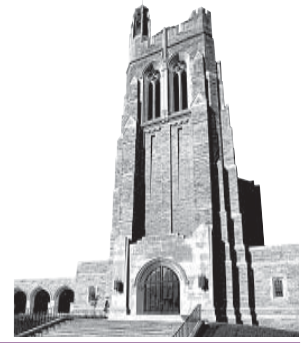


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FOR MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF CHURCH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH • KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE



8th Sunday of
Easter

• **Sunday, June 12**

Worship

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

The Youth choir will sing its tour music in both worship services.

• **Wednesday, June 15 & 22**

Midweek Worship & Communion

12 Noon – Chapel
Colleen Bookter, Duke Divinity Intern

• **Thursday, June 16 & 23**

Vespers

6 pm – Chapel
Chuck Jones

Community Worship

6:30 pm – CLC 120
Rev. Darryll Rasnake



9th Sunday of
Easter

• **Sunday, June 19**

Worship

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

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Holston Annual Conference to be held June 12-15 at Lake Junaluska, N.C.



On Sunday evening, June 12, clergy, members, friends and guests, representing more than 900 churches of the Holston Annual Conference will gather by the shores of beautiful Lake Junaluska, North Carolina, to begin a three and one-half day meeting. Following the theme, *Christ for the World*, and led by Bishop James E. Swanson, Sr., these United Methodists from east Tennessee, southwest Virginia, and north Georgia will be involved in worship, preaching, Holy Communion, presentations and business decisions.

Even though Church Street UMC will be well-represented with our clergy, lay leaders, lay members, additional representatives, and others, all Church Streeters are invited to attend conference sessions and worship services. The opening session begins in Stuart Auditorium at 7 pm on Sunday with worship led by Bishop Swanson and will include the ordination and commissioning service.

Please keep this important gathering in your thoughts and prayers.

Note: Conference sessions will be video-streamed at AC.Holston.org. Daily newspapers will be placed online each morning on the home page at Holston.org.

Join the Father's Day Honor Roll!

Honor or memorialize the special fathers in your life with a donation to Church Street's Kay Senior Care Center. These donations fund scholarships to help aging adults and their caregivers who need financial assistance for the daily fee to attend the center.

Committee members will be in the Chapel hallway before and after Sunday School on Sunday, June 12, to receive your contributions. Contributions may also be mailed or delivered to the church office to the attention of Judith Winters, Kay Center Director.

Take me out to the ballgame on June 18

Make payment NOW for reservations

Church Streeters are invited to an evening picnic and baseball game at the Smokies' ballpark on **Saturday, June 18**. What great fun this would be for your family, friends, Sunday school class or other group!

Sponsored by the Adult Council, cost is \$20 per person which includes a full picnic supper (hotdogs, hamburgers and

all the fixin's) and reserved seats for the game on the third base side.

A limited number of reservations are available! To reserve your place for this summer outing, please pay the full amount to the church office **no later than Sunday, June 12**. Specific details will be sent to those signing up.



Two-week Messenger is here!

As previously reported, the *Messenger* will not be produced next week. **Note:** The calendar, on page 2 of THIS edition, covers the two-week period, **June 12 through June 25**. The next *Messenger* edition will be produced on **June 21**.



Clean the Nave Day Saturday, June 11

Our next **CLEAN THE NAVE** Day will be this **Saturday, June 11, from 8 am to 12 noon.**

No special skills needed; just a desire to make our church a more beautiful place. Join us for some of the time or all of the time. Our tasks for the day include wood cleaning and minor repairs.

Want to go to Mt. LeConte?

The annual hike to (and overnight stay on) Mt. LeConte will be held **August 19-20.** Coordinated and led by Jonathan and Lisa Cooper, the hike includes hiking up to Mt. LeConte on Friday, spending the night in one of the lodges, and coming back down on Saturday. The cost is \$116/person which includes overnight lodging and two meals.

Church Street members have priority through August 1. With only a limited number of reservations available, full payment to the church office reserves your spot. A pre-hike information meeting to be held this summer is mandatory. Note: No refunds if you cancel and we cannot find a replacement.

We need member military addresses

The Congregational Care Committee is planning to send July 4th greetings to our members serving in the military. Note: Current addresses are needed of those serving here in the states as well as abroad.



