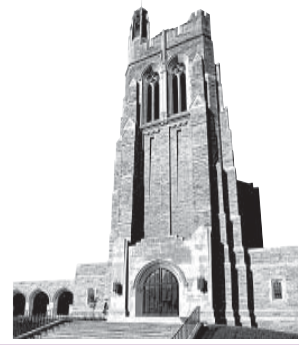


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Congregational Brunch on Feb. 12

Reservations due on Wednesday, Feb. 8

By popular demand, our congregation brunch lunch is returning on Sunday, Feb. 12, 10:45 am till 1 pm. You are sure to enjoy the variety of breakfast and lunch foods available on the buffet. There will be two seatings: one at 10:45 am and another at 12 noon. **Reservations for one of the seatings must be made** by calling (524-3048) or emailing dlively@churchstreetumc.org and bfenniken@churchstreetumc.org at the church office **no later than Wednesday, Feb. 8**. You can pay at the door. Prices for the buffet are \$12 adult/youth; \$6 children under 11. Some of the menu items included, but not limited to, will be: waffles with maple syrup, sausage and bacon, blueberry bread pudding, Monterrey chicken, sliced roast beef in gravy, jeweled rice pilaf, Chef's choices of vegetables, fresh fruits, assorted desserts and much more!



Bishop Lecture Series comes in February

We are pleased to announce Dr. Ben Witherington will be our guest lecturer this year. Dr. Witherington, professor of New Testament Interpretation at Asbury Theological Seminary, is a prolific author and sought-after speaker. Some of his books include: *The Jesus Quest: The Third Search for the Jew of Nazareth* (1995), *The Gospel Code: Novel Claims About Jesus, Mary Magdalene and Da Vinci* (2004), *The Problem With Evangelical Theory: Testing the Exegetical Foundations of Calvinism, Dispensationalism, and Wesleyanism* (2005), and *The New Testament Story* (2004). He was featured in the BBC and PBS special entitled *The Story of Jesus*.



Because of his experience in having led numerous study-tours throughout the lands of the Bible, Dr. Witherington is known for bringing the text to life through his incisive historical and cultural analysis. Save the date: Saturday and Sunday, February 25–26, and join us for a Series that will open your eyes in new ways to the Word of God and engage you to read it anew with a deeper understanding.

Soup-er Bowl Sunday is February 5th

This Sunday, volunteers will be standing near the exits after each worship service holding soup kettles to collect money to support the Benevolence Ministry at Church Street UMC. Your generosity enables our Benevolence volunteers to offer assistance to many individuals and families in our community in need of food, transportation, help with utility bills and more. For further information about the Benevolence Ministry at Church Street, contact Rev. Darryll Rasnake. Thank you in advance for your generosity in giving to this worthwhile and important ministry.



 Communion Sunday
5th Sunday after
the Epiphany

• Sunday, February 5

Worship

8:30 am & 11:00 am – Nave
Rev. Darryll Rasnake

• Monday, February 6

Community Worship

All are welcome – join us for worship!
Community Worship Hospitality Hosts
Feb. 6: Followers
Feb. 13: Youth Group

• Wednesday, February 8

Midweek Worship & Communion

12 Noon – Chapel – Rev. Sarah Varnell

*Have You Talked
To God Today?*

Sunday Supper

5:15 to 6 pm • Parish Hall

\$6.50 (12 & up) • \$4 (children)

February 5

BBQ Chicken'

Kids meal: Chicken Nuggets w/ BBQ sauce

February 12

Assorted pizzas, tossed green salad,
dessert and beverages

**Reservations needed
by noon on Thursdays;
call 524-3048.**

Travel to the Holy Land in 2013

Interest/Information Meetings: Feb. 12 & 13

Rick and Sue Isbell are planning a trip to the Holy Land in 2013 if enough persons are interested. The Isbell's have hosted 5 previous trips to the Holy Land and have taken over 60 persons from Church Street UMC on these trips. **There will be two interest/informational meetings on Feb. 12 & 13, at 7 pm in room 201-A.** You can choose which one fits your schedule best. You do not need to attend both.

Brochures about the trip including costs, itinerary, registration, tour company, etc. will be shared at the meeting. This is only an interest and informational meeting and you will not be asked to make a commitment at this time. Registration, deposit, and departure date will come later.

