

M THE CHURCH STREET MESSENGER



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

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Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, January 20

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Nave

Rev. Andy Ferguson

Monday, January 21

No Community Worship

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Church buildings closed

Community Worship

Hospitality Hosts

January 28: Murphy Builders and
Potter's Wheel

February 4: Followers

Wednesday, January 23

Midweek

Worship & Communion

12 noon – Chapel

Rev. Sarah Varnell

The WNAF program and lunch
follows the service this week.

Sunday Supper

5:15–6 PM in Parish Hall

\$6.50 (12 & up) • \$4 (children)

January 20

Meatloaf with mashed potatoes & gravy,
peas & carrots, garden salad, rolls
and dessert

Tea, Coffee, Lemonade and Water

Kid's choice: Chicken tenders
& sweet potato tots

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



The Vienna Boys Choir Comes to Church Street

On Tuesday, February 26, at 7:30 p.m., the Vienna Boys Choir will perform at Church Street. It is a choir of trebles and altos based in Vienna, Austria, and one of the best-known boys' choirs in the world. The boys are selected mainly from Austria, but also from many other countries. There are approximately 100 choristers between the ages of 10 and 14. The boys are divided into four touring choirs, named for Bruckner, Haydn, Mozart and Schubert, which perform about 300 concerts each year before almost 500,000 people.

You will need a ticket for this performance. Master Arts Society Members receive complimentary tickets. Contact Tim Ward for more information at 521-0276. Tickets are available for purchase in the church office during regular business hours and from Tim Ward on Sundays. Cost is \$20 for adults, \$10 for students. Don't miss this amazing performance!

Make Peace With Your Money in 2013

There's still time to attend Financial Peace University (FPU) starting this week.

Orientations will be held at 1 p.m. on Sundays, January 20 and 27, in room 118.

Cost for the 9-week course on how to budget, reduce debt, invest and more is only \$75 for Church Street members and \$100 for nonmembers. Questions? Contact J.R. Hertwig at 384-7049 or by email at jrhertwig01@yahoo.com or visit the FPU website at:

www.daveramsey.com/fpu.

WNAF Welcomes Dr. Harold Black

On Wednesday, January 23, our special guest for Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship is **Dr. Harold A. Black, Professor Emeritus in the Department of Finance at the University of Tennessee.** Dr. Black will present information on how last November's election is affecting seniors and the economy. Cost for lunch is \$6.50; luncheon reservations need to be made by Sunday, Jan. 20, by calling the church office at 524-3048 or e-mailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org.

Special Offering this week

Your gifts to **Human Relations Day** on Sunday, January 20, provide avenues to restored relationships through ministries like Youth Offender Rehabilitation, Community Developers self-improvement programs and United Methodist Voluntary Services community advocacy programs. It's time to think about and support justice, to become radical in changing lives and changing the world. Please give generously.

Discover Church Street Class is this Sunday, January 20

Discover Church Street class for all visitors, prospective and/or new members will meet **this Sunday, from 4:00–7:00 p.m. in CLC 120.** Led by senior pastor, Rev. Andy Ferguson and other clergy staff, the class includes an overview of the beliefs of the United Methodist Church, the mission and ministry of Church Street UMC, a complimentary dinner and a building tour. It will also give attendees time to ask questions about Church Street. Persons wanting to attend should contact Rick Isbell, Minister of Discipleship, at 521-0266 or risbell@churchstreetumc.org.

Church office closed for holiday

The church office and buildings will be closed on Monday, January 21, due to Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. For pastoral emergencies, call (865) 236-1518.

Church-wide Leadership Celebration features Ginny Weatherstone

On Sunday, January 27, at 12:15 p.m. in Parish Hall there will be a leadership celebration luncheon for all elected committee members and chairpersons. The featured speaker for the luncheon is Ginny Weatherstone, Exec. Director of the Volunteer Ministry Center. Her topic is “**Vision & Vitality: 3 Vignettes.**” Following her presentation there will be time for committees to have orientation meetings. Informational materials will also be given out.

All persons should make reservations for the luncheon (cost is \$7) by calling the church office, 524-3048 or by emailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org. **Luncheon and childcare reservations need to be made by Wednesday, Jan. 23,** so adequate preparations can be made. We want to thank the Leader Development Committee for planning this special event for all our church leaders.

Church Street Snow Policy

- **Sundays:** Worship will almost always be held. A change in worship or Sunday School will be announced on Facebook, Twitter and on the church's blog. A change in evening activities may be announced on Sunday morning.
- **Weekdays:** If Knox County Schools close, ALL activities and meetings at the church are cancelled, with the exception of Thursday's Soup Kitchen.

Church Street UMC Calendar: January 20–26

Worship

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)
Sunday, 10 am (WVLT2)
No Community Worship (1/21)
Martin Luther King, Jr., Day
Midweek Communion Service
Wed., 12 noon, Chapel

Sunday School—9:40 AM

Music

No Youth Choir Rehearsal (1/20)
Youth at Resurrection 2013
Kinder Choir
Sunday, 5:45 pm, rm 212
Primary Choir (1st–2nd grades)
Sunday, 5:45 pm, rm 308
Chorister Choir (3rd–5th grades)
Sunday, 5:45 pm, rm 306
Adult Handbell Rehearsal
Sunday, 6:50 pm, rm 304
Parish Adult Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 306

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Sunday Supper
Sunday, 5:15 pm, Parish Hall
WNAF Lunch & Program
Wed., 12:30 pm, Parish Hall
Young Men's Basketball
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