Please send current military addresses to the church to the attention of the Congregational Care Committee or Rick Isbell, risbell@churchstreetumc.org. Thank you in advance for updating the information.

Join us for the first annual Church Street Food Tour of Market Square!

2:15 to 4:30 pm - Sunday, July 24

Join other Church Streeters and hear the history of some of Knoxville's most notable districts, sample food and drink (non-alcoholic) from 6 to 10 locally owned restaurants and meet the people who bring this unique culinary scene together. Generous food samples will be provided at each stop as well as time for interaction with restaurant owners or managers.

Cost is \$30 per person. To confirm your participation, please make full payment to the church office for "Knoxville Food Tours" no later than Sunday, July 17. This tour is limited to 12 persons. Note: Additional dates will be added as needed. More details in next week's *Messenger*.



Congratulations to our College/ University Graduates

We extend our best wishes to the following persons who have recently graduated from college with a variety of degrees and areas of study.

- **Brooke Batchelor**...*Univ. of Cincinnati Conservatory of Music*
Masters of Music
- **Briton Collins** ...*University of Tennessee College of Law*
Doctor of Jurisprudence
- **Emily Sterchi**...*University of Tennessee*
Bachelor of Arts in Spanish with a minor in Economics
- **Winston Sullivan**...*Maryville College*
Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance
- **Carrie Thatcher**...*University of Tennessee*
Masters Degree in Special Education
- **Joshua Williams**...*University of Tennessee*
PhD in Psychology

CHURCH STREET UMC CALENDAR: JUNE 12-25

WORSHIP

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
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.

Hunger Helper Market

Sundays • Breezeway
9 a.m. until sold out

Pastor's Bible Study:
See Lectionary Listings on insert
page for Sundays, June 19 & 26.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES & FELLOWSHIP

Bridge: Mon., 6:30pm, CLC 120
Yoga: Mon. 7 pm, rm 306
Swing Dance Lessons
Mon., 7 pm, Beginning, Gym
Mon., 7 pm, Intermediate, CLC 11
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30pm, Gym
Line Dance Lessons
Thursday, 7 pm, Gym

CHILDREN (VBS)

VBS Kick-Off [June 11]
Sunday, 10 am, Parish Hall
VBS Week [June 12-15]
Mon. - Thurs. /9 am to 12 noon
VBS Celebration Program [June 15]
Thurs., 5:30 pm, Parish Hall

PERSONAL & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Revelation Bible Study
Monday, 6:30 pm, room 204
W.H.O. (Widowed Helping Others)
Wed., 5:30 pm, CLC 122 [June 15]
Disciple II Bible Study (Jones)
Wednesday, 7 pm, CLC 123
Pastor's Bible Study
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 204

SINGLES

Thursday Nights Together, 6:30pm
Dinner & Program, Parish Hall
Friday Games Night
Friday, 6:30pm, Gym & CLC

MEETINGS [June 12-18]

Stephen Ministry Supervisory Group
Sunday, 12:15 pm, rm 118
Stephen Ministry Team Meeting
Sunday, 2:30 pm, rm 119
Benevolence Team
Monday, 12 noon, rm 118
Staff-Parish Relations Committee
Thursday, 5:30 pm, rm 202
Muslim/Christian Dialogue Group
Thursday, 7 pm, rm 118

[June 19-25]

Benevolence Team
Monday, 12 noon, rm 118
Finance Committee
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 204



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**For June/July/August
Circle Meetings:**
If you have questions about
whether your circle is meeting, please
check with your circle chair.

**Holston Annual Conference
June 12-15
Lake Junaluska, N.C.**



The Top Ten Things you need to know about

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Church Street United Methodist Church - June 2011

1. When is VBS this year?

Our VBS will be held at Church Street from 9 am to 12 noon, **June 20-23**.

2. Who can attend?

Children who were 3 years of age this past January 1st through those completing fifth grade are cordially invited.

3. What is this year's theme & daily topics?

This year's theme is *PandaMania: Where God is Wild About You!*

- **Monday:** *God made you!*
The story of creation.
- **Tuesday:** *God listens to you!*
The story of Elijah & the prophets of Baal.
- **Wednesday:** *God watches over you!*
The story of Jonah.
- **Thursday:** *God loves you, no matter what!*
The story of the Resurrection.

