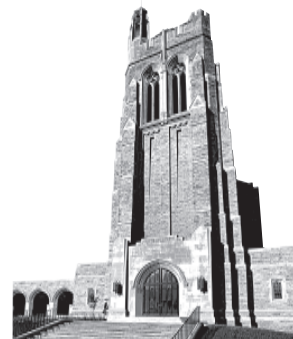


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FOR MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF CHURCH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH • KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE



6th Sunday of
Easter

• **Sunday, May 13**

Worship

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

• **Monday, May 14**

Community Worship

6 pm – Chapel – Rev. Darryll Rasnake
Community Worship Hospitality Hosts
May 14: Discovery & Seekers
May 21: Crossroads

• **Wednesday, May 16**

Midweek Worship & Communion
12 Noon – Chapel – Rev. Sarah Varnell

**Have you picked up your
parking decal?**

**Parking decals are available
in the church office.**



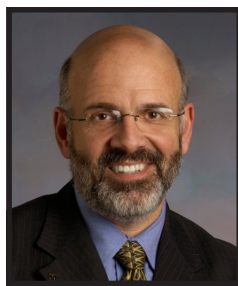
Sunday Supper
will return this fall!

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WNAF welcomes U.T. President on May 16

Meal reservations needed by May 14

This month's Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship (WNAF) lunch program will be held on **May 16**, beginning at 12:30 pm in Parish Hall. Our special guest speaker will be **Dr. Joe DiPietro**, President of the University of Tennessee, who will speak on "The State of the University of Tennessee."



Dr. DiPietro is U.T.'s 25th president. As President, he is the chief executive officer of a statewide university system that includes the flagship campus in Knoxville, campuses in Chattanooga and Martin, the Health Science Center in Memphis, and the Space Institute in Tullahoma. He also serves as chairman of the Board of Governors of UT-Battelle, which manages Oak

**Please make meal
reservations no
later than May 14.**

Ridge National Laboratory for the Dept. of Energy.

Prior to becoming president, Dr. DiPietro served as chancellor of the UT Institute of Agriculture from 2006 to 2010. Before coming to UT, he served as the dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Florida from 1997 to 2008.

Please make your meal reservations (\$6.50) by Monday, May 14, by calling the church office at 524-3048 or emailing dlively@churchstreetumc.org or bfledden@churchstreetumc.org.

Teachers & Education Leaders invited to Appreciation Breakfast Sunday, May 20 – 8 to 10 am – CLC 123

On Sunday morning, May 20, from 8 to 10 am, the Education Committee will host a breakfast buffet (muffins, fruit, bagels, juice, coffee, etc.) in the Kay Senior Care Center (CLC 123) for all our teachers and educational leaders. This is just one way in which we can say thank you to all those persons who



help make disciples of Jesus Christ through our educational ministries.

All persons who teach children, youth and adults in Sunday School, who work with youth during NightLife, who teach an adult small group study, serve as an officer in an adult Sunday School class and any other persons who serve on our education committee are cordially invited to attend.

Graduating from college? Let us hear from you!

We're looking for recent (or soon-to-be) college graduates from Church Street. The good news will be announced in the June 5th edition of *The Messenger*. Please contact Teresa Williams at 521-0299 or twilliams@churchstreetumc.org with details (name, college/university & degree). **Deadline: 12 Noon, Monday, June 4.**

Preschool's Bake Sale & Notecard Sale
Sunday morning, May 13 - Breezeway

It's time for UMW Book Review

United Methodist Women (UMW) will host its second book review on **Wednesday, June 20, at 1:30 pm** in the Church parlor (room 103). We will be reading *Half the Sky* by Sheryl WuDunn and Nicholas Kristof.



The stories in the book tell of women worldwide whose issues and struggles are ones that we cannot imagine. The oppression of women and girls throughout the world is the most pervasive issue of our time and is something of which we need to be informed and concerned. Copies of the book will be available in the church library. Note: The book is being made into a TV series on PBS which will air on Oct. 1 & 2.

