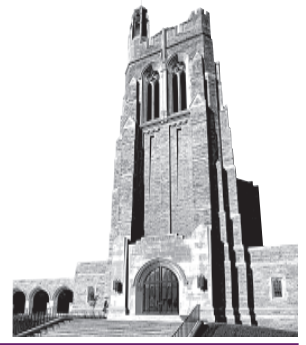


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FOR MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF CHURCH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH • KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE



5th Sunday after Pentecost
Sacrament of Holy Communion

• **Sunday, July 1**

Worship

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

• **Monday, July 2**

Community Worship

6 pm – Chapel – Rev. Darryll Rasnake
Community Worship Hospitality Hosts
July 2: Pathfinders
July 9: Explorers



6th Sunday after Pentecost

• **Sunday, July 8**

Worship

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

• **Monday, July 9**

Community Worship

6 pm – Chapel – Rev. Darryll Rasnake
Community Worship Hospitality Hosts
July 9: Explorers
July 16: Followers

• **Wednesday, July 11**

Midweek Worship & Communion

12 Noon – Chapel – Rev. Sarah Varnell

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A Church Street tradition!



Have you visited the Hunger Helper Market?

Blueberries, cucumbers, fresh flowers and plants, peanut butter cookies, pecan pies, spinach, squash, tomatoes, baked bread, blackberries... **You might find these things at the Hunger Helper Market!** The 2012 season began in late April and continues through September.

The Hunger Helper Market began 35 years ago in 1977 and raises money through the sale of vegetables, flowers, fruit and baked goods. These items, grown and made by Church Street members, are sold “market style” in the breezeway on Sunday mornings. You participate by donating produce, flowers, etc., and buying what others have shared.

Money raised during the 2012 season will benefit Wesley House, Montgomery Village and Heifer International.

Youth are M.A.D. in the City, July 8-11

It's time once again for our youth to spend a week working in our community. It's M.A.D. in the City (Making a Difference) time!

For more than 20 years, our youth have invested valuable time in the lives of children from the Mechanicsville and Lonsdale communities through the ministry of Wesley House. The under-

privileged children experience a variety of activities with our youth...in fact, the most important aspect of this ministry is for our youth to simply “Be with” the Wesley House folks.

Please pray for our youth, their leaders, and the children of Wesley House during this important inner-city mission project, July 8-11.

Hike to Mt. LeConte this summer

Annual event is August 17-18

If you have ever wanted to hike to Mt. LeConte with other Church Streeters, now is the time! The annual hike and overnight is scheduled for **Aug. 17-18**.

Sponsored by the Adult Council, the cost is \$121 per person and includes 2 meals and overnight in one of the lodges on Mt. LeConte.

A limited number of reservations are available and full payment to the church office reserves your place. Reservations are limited to Church Street members until August 1.

If you have additional questions, please contact the hosts of the hike, Jonathan or Lisa Cooper at 689-9060.

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, from **July 1 through July 14**.

The next *Messenger* edition will be produced on **July 10**.

ATTENTION: Adult Sunday School Classes

• Summer Elective Sunday School concludes

Dr. Phillip Sherman's series on "The Bible and Human Freedom" will conclude on Sunday, **July 1**. This final session begins at 9:45 am in Parish Hall and will look at New Testament passages in Galatians. All adults are invited.

• Help provide lunch for "Camp in the Community"

Church Street is collaborating with Camp Wesley Woods to provide a camping experience, "Camp in the Community," at World's Fair Park the week of **July 23-27**.

Classes are needed to provide lunch for 50 children from our community each day. You may either provide the lunch or donate financially to cover the lunch cost.

To volunteer your class, please contact Darryll Rasnake at drasnake@churchstreetumc.org or 521-0279.

Join the fun & be blessed!

Teach Preschool Sunday school!

Do you need a fresh way of thinking about God? Would you like to once again reduce your faith to the basics and experience God's love in a profound way? Would you believe one of the best places to do that is teaching preschool Sunday school? Young children have an exuberance for life and an awe-filled discovery of God's world that you can experience each week as you lead them through simple activities during the Sunday school hour.