4. How do I register my child?

To register, go to www.churchstreetumc.org and select **VBS registration** under the drop-down menu, Contact Us.

5. Is there a fee for attending VBS?

No. VBS is funded through the annual Children's Ministry budget.

6. Will the clergy be participating again this year?

Yes, our pastors will participate as storytellers each day.

7. What about the VBS music?

Join us for lots of FUN music, led again by Pastor Darryll!

8. What about the new Kick-Off event?

This year we will kick-off VBS in Parish Hall on Sunday morning, June 19, beginning at 10 am during the Sunday School hour.

9. Will there be a closing program?

Yes, VBS will end with a dinner and a program featuring our VBS children on Thursday evening, June 23.

10. Can I still volunteer to help?

Absolutely! To volunteer, contact Sue Isbell at 521-0282 or sisbell@churchstreetumc.org.

You can still register for summer camp! Wesley Woods camping catalogs available

The 2011 summer camping catalogs from Wesley Woods Camp are now available in the children and youth areas.

If your child has never experienced our closest United Methodist camp in Townsend, TN, now is the time. Details regarding all camps for children and youth (1st grade through high school) are described in the attractive color catalog.

There is a camp for you...with day camps, weekly camps, half-week camps, canoe camps, pioneer homestead camps, horseback camps, fly fishing camps, rock climbing/rappelling camps, kayaking camps and much more.

Check out all the fun this summer in the camping catalog or go online www.campwesleywoods.com.

SAVE the DATE

for an evening like no other!



Saturday, Sept. 24

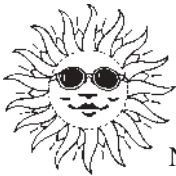
Church Life Center

A Noteworthy Soirée

including dinner, auctions & a ta-dah performance to enhance our fine tradition of excellence in music

For more information, check out...

<https://sites.google.com/site/csumcnoteworthysoiree/>



Final WNAF of the summer enjoys Library visit!

Join us on Wednesday, June 29

The final Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship (WNAF) program will be held on June 29, at 12:30 pm in Parish Hall. Whether you read on the beach or in a rocking chair in the mountains, from a Kindle or a Nook, our June program will highlight good books for the summer.

Janet Drumheller, Reference Services Manager at Knoxville's Lawson McGhee Library, will share what's new at the library including e-books, summer reading for adults, and homebound book program. She will also share how to access full text information resources from a home or office computer. Prior to her current position, Janet was the manager of the library branch in Farragut.

Be sure to come and learn more about "what's new at the library" for the summer.

Lunch reservations are due to the church office by Monday, June 27.

Special Summer Sunday School class offered in July

All adult classes and Individuals Invited!

The Education Committee has planned another summer elective Sunday School class for adults in Parish Hall during July. Instead of one teacher and topic this year, the committee has planned for a variety of topics and leaders. Individuals or entire classes can choose to come on any of the five Sundays in July. Below are the projected dates, leaders and topics. Each class will begin promptly at 9:45 am.

- **July 3:** Rick & Sue Isbell will share sights and sounds from their recent trip to Israel with other Church Streeters.
- **July 10 & 17:** Rabbi Beth Schwartz from Temple Beth-El will present "Family Stories from the Old Testament" (part 1 and part 2).
- **July 24 & 31:** Andy Ferguson will share issues facing the 2012 General Conference that can change the face of United Methodism.

Young Sunday School Classes Need Teachers for Fall

Why are teachers for our younger children so important?

As summer gets into full swing, it is time to recruit teachers for our younger children's Sunday school classes for next year. Teachers for these classes begin the end of August and teach for a full year.

Why are teachers for our younger children so important? Church Street has a comprehensive plan for Christian education of children with Sunday school being the cornerstone of our Children's Ministry. Through our age-appropriate classes we give children of all ages a solid foundation of the Bible and a beginning understanding of discipleship.