For more details, please call Marilyn Ivey at 688-9393.

Let the Bible come alive on Holy Land trip



Rick and Sue Isbell will be hosting their 6th trip to the Holy Land in **January 2013**, departing January 8. This 10-day trip will help persons better understand the culture, the geography, the history and the people of the land of the Bible. This trip ranges from the northern region

all around Tiberias and the Sea of Galilee to the most southern regions of Judea including Jerusalem, Bethlehem and the Dead Sea.

If you are interested in going on this trip or if you have already signed up, the next group meeting will be on **Sunday, May 20**, at 7 pm in room 201-A. Registration brochures are on the bulletin board outside the main church office. If you have additional questions, please contact Rick or Sue Isbell.



Register now for Vacation Bible School

VBS dates and times are **June 18-21**, 9:30 am to 12 noon. Classes will be available for children 3 years of age through those who have completed fifth grade. Please note: Children must have turned 3 by January 1.

Attention Parents: Please register your child via the church website at www.churchstreetumc.org. Select "Contact Us" from the dropdown menu and choose **VBS registration**.

Have You Served God Today?

Education Committee announces summer adult elective series

The Education Committee, along with the Community & Global Missions Committee, announces the upcoming summer elective Sunday School series for adults. The class will take place in Parish Hall, beginning at 9:40 am on the specified Sundays. All adults are invited to participate. Note: This may be an opportunity to give your regular teacher a break or just have a change of pace for you or your class.

- **June 10:** *Anita Henderlight*, Executive Director of Africa Leadership Initiative which primarily works in South Sudan. Anita works and lives in South Sudan for much of the year. She will be able to share first-hand what is happening in this area of the country and what her organization is doing.
- **June 17, 24 and July 1:** *Dr. Phillip Sherman*, Maryville College Religion Professor and a Church Street member, will present "The Bible and Human Freedom" for three consecutive Sundays. Phillip will draw from texts of both the Old and New Testaments and explore what the biblical authors might have to teach us about human freedom and how their understandings might intersect or conflict with modern ideas about freedom.

CHURCH STREET UMC CALENDAR: MAY 13-19

WORSHIP

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

Sunday School · 9:40 A.M.

Hunger Helper Market

Sundays mornings
 Breezeway • until sold out

Faith & Film:

The Best Man (1964)

LEISURE ACTIVITIES & FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship-WNAF
 Wednesday, 12:30pm, Parish Hall
 Men's Basketball
 Wednesday, 6:30pm, Gym

Lectionary Readings

May 13
 Acts 10:44-48
 Psalm 98
 1 John 5:1-6
 John 15:9-17

May 20
 Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26
 Psalm 1
 1 John 5:9-13
 John 17:6-19

PERSONAL & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Faith & Films
 Sunday, 2 pm, CLC 123
 Women's Bible Study
 Wednesday, 9 am, rm 202
 Wed. Book Study (Rasnake)
 Wednesday, 10 am, rm 201-A
 Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
 Wednesday, 7:00 pm, rm 201-A

SINGLES

Singles Bridge
 Monday, 6 pm, CLC 120
 Singles Yoga
 Mon./Thurs., 7 pm, rm 204
 Thursday Nights Together, 6:15 pm
 Dinner & Program, Parish Hall
 Line Dance - 7 pm - Gym
 Yoga - 7 pm - rm 204
 Divorce Care - 7 pm - rm 103
 Friday Games Night
 Friday, 6:30 pm, Gym & CLC

MEETINGS

Stephen Ministry Group
 Sunday, 12:30 pm, rm 201-A
 Benevolence Team
 Monday, 12 noon, rm 118
 AARP Safety Driving Class
 Tuesday, 9 am, CLC 11
 Bridges Out of Poverty
 Tuesday, 1 pm, CLC 120
 Finance Committee
 Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 204
 Community & Global Missions
 Tuesday, 6:30 pm, rm 201-A
 Capstone Endowment Committee
 Wednesday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
 Staff-Parish Relations Committee
 Thursday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A

UMW

Circle #6: Mon., 7 pm, off-site



“Reflections...”