Recruiting teachers to commit for one year of teaching can sometimes be difficult until they actually experience what being with young children each week can be like.

We are currently looking for two additional teachers for our two-year-old class and three additional teachers for our combined three & four-year-old class. Responsibilities begin the end of August and continue for one year, through next summer. Our hope is to have full teams in place so teachers can enjoy a rotation of responsibilities and be part of a working team.

This is important work, but it is also a blessing to watch children begin to learn the basics of the Bible and the joy that comes from being part of God's family. Prayerfully consider being part of this ministry for the coming year. Contact Sue Isbell at 521-0282 or sisbell@churchstreetumc.org for more information, or better yet, to volunteer.



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 Stephen Ministry details, please contact a member of our clergy staff.

CHURCH STREET UMC CALENDAR: JULY 1 - 14

WORSHIP

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

Sunday School • 9:40 A.M.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES & FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday Lunch [July 11]
Wednesday, 12:30pm, Parish Hall
Men's Basketball [July 11]
Wednesday, 6:30pm, Gym

YOUTH

M.A.D. in the City [July 8-11]
Sunday - Wednesday

SINGLES

Singles Advisory Team
Monday, 6 pm, rm E-03
Bridge: Mon., 6 pm, CLC 120
Yoga: Mon., 7 pm, rm 204
Line Dance: Thurs., 7 pm, Gym
Friday Fun Night Dance [July 6]
Friday, 8 pm, Gym & CLC
Friday Games Night [July 13]
Friday, 6:30 pm, Gym & CLC

PERSONAL & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Beth Moore Study/based on James
Monday, 6:30 pm, rm 201-A
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7:00 pm, rm 201-A

Lectionary Readings

July 1

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27
Psalm 130
2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Mark 5:21-43

July 8

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10
Psalm 48
2 Corinthians 12:2-10
Mark 6:1-13

July 15

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19
Psalm 24
Ephesians 1:3-14
Mark 6:14-29

MEETINGS

[July 1-7]

Benevolence Team
Monday, 12 noon, rm 118

MEETINGS

[July 8-14]

Benevolence Team
Monday, 12 noon, rm 118
Stephen Ministry Group Mtg
Sunday, 12:30 pm, rm 201-A
Board of Trustees
Wednesday, 5:45 pm, rm 202

UMW

Circle #1 (Lydia) [July 10]
Tuesday, 12 noon, Rm 109



For July/August Circle Meetings:

If you have questions about whether your circle is meeting, please check with your circle chair.

Hunger Helper Market

Sunday mornings
Breezeway • until sold out



The church office will be closed on Wednesday,
July 4, in observance of Independence Day!

Congratulations to Church Street's Preschool



Once again, our Child Preschool has earned **3 Stars**, the highest score on their Tennessee Department of Human Services “report card.”

Our Preschool is a great example of quality childcare – even the Childcare Resource Center at U.T. has asked to use examples from our program.

Many congratulations to Miss Rachel who was picked for the assessment. Thanks also to our Preschool Board and our fine staff of teachers, led by Director Beth Cooper Libby. This is the 11th year of having 3 STARS. Keep up the good work!

Father's Day Honor Roll 2012 Kay Senior Care Center

In Honor of

Given By

- Rick Armbrister Matt & Stephanie Strutner
- Phil Carrier John & Phyllis Eldridge
- Jimmy Cox Doug & Malessa Mason
- Jerrod Gaertner His Children; Ryn & Gavin
- Christopher Georges Patrick, Joy & Chris McCabe
- Lynn E. Larkin Gerry Larkin
- Charles Mason Doug & Malessa Mason
- Douglas E. Matthews Gerry Larkin
- Cecil Rowe His Family
- Clay Stalcup His Children, Seth & Aiden
- Wilbur Warwick His Family

