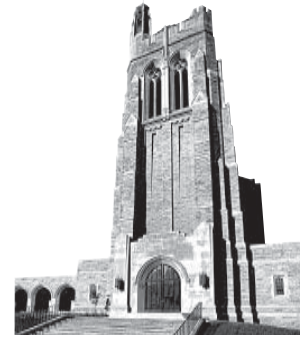


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FOR MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF CHURCH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH • KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE



23rd Sunday
after Pentecost

• Sunday, November 20

Worship

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

• Monday, November 21

Community Worship's Thanksgiving

6 pm – Chapel – Rev. Darryll Rasnake
Community Worship Hospitality Hosts
Nov. 21: Crossroads
Nov. 28: Parables

• Wednesday, November 23

Midweek Worship & Communion

12 Noon – Chapel – Rev. Sarah Varnell



Lectionary Readings

• November 27

Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19
1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37

• December 4

Isaiah 64:1-11; Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13
2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8

2012 Pledged Contributions to date:

**333 pledges totaling
\$1,523,822**

*I will be loyal to The United Methodist Church
and support it with my prayers, presence,
gifts, service and witness.*

**Please bring or send your pledge
card to the church this week!**

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Advent Noonday Services begin November 30



Join us for this time of renewal during Advent, as we follow the theme: *A Season Pregnant with Promise: A time that is perplexing and fearful, but also filled with great hope and joy.* Recitals featuring local musicians begin at 11:40 am in the Nave on Advent Wednesdays, Nov. 30, Dec. 7 and 14.

Worship will follow at noon and will include a brief homily and Holy Communion.

• **Nov. 30** – *God's power and presence in the world. God is called to account to be God with us. What does it mean to know that we are expecting?*

Rev. Sarah Varnell...Isaiah 64:1-9...Recital Music: Dustin Lin, Piano

• **Dec. 7** – *God's deliverance and comfort for the world. God will deliver God's people. How will relationships change when Christ comes?*

Rev. Andy Ferguson...Isaiah 40:1-11...Recital Music: Karns High School Concert Choir

• **Dec. 14** – *God's healing, restoration and transformation of the world. God is good news for God's people. What does the future hold for us?*

Rev. Darryll Rasnake...Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11...Recital Music: Eujun Choi, Organ

Following each service, join us in Parish Hall for lunch (\$6.50). Please call 524-3048 to make lunch reservations.

Advent devotional booklets are now available

In Anticipation...Advent 2011 created by Church Streeters

The season of Advent begins on Sunday, Nov. 27. Church Street's Congregational Care Committee invites you to pick up this year's Advent Devotional Booklet from literature racks, the new Welcome Center, and other areas around the church and from the church office.

New this year, the devotions for each day (from the 1st Sunday of Advent through Christmas Day) were written by

Church Street members...and as a special treat, check out the wonderful Christmas-related pictures in the booklet drawn by many of our children. Note: We received more pictures than we could ever use, and we appreciate every one of them.

*Thanks to all Church Street
adults & children who helped
in the creation of the booklet.*

Dr. Jim Fleming presents "Jesus the Good Shepherd"

- Sunday, Nov. 20: 9:40 am, 4 pm & 6 pm
- Monday, Nov. 21: 10 am* & 7 pm

This lecture series, sponsored by the Education Committee, is free to participants; However, **reservations are needed for Sunday Supper and can be made by calling the church office at 524-3048.**

*Please note: A time for coffee & fellowship on Monday begins at 9:30 am with the session following at 10 am. The time printed in the postcard mailed to members was incorrect.



Volunteers needed for the Advent Crafts Festival...to be held Sunday, Nov. 27



Plans continue for the annual Advent Crafts Festival. This year's event will be held on **Sunday, Nov. 27, from 5:30 to 7 pm** in Parish Hall.

Persons are needed to assist at various craft tables; help with set-up and clean-up; and furnish **LOTS of fresh greenery and pinecones** on Sunday, Nov. 27.

To volunteer, please contact Beth Cooper-Libby via phone at 524-3511 or email at bcl@churchstreetumc.org.