As children grow, their lessons become more involved. When they reach sixth grade they move into Confirmation Class where they participate in more in-depth study as they choose to make their own decision to become disciples of Jesus Christ. From there they become active in our youth ministry and branch out into opportunities of service and fellowship. **The path for children begins in our youngest classes where simple lessons help them learn about God's love, Jesus' life, and that church is a great place to be. It is these precious children who need your leadership now.**

Teaching preschool Sunday school does not require a degree in Bible; we have creative curriculum and as much help available as you need to be successful. A minimum of three teachers is needed for the Two-year-old class and for the combined Three & Four-year-old class. With three or four teachers on each team teachers have the flexibility of rotating responsibilities each month, leaving time to return to his/her adult class or to allow for weeks that they might need to be away.

Please prayerfully consider the opportunity to influence young lives through one year of teaching. Contact Sue Isbell at 521-0282 or sisbell@churchstreetumc.org for more details or to volunteer.

Lectionary Readings



• June 19

Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 8
2 Corinthians 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20

• June 26

Genesis 22:1-14; Psalm 13
Romans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42

• July 3

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49; Psalm 72
Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

DISASTER RELIEF...Your continued support is needed

Our hearts ache and our prayers continue for all the victims of the violent storms that have ripped apart so many of our Holston Conference communities and indeed across the nation.

At this time, financial support is most needed. To contribute through UMCOR to "US Spring Storms," please write your check to "Church Street UMC" and mark your donation for Advance #3021326. To contribute to disaster relief specifically within the Holston Conference, mark your donation for Advance #143.

Have You Listened To God Today?

Prayer requests are always invited

Blue cards found in the pew racks are available for your prayer requests. Placed in the offering plates, these will be lifted at the altar during worship and throughout the week by the clergy staff.

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.



Reflections...on Annual Conference

—Andy Ferguson, senior pastor

One of the great United Methodist traditions gets underway this coming Sunday, June 12. The Holston Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church will be called to order on Sunday. This is part business, part revival, lots of worship, all rolled together with a family reunion.

The major order of business this year is the election of clergy and lay delegates to General and Jurisdictional Conferences. The General Conference will meet in May, 2012; the Jurisdictional Conference will meet in July, 2012. Unlike previous election years, the conversation about the issues before the General Conference has not yet begun. The issues that stir United Methodist passions can be found in the resolutions presented to this annual conference session. Often the issues that bring the greatest change are not clearly seen until much later.

In order to allow newly ordained clergy to vote on the first ballot, the annual conference opens with the Service of Ordination. Usually, the new clergy have to wait until Monday; by then several votes have already gone past.

The final order of business at annual conference is the “fixing” of the pastoral appointments. Almost all changes have been projected by now, and pastors have had the opportunity to visit their new churches.



The fixing of the appointments makes these changes effective. By the way, I’m pleased to say that all of our appointed pastors will be appointed to Church Street again for the coming year: Sarah Varnell, Darryll Rasnake, Rick Isbell, and me. Cabel Trent, being retired from the annual conference, is no longer appointed; still he will continue to serve as Special Needs Pastor.

During annual conference, the pastors can be reached in the usual ways: the church office can always find us; we will be taking our usual turns as Pastor On-call (236-1518). Colleen Booker, our Pastoral Intern, will be visiting the hospitals through the week.

So, be in prayer for the annual conference session. There are important decisions to make. There are new beginnings to accept. There we will listen for the voice and leading of God.

Planning for the Future of our Youth Ministry!



PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE

We value the youth of our church and are committed to continuing a sustainable youth ministry that is going to have a deep impact in the future. That’s why we are developing a game plan together and YOU CAN BE A PART!

We have wonderful youth, supportive parents, and committed adult volunteers – yet sometimes it helps to have fresh eyes look at the program to help us move forward. Youth Ministry Architects (YMA) have been invited to visit us August 19-21, 2011. (You can learn more about them at www.ymarchitects.com.)

YMA will spend the majority of their time listening to a variety of groups within the church through focused listening groups. We hope to see participation of parents, volunteers, youth and people who just love our youth. We want your insights, your frustrations and your dreams to be heard.

After spending 2 days in these listening groups, the YMA team will hunker down to write a report, sharing with us what they’ve heard about the youth programs – including assets, challenges, and how we compare to youth ministries around the country – and where it seems that God might be taking us next.

On August 21, the report will be presented to the congregation in CLC 15 laying out specific recommendations and a blueprint for how to move forward.

To be part of this process and have your voice heard, please contact Marc Gamble at 521-0287 or mgamble@churchstreetumc.org.