— Andy Ferguson, senior pastor

Two big occasions arrive this Sunday: Mothers’ Day and High School Senior Recognition Sunday.

We take this day to thank and recognize our mothers along with the rest of the nation. Even though recognizing our mothers has been done since the late 1800’s, the official Mothers Day set on the second Sunday of May did not occur until 1914.

The Bible is uniformly in support of motherhood: Genesis and the Ten Commandments, for example. Jesus’ mother, Mary, is treated with great honor in scripture and in Christian history.

I encourage you to recognize this day with love and honor for the mothers in your life.

The other occasion is High School Senior Recognition Sunday. The date is

chosen because of the graduation dates set by the various school systems. This church has taken great interest in raising the children of this church. Graduation is one of those milestones that give us the chance to take stock of their accomplishments and ours.



Again, I encourage you to recognize what these seniors and their families have accomplished to this point. The seniors’ education is not finished; most have many years of education still before them. It is a great milestone, and we celebrate it with them.

This Sunday, we will invite our high school seniors to take a prominent role in leading our worship. We will remember our mothers and these seniors in our prayers. These are two of the tasks that the church family gladly undertakes.

Volunteer **HOT** List!

- We have a desperate need for **Community Worship van drivers** from 5 to 8 pm on **Mondays, July - September**. Flexible & patient volunteers must be over 25 & under 70. Training provided. Contact Darryll Rasnake at 521-0279 or drasnake@churchstreetumc.org.
- Assist *Family Promise* in preparing & serving a meal (salad, vegetable or main dish), once per quarter, 5:30 to 8:30 pm. Contact zaynat@yahoo.com.
- Train as a **Benevolence Team member** to interview & assist clients, every Monday, 12 to 4 pm. Contact boxster44@comcast.net.
- Be a **Camp Hogwarts Helper** assisting with crafts & games during this upcoming children’s event, Aug. 9-10, 9 am to 4:30 pm. Contact sisbell@churchstreetumc.org.
- We’re looking for **New Member Shepherds** to help members become acquainted & involved at Church Street, less than 1 hour per week, 1 year commitment. To volunteer or for more info, contact cindymcox@comcast.net.



Be a part of the Conference Hands-On Mission Project

Help us fill food kits that will be sent to Zimbabwe. Buckets can be picked up on the Parish Hall stage. Completed buckets need to be delivered back to CLC 13 during the Sunday school hour on Sundays, May 20 & 27.

- 1 5-lb bag of Corn Meal
- 1 2-lb bag of Dried Beans
- 1 small box of Splenda
- 1 5-lb bag of Sugar
- 1 2-lb bag of Rice
- 1 box of Tea Bags (24 ct, take out of box)
- 1 box of Powdered Milk (9 oz or less)
- 1 bottle of Cooking Oil (48 oz or less)
- 1 5-lb bag of SELF-RISING Flour
- \$5 donation for packing/shipping (tape to bucket)

To donate financially---write check to “CSUMC” for \$35; reference “food buckets.” Items will be purchased for you. Deliver/mail check to Church Office.

Thursday evening series looks at Social Concerns

The TNT (Thursday Night Together) series on Social Concerns, sponsored by the **Singles Ministry** and the **Community & Global Outreach Missions Committee**, continues on the remaining Thursdays in May. The program begins at 7 pm in room 109 (Chiles Room). **FYI:** Dinner is served at 6:15 pm in Parish Hall. Meal reservations are needed and can be made by calling 524-3048. Cost is \$7 per person.

The **May 17** program “Immigration and Human Trafficking: Hidden People and Stolen Dreams” will be presented by Fran Ansley, U.T. Professor Emeritus, College of Law Distinguished Professor.