If you are new to the church, the Advent Crafts Festival is our traditional kick-off to the holiday season where we gather in Parish Hall to create holiday crafts and enjoy music from the Kinder Choir and our Preschool children. Every one is also asked to bring a plate of holiday finger food to share.

Have You Served God Today?

Fantasia 2000 to be viewed at Faith & Film

The final film of the fall series, *Fantasia 2000*, will be viewed on **Sunday, Nov. 20**, at 2:30 pm (note: new time) in the Kay Center (CLC 123). Everyone is welcome.



Walk Through BETHLEHEM

Our 15th annual WTB will be held on Sunday, Dec. 18, from 1 to 6 pm.

MANY volunteers are needed! To help, please sign-up on the "needs" board in the 2nd floor hallway or contact Sue Isbell at 521-0282 or sisbell@churchstreetumc.org.

SERRV Market continues on Nov. 20 & 27

It's time to visit the **SERRV Market** in Parish Hall on Sundays, **Nov. 20 & 27**. Enjoy and purchase a wide variety of unique gifts/crafts created by persons from Africa, Asia and Latin America. The market will be open for business from 8:45 am to 1 pm and from 4:30 to 7 pm. Note: The market will be closed during the Sunday School hour from 9:40 am to 10:40 am.

CHURCH COUNCIL & CHARGE CONFERENCE Tuesday, Nov. 29 - 6:30 pm - Chapel

Be a part of The Christmas Pageant

The Christmas Pageant, formerly Community Christmas, will be held on **Sunday, Dec. 11**, from 5 to 6:30 pm. We'll begin in Parish Hall with a light meal and then progress to the Nave for a unique Christmas pageant where everyone can participate.

How do I volunteer? On Sunday, Nov. 20, each adult Sunday School class will receive sign-up sheets for the needed tasks. **Note: Please return the signup sheets to the church office by Sunday, Dec. 4.** Sign-up sheets will be available on the large bulletin board outside the main office. You may also contact Sue Piper at 690-5188 or spiper1072@aol.com.

Needs announced for Madrigal Dinners

- Artificial Christmas trees (all sizes & shapes) are needed to decorate Parish Hall for the Madrigal Dinners in early December.
- Table Servers are needed (high school age or older), working from 5:30 to 8:30 pm on the particular day (Dec. 3, 4, or 5).

To donate a tree or to help as a table server, please contact Tim Ward at 521-0276 or tward@churchstreetumc.org.

CHURCH STREET UMC CALENDAR: NOVEMBER 20-26

WORSHIP

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice!
Sunday, 8:30am(WVLT-TV)
Sunday, 10am(WVLT2)
Community Worship
Thanksgiving Message/Meal
Monday, 6 pm, Parish Hall
Midweek Communion Service
Wed., 12 noon, Chapel
Sunday School • 9:40 A.M.

MUSIC

Adult Choir Practice
Sunday, 1 pm, rm 306
Primary Choir (1st & 2nd grades)
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 308
Chorister Choir (3rd-5th grades)
Sunday, 4 pm, Choir Room
Adult Handbell Choir
Sunday, 6:50 pm, rm 304

LEISURE ACTIVITIES & FELLOWSHIP

Sunday Supper
Sunday, 5:15 to 6pm, Parish Hall
Bridge: Mon., 6:30pm, CLC 120
Yoga: Mon. & Thurs., 7 pm, rm 204
Swing Dance Lessons
Mon., 7 pm, Beginning, Gym
Mon., 7 pm, Intermediate, CLC 11
Wednesday Lunch
Wednesday, 12:30pm, Parish Hall
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30pm, Gym

Faith & Film:

Fantasia 2000 (1999 G)

PERSONAL & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Fleming Lecture Series - Parish Hall
Sunday, 9:40 am, 4 pm, 6 pm
Monday, 10 am, 7 pm
Faith & Films
Sunday, 2:30 pm, CLC 123
CollegeLife Bible Study
Sunday, 6 pm, CLC 124
Men's Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 103
Women's *Beth Moore* study
Wednesday, 9:30 am, rm 202
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 204

MEETINGS

Benevolence Team
Monday, 12 noon, rm 118

UMW

Service Circle
Tuesday, 9:30 am, Parish Hall

Pastor's Bible Study

See Lectionary Listings on back page for Sundays, Nov. 27 & Dec. 4

SINGLES

Thanksgiving Love Basket Delivery
Sunday, Gym



CHURCH CLOSED

Thursday & Friday, Nov. 24 & 25



Volunteers are needed to help deliver Thanksgiving Love Baskets on Sunday, Nov. 20.