News & Needs

CHILDREN’S NEWS

• In **Spirit Adventure** we’ll be talking about sibling rivals this week as our Joseph study continues.

YOUTH NEWS

• **Hey Youth!** VBS is coming up soon! Be sure and let Sue Isbell know if you would like to help.

COLLEGE LIFE NEWS

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

SINGLES NEWS

• **Donations for “The Cart”** (which benefit Volunteer Ministry Center) continue with Microwave Popcorn as the item for June. 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

• The Parish Youth Choir will sing selections from their Chicago Choir Tour at both worship services on **Sunday, June 12**.

• **A Noteworthy Soirée** – Sept. 24

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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: Ann Sturdivant
U.T.: Nancy Johnson, Nancy Dennis

Christian Sympathy to:

Steve Walling and family in the death of his father, James F. Walling, on May 25.

the family of Ruth Mays upon her death on June 1.

Patsy Woods and family in the death of her mother, Betty A. Wilson, on June 3.

Al Williams and family in the death of his mother, Jean C. Williams, on June 5.

Our Presence

Worship (including weekday)	645
Sunday School	367

Our Gifts

Operating Budget	\$55,313
Hunger Helper	\$191
Capstone Endowment	\$50
Other Designations	\$5,215

Our Church Family

New Members - June 5

- **Scott and Tina Sloan** joined: Scott by Reaffirmation of Faith; Tina by transfer from Canton UMC, Canton, NC. Their daughter, **Macon**, is added to the constituency roll.

Altar Flowers for Sunday, June 12

- **The Chancel Altar Flowers** are given in celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary of Dawn and John von Weisenstein.
- **The Narthex Flowers** are in honor of the June 10th wedding of Amanda Renee Thacker and Patrick Edward Beeler.

Memorials

in memory of

- **L.A. Browning**
Memorial Fund: Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Googe
- **Arthur Garrett, Jr.**
Memorial Fund: David & Betty Craig, C. B. Sells, Mary Moore, Ouida Lowry; *Tornado Relief:* Hugh & Janice Hixson; *Rejoice! TV Ministry:* Ann & Wilbur Warwick
- **Jim Hung**
Soup Kitchen: John & Patsy Ellis
- **Rhea Lawson**
Soup Kitchen: Bob & Mary Carmichael, Ann & Wilbur Warwick, Bill & Sandra Roberts
- **Omar Ruiz**
Music Ministry: David & Betty Craig
- **Curtis Shelton**
Rejoice! TV Ministry: Ann & Wilbur Warwick
- **Harold Shuler**
Holston Home: Anonymous
- **Mary Jane Thigpen**
Memorial Fund: C. B. Sells
- **Dr. Lucian Trent**
Altar Guild: Ann & Wilbur Warwick, Bill & Sandra Roberts, David & Betty Craig, Mike & Mary Crawford; *Memorial Fund:* Lillie Wallace, Holly Watts, Dr. & Mrs. James Acker, Sue Gray Walker, Mary Moore, Vicky Gardner, Bob & Margie Parrott, Starr (Carter), Braxton & Wesley Kinchen, Dr. & Mrs. William Stallworth, Dr. & Mrs. Walter Beahm, Caroline Hill, Robert & Margaret Hill, Dott A. Baker, Ouida Lowry, Jeanette Carlson, Martin Carlson; *Rejoice! TV Ministry:* Dr. & Mrs. George Zirkle; *Holston Home:* Hugh & Janice Hixson; *Sterchi Lodge:* Pat Morton & Family
- **James Walling**
Rejoice! TV Ministry: Ann & Wilbur Warwick

Honoraria

in honor of

- **Ruth DeFries**
Capstone Endowment: Jane & George Dominick
- **Dr. Charles & Hollins Wender**
Music Ministry: Frances Bennett
- **Singles Ministry**
Singles Ministry: Wes Sunderman, Linda Price, Ludwin Speir

In Memoriam Ruth Word Mays

Joined: 04-08-1928 Died: 06-01-2011

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
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Church Administrator	Charlotte LaFevor-268
Bookkeeper	Francine Jenne-267
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
	Laurie Grooms, Melissa Ledbetter, Tim Montgomery, Matt Newberry, Anita O'dell

MAIN OFFICE HOURS
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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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.

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