Looking ahead: May 24 – Substance Abuse, May 31 – Mental Illness

CSUMC: “A beacon...Living Christ, Teaching Christ, Offering Christ”

Children’s News

- **Have you registered for VBS yet?** Vacation Bible School will be held June 18-21. See page 2 article for details.

Youth News

- **Hey Youth!** May 20 is our end-of-the-year party at the Fergusons. This is a family event, so bring everyone. Please RSVP by calling 521-0287 or emailing mgamble@churchstreetumc.org.

Singles Ministry News

- **Singles Lunch Bunch**
Sunday, May 20 - 12:30 pm - *Calhoun's*, Bearden Hill. No reservations needed.

Web News

www.churchstreetumc.org

- To read *The Messenger* online, go to *News & Events* category and select *Newsletters*.
- Listen to & watch **REJOICE!** streamed on our website at www.churchstreetumc.org/stream.php.
- Follow us on **TWITTER & FACEBOOK!**

Music News

Youth Choir News...

- **Youth Choir Tour** to Toronto, June 2-8
- Youth Choir sings for both worship services on Sunday, June 10.

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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 Assisted Living / Health Care Facility:

Shannondale Health Care: Tom Howell
 Williamsburg Assist. Living: Calvin Campbell
 Morningview Transition: Betty Bell

Christian Sympathy to:

Fred Sherrod and family in the death of his brother, Dan F. Sherrod, on May 1.

Jo Terry and family in the death of her father, Russell Willoughby, on May 4.

Julie Cameron and family in the death of her grandmother, Marion Celestine Mave, on May 4.

Fran Ansley and family in the death of her mother, Jeanne Bonneau Turner Ansley, on April 12.

Our Presence

• Sunday Worship	681
• Weekday Worship	72
• Sunday School	426

Our Gifts

• May 6	Received toward budget	\$59,165
	Designated receipts	\$9,393
	Hunger Helper Market	\$450

Our Church Family

New Members – Sunday, May 6

John Michael and Jessica Scott joined by transfer: John from Island Home Baptist Church, Knoxville, and Jessica from St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Ashtabula, Ohio.

Their son, **Farrell Raymond**, was baptized and joined by Profession of Faith. Their other children, **Elia Marie**, **Paislee Renee**, and **Lex Xzavier** were baptized and added to the baptized members roll.

Memorials

in memory of

- **Robert Smelcer**
Benevolence Fund: Paul & Joyce Flinter
- **Dr. George Zirkle**
Memorial Fund: Mr. & Mrs. Frank Addicks, Ouida Lowry

Honoraria

in honor of

- **Walter Thomas Bishop**
Children's Ministry: Ruth DeFriese
- **Tony Stubbs**
Youth Mission Trips: Donald McLean
- **Mae Swanner**
Youth ER Funds: Your Friends

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.

Altar Flowers for Sunday, May 13

- **The Chancel Altar Flowers** are given in memory of Pauline Sprouse and Betty Jo Shofner by their families.
- **The Narthex Flowers** are given in loving memory of our grandmother, Dorothy T. Bishop, from John Michael and August Vittone, Clay and Lee Grandolph and Walter Bishop.

Wedding

- **Taylor Ann-Kathleen Morton and John Christopher Barnes** were married May 5, with Rev. Andy Ferguson officiating.



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
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. Mission	Marc Gamble-287
Communications Director	Teresa Williams-299
Preschool Director	Beth Libby-524-3511
Kay Center Director	Judith Winters-293
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Food Services	Bobby Tolley-273
Bookkeeper	Francine Jenne-267
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Secretary	Julie Hill-278
Receptionist	Brenda Flenniken-270
Sterchi Lodge Caretaker	Essie Burgin
Building Superintendent	Walt Sands-295
Head Custodian	Mike Plyler-274
Custodians	Brandon Amburn, Matt Newberry, Nita O'Dell, Michael Vineyard

MAIN OFFICE HOURS
 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Church Office: (865) 524-3048

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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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 on the Web



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