Contact Darryll Rasnake at 521-0279 for details.

New Welcome Center opens in Church Life Center Nov. 20

This fall, through the combined efforts of the Evangelism, Properties and Communications Committees and the special effort of Church Streeter, Chad Young, a long-term wish for a *Welcome & Information Center* has become a reality.

Placed in the Church Life Center hallway near the breezeway entrance, this will be a place where visitors and members can visit and receive information about the many ministries of Church Street and even get directions for a particular room.

Beginning Sunday, Nov. 20, and other special times throughout the year, it will be staffed by lay persons who can share information about ministries of our church. Again, thanks to everyone who helped make this happen!

Volunteers needed for Community Worship celebration Nov. 21

Volunteers are needed to help greet our guests and serve the meal. Please plan to arrive at Parish Hall a little before 6 pm. You may contact Diane Richards for more details (573-4399 or dirich@comcast.net).

Kay Center selling knives & gift cards

Rada Knives and Food City/Kroger Gift Cards will be on sale in the breezeway on **Sunday, Nov. 20**. Money raised is used for Kay Center activities. Questions? Call Judith Winters, 521-0293.

It's time for Spiritual Life Advance, AKA-SLA

Fifty Church Street youth and adults will be taking part in our annual fall retreat this weekend at Camp Lookout, one of our conference camps. The retreat theme is "Under the Surface." The group will take a deeper look at the earliest Christians found in Acts 2. Don Washburn, Camp Lookout's director, will be retreat leader. For some fun, on Saturday afternoon, Cloudland Canyon State Park will be the destination. Please keep this group in your prayers as they travel, study, and fellowship together.

Four-Course Fellowship Sign-Ups coming Dec. 4, 11 & 18 (Stay tuned for more details coming soon!)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Financial Peace University (FPU) begins in January 2012

Orientations will be held at 12:15 pm on Sundays, Jan. 22 and 29...with the series beginning on Feb. 5.

FPU is a 13-week program on personal finance designed to empower people to manage their money better, eliminate debt and build wealth. Cost for the 13 weeks is \$75 for Church Street members and \$100 for non-members.

Questions? Contact J.R. Hertwig at (865) 384-7049 or jrhertwig01@yahoo.com.

Join us for Sunday Supper!



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

November 20

Adult/Youth/Children: Turkey, Dressing, Gravy, Veggies, etc.

Reservations needed
by noon on Thursdays.
Call 524-3048.

November 27

Advent Crafts Festival
All adults and youth should bring
holiday snacks/goodies to share!

News & Needs

Children's News

• Please remember No Open Gym, God's Gang or Twizzlers on Sunday, Nov. 20. However, Children's choirs will meet at 4 pm.

Youth News

• **Hey youth:** Nightlife will not meet due to our Spiritual Life Retreat at Camp Lookout.

CollegeLife News

Attention College Students: Join us for our final Sunday night Bible Study for 2011. Supper is at 5:15 pm in Parish Hall with the study, led by Monty & Elizabeth Walton, at 6 pm in CLC 124.

Singles News

• Our Thanksgiving Love Baskets will be dedicated and our volunteers commissioned at both the 8:30 and 11:00 worship services on Sunday, Nov. 20. Thanks to all who have participated in this project.

• **Note:** The Friday Fun Night Dance for December will be held on **Friday, Dec. 9 instead of Dec. 2**. The theme is "Christmas Formal."

Web News

www.churchstreetumc.org

• To read *The Messenger* online, go to the *News & Events* category and select *Newsletters*. *The Messenger* is usually online by Wednesday afternoons.