CPR Training & Certification Class

Class on Tuesday, Feb. 21st; Register by Feb. 16

Training will cover adult, child and infant CPR as well as AED (Automated External Defibrillator) training. **The class will be held on Tuesday, February 21, at 6:00 pm in CLC 120.** Sign up for the class by calling the church office (deadline to register is February 16). Cost is \$20 per person and is due at the class. Contact John Hollingsworth, 806-4477, for more information.

UM Men's Day with the Bishop

Saturday, March 10

All United Methodist Men and Boy Scouts are invited to the annual UMM Day with the Bishop at Concord UMC on Saturday, March 10. Cost is \$25 per person (Scouts are asked to bring a canned good as their registration fee.) More info can be found at: www.holston.org/events.

Titanic Trip: Don't Miss the Boat

Titanic Trip: March 10; Register by Feb. 28

The Adult Council is sponsoring a group trip to visit the Titanic in Pigeon Forge on **Sat., March 10.** We will leave the church parking lot at 9 am and will spend a couple of hours "aboard the Titanic" followed by lunch together at a nearby restaurant. Tickets will be priced as below per person for admission and tour, plus an additional amount for lunch. The church van will be available; carpooling is also an option.

The tour is self-guided and designed to give everyone the sensation of being on the original voyage 100 years ago. Your full payment reserves your place on the trip. **Registration deadline is Feb. 28.** Ticket prices are as follows—Adults: \$22; 9th–12th graders: \$20; and K–8th graders: \$13. For more information or questions, contact Larry Myrick, 525-8087, who is hosting the trip.



Impacting Ministry 2012

In keeping with the Call to Action, the Knoxville District presents the annual Impacting Ministry event for all church leaders. Since no church is the same, attendees will enjoy the non-traditional format where they are encouraged to ask specific questions related to their unique ministry settings. Insight and ideas, as well as encouragement and inspiration will be gained during various workshop sessions. All committee team members and other church leaders are encouraged to attend. Impacting Ministry will be held on Sunday, February 12, from 1:30–4:00 pm at Middlebrook Pike UMC. Cost is \$5 per person. Pre-registration deadline is Feb. 6. Forms are located in the church office and at the Welcome Center.

CHURCH STREET UMC CALENDAR: FEBRUARY 5 - 11

WORSHIP

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice!
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)
Sunday, 10 am (WVLT2)
Community Worship
Monday, 6:00 pm, Chapel
(meal follows in Parish Hall)
Midweek Communion Service
Wed., 12 noon, Chapel
Sunday School • 9:40 A.M.

MUSIC

Youth Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, 4:00 pm, Choir Room
Kinder Choir (4 & 5 year olds)
Sunday, 5:45 pm, rm 214
Chorister Choir (3rd–5th grades)
Sunday, 5:45 pm, Choir Room
Primary Choir
Sunday, 5:45 pm, rm 308
Adult Handbell Choir
Sunday, 6:50 pm, rm 304
Adult Choir Practice
Wednesday, 7 pm, Choir Room

Faith & Film:
The Buddy Holly Story
(1978–PG)

LEISURE ACTIVITIES & FELLOWSHIP

Sunday Supper
Sunday, 5:15 pm, Parish Hall
Yoga Class
Mon. & Thurs., 7 pm, rm 204
Wednesday Fellowship Lunch
Wed., 12:30 pm, Parish Hall
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym
Line & Couples Dance Lessons
Thursday, 7 pm, Gym

CHILDREN

Drama Troupe (3rd–5th grades)
Sunday, 3 pm, Gathering Place
God's Gang (1st–2nd grades)
Sunday, 4:45 pm, rm 213
Twizzlers (3rd–5th grades)
Sunday, 4:45 pm, rm 214

YOUTH

Nightlife
Sunday, 5:45 pm, lower CLC
Youth Basketball
Sunday, 7:00 pm, Gym

PERSONAL & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Faith & Films
Sunday, 2 pm, CLC 123
Study of Book of Isaiah (Wender)
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Disciple IV (R. Isbell)
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 202
Men's Bible Study
Sunday, 6 pm, rm 103
Women's Morning Bible Study
Wednesday, 9 am, rm 202
Wednesday Book Study (Rasnake)
Wednesday, 10 am, rm 201-A
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A