In Memory of

Given By

- George Armbrister Rick & JoAnn Armbrister
- Our Fathers Barbara & Scott Collins
- Robert Boyd James & Stephanie Boyd
- Ed Buchheit John Buchheit
- James S. Carmon Jim & Nancy Carmon
- Dr. George A. Zirkle, Jr. Andy & Nancy Zirkle,
Joyce & Jack Tapscott
- Dr. Henry H. Naff, Jr. His Children
- Dr. Frank F. Bell Mary Kathryn Crone, Nancy Banks
& Carol Trevasone
- Mr. & Mrs. Dewey Coffey Mai & Charlie Coffey
- David R. Cox Elizabeth Cox Gaertner
- Charles Craig Dave & Betty Craig
- George D. Dominick Jane & George Dominick
- Harve Donahue Dwight & Jan Wade
- Ed Eldridge John & Phyllis Eldridge
- Gerald Lee Gulley, Sr. Jerry & Jane Gulley; Blythe & Jack
- George Olen Jordan John and Dawn von Weisenstein
- Mr. & Mrs. Jesse Holland Mai & Charlie Coffey
- Frank C. Larkin Lynn & Gerry Larkin
- Thomas N. Lewis Mary Lewis
- Don Penland Bill & Barbara Penland
- Anthony Romanosky James & Stephanie Boyd
- Harvey K. Sharp Shirley Stanberry
- Fred Siddens Rick & JoAnn Armbrister
- Darrell D. Simmons Jim & Nancy Carmon
- Dr. Charles R. Smethells Jerry & Jane Gulley; Blythe & Jack
- Floyd Starrett Dave & Betty Craig
- William Frederick von Weisenstein John & Dawn von Weisenstein
- Dwight R. Wade, Sr. Dwight & Jan Wade
- Roy West Lynn West

Join the Children's Ministry Email List

To be part of the Children's Ministry email distribution for news related to Church Street children (class information, volunteer opportunities, family events, etc.), please send an email to Sue Isbell at sisbell@churchstreetumc.org.

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.

Our AEDs are located near room 118 & near Gym

Reminder: Our two AEDs (Automated Electronic Defibrillator) are located (1) on the wall outside room 118, across from the side door to the kitchen and (2) in the Church Life Center, near the Gym.

Have You Listened To God Today?

MESSENGER & NEWSWIRE distributions

Please note: If you are a part of the Church Street *NEWSWIRE* and/or receive *The MESSENGER* via email....please remember to notify Teresa Williams, if your email address changes.

Also if you consistently do not receive or have trouble with receiving either the newsletter or *NEWSWIRE*, contact Teresa. Most “bounced” emails seem to come from those of you with Earthlink accounts.



Camp Hogwarts Coming in August



Church Street's summer day camp is on the calendar for **August 9 & 10**.

"Camp Hogwarts" will be centered in the fun of the Harry Potter novels but will offer kids the opportunity to explore a lot of different activities from recreation to crafts to outreach opportunities. Each day will include classes, lunch, snacks, and an afternoon of games and movies.

This camp is recommended for children who have completed grades Kindergarten through fifth grade. The fee for the camp is \$20 per child to cover food and supplies. Register now in the Children's Hallway.

For more information about the camp, or to volunteer to be on the Hogwarts staff, contact Sue Isbell at 521-0282 or sisbell@churchstreetumc.org.

Sign up for Drama Troupe Auditions

Audition on July 15 or July 22

The next big production for our Drama Troupe will be the children's ministry "dinner-theater" in October. Auditions are scheduled following the 2nd service on **Sundays July 15 and July 22**. Just attend one audition.

Pizza will be ordered for lunch. Let us know which Sunday you will audition. Sign up in the children's hallway outside the Gathering Place or contact Laura Still for info.

JUST FOR FUN - Staff Trivia

For a few weeks now, various tidbits of staff trivia have been on the "God's People at Church Street" bulletin board in the Chapel hallway. Questions are asked about the identity of various staff members. Below is just a sampling of this interesting trivia. Check out the board for more!

Which staff member met their future spouse at Church Camp?

Loretta Best met her husband, Rev. Larry Best, while they were both working as counselors at church camp at Big Ridge State Park ...and the rest is history. Loretta and Larry will celebrate their 54th anniversary this year.

Which staff member as a child traveled around the southeast racing Soap Box Derbies?

That would be **Tim Ward**. Check out a picture on the bulletin board.