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



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

Music News

Webb School Chamber Choir
presents "A Holiday Madrigal Feast"
Dec. 3, 4, & 5

6:15 pm in Parish Hall

Contact Webb School of Knoxville for
ticket information by Nov. 28.

Domestic Violence Helpline
(865) 521-6336

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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

In the hospital:

Ft. Sanders - Patricia Neal Ctr: Nancy Roth

Home from hospital:

Nancy Dennis, Randall Scott

Christian Sympathy to:

Mabel Pih and family in the death of her husband, Hui Pih, on Nov. 11.

Our Presence

Worship (including weekday worship) 837
Sunday School 516

Our Gifts

Operating Budget \$40,939
Other Designations \$46,081

Our Church Family

New Members - Sunday, Nov. 13

- **Zac and Abigail Jumper** joined by transfer from Pulaski Heights UMC, Little Rock, AR.
- **Christopher Lambert** joined by transfer from First Farragut UMC.
- **John and Margaret Rodgers and son, Sean**, joined by transfer: John from Spring Street Baptist; Margaret and Sean from First Baptist, Concord.

New Arrival



• **Brooks Taylor Grissom** was born on Nov. 11 to Kimera Ann Grissom McReynolds. Grandparents are Chris and Tammy McReynolds. Great-grandparents are Judy and Dick Grissom.

Altar Flowers for Sunday, Nov. 20

Flowers on the Chancel altar, on the Chapel altar and in the Narthex are given in loving memory of Joe R. Shepherd by Claire Shepherd and Susan and Louie Kramer.

Memorials

in memory of

- **Brodie Baynes**
Sound System: Elizabeth Reagon
- **Grace Baynes**
Soup Kitchen: Anonymous
- **Rachel Cochran**
Rejoice! TV Ministry: UMW Circle #4, Jim & Lyla Boehms, Ann & Tom Callcott; Memorial Fund: Lou & George McNutt
- **Marjorie Lloyd**
United Methodist Women: Verna McLain, Janice & Hugh Hixson, David Cronshaw, Colleagues from Westin Engineering Inc.
- **Carroll (Curly) Eugene Parsons**
Kay Center: C. B. Sells; Rejoice! TV Ministry: Sue Cox
- **Alvin Sain**
Memorial Fund: Joanie & Willard Sitton; Hymnal Fund: Friends in Christ Sunday School Class
- **Charles Sterchi, Jr.**
Rejoice! TV Ministry: Sue Cox
- **Brad Thompson, Sr.**
Music Ministry: Jean Murdock
- **Ralph Vola**
Rejoice! TV Ministry: Dorothy Vola

Honoraria

in honor of

- **Music Ministry**
Master Arts Series: Jean Hannan
- **Mary Cartwright**
Thanksgiving Love Baskets: Barbara Shipley
- **Jean Hannan**
Master Arts Series: Barbara Williams
- **Chuck Jones**
Thanksgiving Love Baskets: Parker Tabor
- **Dawn von Weisenstein**
Thanksgiving Love Baskets: Barbara Shipley
- **Rev. Jan Buxton Wade**
Parish Hall Renovations: The Reagan Family
- **Janice McCoy Williams**
Stephen Ministries: Verna McLain

In Memoriam

Hui Pih

Joined: 10-09-1966 Died: 11-11-2011

Sacrament of Christian Baptism

- **Holt Coleman Jumper**, the son of Zac and Abigail Jumper, was baptized on Nov. 13.

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 Discipleship	Rick Isbell-266
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Music Associate/Organist	Edie Johnson-277
Children's Director	Sue Isbell-282
ChildCare Coordinator	Jamie McKinney-290
Youth Director/Trav. Mission	Marc Gamble-287
Communications Director	Teresa Williams-299
Child Day Care Director	Beth Libby-524-3511
Kay Center Director	Judith Winters-293
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Church Administrator	Charlotte LaFavor-268
Food Services	Bobby Tolley-273
Bookkeeper	Francine Jenne-267
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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

Brandon Amburn, Tim Montgomery,
Matt Newberry, Mike Plyler, Anita O'Dell

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.

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