UMW

#11, Mary & Martha Circle
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 103

SINGLES

Bridge
Monday, 6 pm, CLC 120
Thursday Nights Together, 6:15 pm
Dinner & Program, rm 118
Divorce Care – 7 pm, rm 103
Friday Games Night
Friday, 6:30 pm, Gym & CLC

MEETINGS

Stephen Ministry Training
Sunday, 3:30 pm, rm 201-A
Benevolence Team
Monday, 12 pm, CLC 124
Singles Advisory Team
Monday, 6 pm, rm E-03
Congregational Care Committee
Monday, 6:30 pm, rm 201-A
Stewardship Committee
Tuesday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Safety, Security, Health
Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 202
Worship Committee
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Kay Senior Care Center Board
Wednesday, 5:30 pm, CLC 120
Board of Trustees Meeting
Wednesday, 5:45 pm, rm 202
Leader Development
Thursday, 6 pm, rm 202

Lectionary Readings

February 12

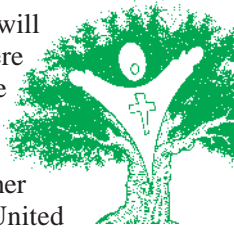
2 Kings 5:1–14; Psalm 30
1 Corinthians 9:24–27;
Mark 1:40–45

February 19

2 Kings 2:1–12; Psalm 50:1–6
2 Corinthians 4:3–6; Mark 9:2–9

Confirmation Class retreats to Lake Junaluska

This coming weekend, Feb. 4–5, students, parents and leaders will be at Lake Junaluska for our annual student/parent retreat. There will be a total of 56 persons involved in a variety of creative study sessions, trips to two United Methodist museums, worship and plenty of fellowship and fun. Each year the Confirmation Class uses this time away to help students and parents learn together about being disciples of Jesus Christ, about being a part of The United Methodist Church and having fun and fellowship together. Rick Isbell, Marc Gamble and Andy Ferguson will be sharing in the retreat leadership. Please be in prayer for this important time for our Confirmation students and their parents.



Gift for Bishop Swanson

Special Collection to be held on Sunday, February 12

Bishop James Swanson has inspired Holston Conference with his preaching and leadership for the past eight years. In honor of his efforts and passion, the Holston Conference Committee on Episcopacy will collect donations toward an appreciation gift for the Bishop as he completes his tenure in Holston Conference.

Funds received for this gift of love will be divided between two funds:

- 1) A new fund will be established in memory of Bishop Swanson's mother to be used to support issues and concerns surrounding domestic violence.
- 2) Half of the monies will be used to supplement the already existing fund that honors Bishop Swanson's father, which supports continuing education for clergy.

Both of these matters are dear to Bishop Swanson's heart. Please help show him how dear he is to our hearts by giving to this Gift of Love.



A Joy-Filled Life: Jubilation 2012

Senior Adult Gathering will be held Sun–Tues, April 22–24

"A happy heart is good medicine and a cheerful mind works healing" (Prov. 17:22). This verse sums up the theme for this year's Jubilation, a gathering of senior adults (age 50+) in the Holston Conference. The keynote speaker, Linda Douty, is the author of *How Did I get to Be 70 When I'm 35 Inside? Spiritual Surprises of Later Life* and other titles. Humorist and author Jeanne Robertson will entertain folks as she outlines the steps to developing a sense of humor. Packed full of workshops, worship, fellowship and a Happy Living Expo, participants are sure to enjoy this gathering at the MeadowView Resort in Kingsport, Tennessee. Information and forms can be found in brochure racks around the church and online at: <http://holston.org/ministries/older-adult>.

Name tags ready to be picked up

There are about 12 sets of individual name tags in the main office for pick up. These are name badges that have been ordered and paid for. If you have ordered name badges and not received them yet, you might want to check in the main office. Also, for those who have your permanent name tags, please remember to wear them when you come to church. It's nice to go "where everybody knows your name."

Next Master Arts Series Concert: Monday, March 5 at 7:30 PM in the Nave

Mark your calendars for our next concert featuring: The Music of the French composer, Maurice Duruflé, with the Church Street Parish Adult Choir, Tim Ward – director and Edie Johnson – organist.