Which 3 staff members graduated from the same Nashville college?

Rick Isbell, **Sue Isbell** and **Teresa Williams** graduated from Scarritt College with degrees in Christian Education.

Which staff member won an award for costume design for a Bijou production of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*?

Beth Cooper Libby

Which two staff members each have an identical twin?

Both **Kelly Woods** and **Doris Lively** each have an identical twin.

Which staff member worked on a presidential campaign in Washington, D.C.?

Teresa Williams worked in Washington, D.C. on the 1980 Presidential campaign staff of Tennessee's Senator Howard H. Baker, Jr. This was where Teresa first worked on a computer.

Which staff member once owned a kayak and met his spouse when he was just 16 years old?

Marc Gamble met Darla when he was 16 years old. They will celebrate 23 years of marriage this August.

Which staff member had an afro and long side burns in college?

Rick Isbell has pictures to prove that he indeed had an afro and long side burns as a college student.

CHILD CARE REMINDER!

Attention Parents!

If YOU requested child care for a meeting or rehearsal and decide you don't need it, please remember to call 521-0290 and cancel your child care need.

Have you lost something?

If you have lost your keys, your gloves, your Bible or any other item at the church, please check with Doris Lively (521-0271) or Brenda Flenniken (521-0270) in the church office.

Domestic Violence Helpline (865) 521-6336

Have you picked up your parking decal?
Parking decals are available in the church office.

Be a part of the Church Street NEWSWIRE

Those members with email addresses have an opportunity to be up-to-date on Church Street news, such as bereavements, etc. and other late-breaking news which occurs during the week.

To join the Newswire, please contact Teresa Williams, 521-0299 or twilliams@churchstreetumc.org.



**Don't Take
a Vacation
from Church**



“Reflections...”

– Andy Ferguson, senior pastor

One of the good stories told at annual conference came from one of our missionaries in South Sudan. Thanks to Bishop Swanson, Holston Conference has gotten involved in that new nation – even before it became a nation, even when it was caught up in civil war.

In the early days of our missionary work, a gift was prepared for the people of that war-torn area. The unexpected recommendation when the missionaries were deciding what to take was “soccer balls.” I would have expected food or medicine or tools. We have since done all of those things. But, this was the first trip, and they wanted to get it right. Soccer balls.

When the missionary, Rev. Fred Dearing arrived in southern Sudan, he found himself in a dusty, desert town. Soldiers armed with rifles patrolled the streets. Kids, of course, were everywhere.

Fred and the others from Holston Conference got out of their trucks and began to get ready. This was their moment to introduce themselves to the people of southern Sudan. Fred took out an air pump and began to inflate a soccer ball. As expected, he was suddenly the center of attention. When that first ball was inflated, he had to decide which one of

these interested people would be the first to receive a ball. He looked at the kids; he thought about the soldiers. On impulse, he gave that first ball to a soldier who was watching nearby.

The soldier leaned his rifle against a wall and began to try out the soccer ball. It was clear that he knew how to handle it. Pretty soon, the other soldiers in the dusty square came over; a pickup game of soccer broke out. Their rifles leaned against the walls of nearby houses, the soldiers were soon caught up in a game of soccer.

Then, Fred realized that something Biblical had happened. All those soldiers had laid aside their rifles to focus on a soccer ball sent from the United Methodists in Holston Conference.

In Isaiah 2.4, the prophet says of the day when the Lord comes: *He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.*

It was soccer balls instead of plowshares, but the United Methodists of Holston Conference offered evidence to that war-torn country that in God’s good time it can happen.

Have you seen the “Book of Tributes?”

Church Street’s *Book of Tributes* reflects a tribute to the love, loyalty and dedication of church members now deceased. To nominate a deceased member of our church for inclusion in the *Book of Tributes*, please obtain an application from the church office.

Nominee must have been a member or former member of Church Street UMC at the time of death...and the person must have made a meaningful contribution to the church by their participation and actions.



