, Tim Montgomery, Matt Newberry

MAIN OFFICE HOURS

8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Church Office: (865) 524-3048

FAX: 521-0261

Pastor-on-Call Number: 236-1518

For emergencies, Call the number and the Pastor-on-Call will answer, or you may leave a message and the pastor will return your call.



Church Street UMC (at Henley & Main) is 80 years old!

We are approaching the 80th anniversary of the first worship service in what was then the "new" church on Henley Street, January 25, 1931.

The service consisted of prayers, a scripture reading, special music, and "charges" to various persons (senior officials, the junior board, Sunday school officers and teachers, etc.). The congregation participated in the "reassumption" of their church vows. Apparently there was no sermon on that day and only one hymn was sung, just before the benediction; its title was not specified. The final anthem by the 12-member choir was, appropriately, "Behold Thy Temple." There were no pews, just chairs for the congregation. There was no stained glass or any of the ornamentation we take for granted. It was claimed that 1,000 people attended the service. The pastor was Dr. C. C. Grimes, though his name does not appear in the program.
 (Thanks to Allison Ensor for these historial details.)

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 the Web



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