Program will include:

Four Motets on Gregorian Themes
Parish Adult Choir

Messe cum Jubilo

The Men of the Parish Adult Choir,
soloists: Kevin Anderson & Alex Ward
Suite for Organ – Edie Johnson, organist



News & Needs

Couches Needed

• CollegeLife wants your couch! If you have a couch that you are willing to donate, please call Rev. Sarah Varnell, 521-0263, for details.

Children's News

• Twizzlers and God's Gang are using the Harry Potter book series to explore what these stories of good vs. evil can relate to us about the Gospel. Join us on Sunday at 4:30 in room 216. Parents invited!

Youth News

• **Hey Youth!** This is the Confirmation Retreat weekend at Lake Junaluska; please remember them in your prayers.

• **For Nightlife**, we will watch the Superbowl. You are welcome to stay until half-time.

Singles News

• First Friday Dance will be on February 3. The doors open at 7 pm with a Line Dance review at 7:15 and Swing Dance lessons at 8 pm. Dance from 8 to 11 pm with D.J. John Rutherford. Cost is \$7 and includes snacks and beverages.

Music News

• **Kinder Choir**, for children aged four and five, will resume on **Sunday, February 5, at 5:45 pm**, in room 212. If you have questions, please call director Shirley Smith, 681-2919.

• **Youth Choir Tour** registration forms were mailed last week. If you did not receive yours, see Tim.

CollegeLife 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.

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."



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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:

Fort Sanders: Christine Jones, Louise Zirkle

Home from hospital:

Darrell Alsip to NHC Fort Sanders Rehab,
Zoanne Bayer, Grainger Morrison

Christian Sympathy to:

Patti Harris and family in the death of Patti's father, Willis Lindsey, on January 22.

Ellen Sullivan and family in the death of Ellen's grandmother, Lydia Morris, on January 31.

Our Presence

- Jan. 23 Community Worship 30
- Jan. 25 Wednesday Noon Worship 48
- Jan. 29 Worship 726
Sunday School 500

Our Gifts

- Jan. 29 Operating Budget \$28,557
Other Designated Gifts \$6,192

Altar Flowers for Sunday, February 5

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Alan and Linda Fletcher by their daughters.

The Chapel Altar Flowers are given by Bob and Lora Jean Johnson in memory of her parents, Sam and Frances Hinton, and her sister, Nancy Hinton Lang.

Our Church Family

New Members – Sunday, Jan. 29

- **James Farris** joined by transfer from Christ UMC, in Chattanooga, TN.
- **Baily Landreth** joined by transfer from First UMC, in Selmer, TN.

Wedding

Congratulations to **Victoria Elizabeth Mitchell** and **Jeffrey S. McKee**, who were married on December 31, 2011, at Trinity UMC, with Rev. Curtis McKee, the groom's father, officiating. Tori is the daughter of Libby Hale and granddaughter of Pat Hale.

Memorials

in memory of

- **Emily Houser**
Benevolence Fund: Gene & Sandra Flinter
- **Eloise Moulton**
Memorial Fund: John H. Coleman, Julia Mirts, Sue Gray Walker; *Pastor's Discretionary Fund:* Howard & Betty Watson
- **Clay "C.J." Patton**
Altar Guild: Gretchen Beal, Sarah & Howard Wimberly; *Benevolence Fund:* Gene & Sandra Flinter
- **Bain Stewart**
Memorial Fund: Joseph Trahern, Jr.
- **Dr. Lucian Trent**
Memorial Fund: Lyle & Judy Overbay; *Library Fund:* Circle 12

STAFF (521-0 + ext.)

Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson-236-0951
Associate Pastor	Darryll Rasnake-279
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Youth Director/Trav. Mission	Marc Gamble-287
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MAIN OFFICE HOURS
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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FAX: (865) 521-0261

Pastor-on-Call Number: (865) 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.

The Coffee House, hosted by the Singles Ministry and open to all, will be held on **Friday, February 10, from 7-9 pm in CLC 120.**

Everyone is invited to join us for beverages & pastries (\$1 each) plus, music (John Waddell on guitar) and fellowship.



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