Persons continue to register for Holy Land trip

More than a dozen persons have signed up to go on the Holy Land trip, hosted by Rick and Sue Isbell. **The 10-day trip, leaving Knoxville on January 8, 2013, still has plenty of room for others who might want to join the group.**

If you are interested in following in the footsteps of Jesus through the Galilee and Judea regions of Israel, you still have time to sign up. Information/registration brochures are on the large bulletin board outside the main office. Contact Rick Isbell (521-0266, risbell@churchstreetumc.org) or Sue Isbell (521-0282, sisbell@churchstreetumc.org) for additional details.

Volunteer **HOT** List!

• 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.

• **Help UT students move into the dorms** on Aug. 18. Please contact Merry-Reid Sheffer at mrsheffer@comcast.net.

CHILDREN’S NEWS

• **Register for Summer Day Camp - Camp Hogwarts coming Aug. 9-10** and is for children in kindergarten through 5th grade. Registration forms are in children’s hallway.

YOUTH NEWS

• **Hey Youth!** Online registration for summer activities can be found on the youth website at www.churchstreetyouth.com.

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

• **Friday Fun Night Dance**
Friday, July 6 - Gym [Red-White-Blue]
Doors open at 7 pm with Line Dance Review at 7:15 pm and Swing Dance Lessons at 8 pm followed by the Dance from 8 to 11 pm. Cost is \$7. Casual Dress. Youth must be supervised by a parent.

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

• **Mark your calendars now!**
Youth Choir Camp
Lake Junaluska, NC
August 25 & 26

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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:

Tennova Turkey Creek: Jim Langford

Home from hospital:

Scott Collins, Lisa Stanley, Gordon Abbott, Louise Zirkle

Christian Sympathy to:

Felix Line and family in the death of his sister-in-law, Margaret Joyce Pittman Abele, on June 16 in Cincinnati, OH.

John Shearer and family in the death of his mother, Velma Shearer, on June 21 in Chattanooga.

Dorothy Swearingen and family in the death of her husband, Russell (Russ) Swearingen, on June 22.

Our Presence

• Sunday Worship	635
• Weekday Worship	86
• Sunday School	333

Our Gifts

• Received toward budget	\$34,424
• Hunger Helper Market (2 wks)	\$466
• Other Contributions	\$3,022

Altar Flowers for Sunday, July 1

- **The Chancel Altar Flowers** are given in memory of Laura K. White by her family.
- **The Chapel Altar Flowers** are given in loving memory of James Garst by his family.

Altar Flowers for Sunday, July 8

- **The Chancel Altar Flowers** are given in loving memory of 2nd Lieutenant James L. Weeks and Colonel Eugene Weeks by Mildred Weeks and family.

Memorials

in memory of

• Dorothy Bedwell

Rejoice! TV Ministry: Ann & Wilbur Warwick, Murphy Builders Sunday School Class, Janie & Bill Dempster, Anne & Allison Ensor; *Memorial Fund:* Ed & Valerie Nicholson, Sara Kramer

• Margaret Newton

Memorial Fund: David Bailey, Sara Kramer, Margaret McKinnon, Emily Whitehorne, Albert Ritchie Family, Townes Lavidge Osborn & the Arthur Lavidge Family, Mrs. David Kerr, Jim & Louise Ellis, Anne Dean McWirtter; *Altar Guild:* Ann & Wilbur Warwick; *Sterchi Lodge Fund:* Nancy & Lloyd Montgomery

Honoraria

in honor of

• Jim & Lyla Boehms

Soup Kitchen: Mary Ellen Boehms

In Memoriam

Russell (Russ) Swearingen

Joined: 06-09-2002 Died: 06-22-2012

Memorial Service scheduled

The Memorial Service for **Dorothy**

Bedwell will be Saturday morning, **July 14**, at 10 am at Shannondale Retirement Center Chapel.



Sacrament of Christian Baptism

- **Madison Elizabeth Langdon**, the daughter of Chris and Felicia Langdon and granddaughter of Barna and Mary Ann Gibson, was baptized on June 24.

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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Church Administrator	Kate Bledsoe-268
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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
Head Custodian	Mike Plyler-274
Custodians	Brandon Amburn, Matt Newberry, Nita O'Dell, Leo Thibeault

MAIN OFFICE HOURS

8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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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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