Children

God's Gang (1st–2nd grades)
Sunday, 4:45 pm, CLC 213
Twizzlers (3rd–5th grades)
Sunday, 4:45 pm, CLC 213

Youth

No NightLife on Sun., Jan. 20
High School Bible Study
Tuesday, 8:30 pm, offsite
Middle School Girls Bible Study
Wednesday, 5 pm, offsite
Band Practice
Wed., 6:30 pm, CLC 15
Girls' Basketball Practice
Thursday, 6 pm, Gym

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Financial Peace Orientation
Sunday, 1 pm, rm 118
Discover CSUMC Class
Sunday, 4 pm, CLC 120
Christian Believer Class
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 202
Dr. Wender's Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
CollegeLife Bible Study
Sunday, 6 pm, CLC 124
Men's Bible Study
Sunday, 6 pm, rm 201-A
Wednesday Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday, 9 am, CLC 124
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A

Meetings & Ministry

Stephen Ministry Training
Sunday, 1:30 pm, rm 201-A
NO Benevolence Team (1/21)
Martin Luther King, Jr., Day
Church Council
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Chapel
Stephen Min. Peer Supervision
Thursday, 10 am, rm 201-A
Thursday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall

Singles

No Bridge or Yoga (1/21)
Martin Luther King, Jr., Day
Line Dance: Thurs., 7–9 pm, Gym
Friday Games Night
Friday, 6:30 pm, Gym/CLC

UMW

Sarah Circle
Monday, 6:30 pm, offsite

The Lectionary READINGS

January 20
Isaiah 62:1–5
Psalm 36:5–10
1 Corinthians 12:1–11
John 2:1–11

January 27
Nehemiah 8:1–10
Psalm 19
1 Corinthians 12:12–31a
Luke 4:14–21

Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

Recently, we met **Rev. Leah Burns**, the “new kid on the block” at Church Street. She comes to us from Haven Chapel United Methodist Church, where she served for six years as pastor. While her arrival has just occurred, we have been working to fill this open position for several months. She does not exactly fill an open position; this comes through a series of decisions about the way we want to do ministry.

Last summer, at the July Church Council meeting, we made the decision to make small group ministry a basic approach to ministry. Standing alongside Sunday School, small groups provide the means for hands-on mission and congregational care.

As it turned out, Rev. Sarah Varnell asked for the opportunity to lead and shape this new direction in ministry. Because of Sarah’s familiarity with our congregation, that seemed like a good decision, but then we had to make room in her many responsibilities for this new addition. Thus, the Staff–Parish Committee identified the need for an additional Associate Pastor.

As Associate Pastor for Congregational Care, Leah will provide support and training for Stephen Ministry; she will lead worship each Sunday along with the other pastors; she will join in the ongoing pastoral care of this congregation. The work she undertakes is not new, but the position she holds is new.

Finally, being a Licensed Local Pastor, Leah’s license to preach had become inactive since she left Haven’s Chapel last June. Recently, the Bishop and Cabinet formally appointed her, and her active license was presented to her at the Knoxville District Pastors’ meeting. She will need lots of introductions from us as she learns our names, and there will be lots of things she does for the first time at this church. So, let’s get started. **Welcome, Leah, to Church Street!**

Eye Glasses Needed

The Murphy Builders class and the Community and Global Concerns committee are collecting used glasses and eyewear for the East Tennessee Lions Club Eye Bank. The Lions provide glasses and eye surgery for the needy in our area.

There is a Lions collection box in the Murphy Builders’ classroom. Please bring your unneeded eyewear to help those in need.

For more information, contact Dan Kelley at 385-1187.



Do We Have Your E-mail Address?

In our attempt to be better stewards of our environment and monetary resources, the church office is sending meeting notices and other correspondence via e-mail, rather than postal mail. You can help by checking your inbox for messages from Church Street and by giving us your e-mail address. Please send your current e-mail address to Doris Lively at dlively@churchstreetumc.org. Members without an e-mail address will receive mailed meeting notices.

Ultimate Date Night

First United Methodist Church in Maryville is offering a unique marriage workshop at the Airport Hilton on Friday, January 25, from 7–9 p.m. and on Saturday, January 26, from 9 a.m. to noon. Comedians Laura and Jay Lafoon will offer couples ways to strengthen their marriage with humor.

Jay and Laura will share their own experiences as they unravel what they’ve learned about the mysteries of intimate relationships, believing that all married couples share the same struggles and joys along the journey. Tickets are \$75 per couple and can be purchased at Cedar Springs Bookstore in West Knoxville or at First United Methodist Church in Maryville. For more information, call 865-982-1273.

CSUMC blog

Scan this code with your smartphone to be taken directly to the Church Street blog. You will find pictures, videos, notes from the pastors, and much more. It’s an easy way to stay up-to-date on the latest happenings at Church Street.



CHILDREN’S news

Save the date for a special lunch performance from our Drama Troupe on Sunday, February 24. More information to come!

YOUTH news

Please remember our 56 youth and adults who are taking part in the annual Holston Conference Resurrection retreat this weekend.

Also, there will be NO evening youth activities this Sunday evening.

MUSIC news

Kinder Choir, led by Shirley Smith, begins Sunday, January 20, at 5:45 p.m. in room 212. You may contact Ms. Shirley at 681-2919 for more information or to sign up.

BENEVOLENCE news

Do you know about the Benevolence Team? Do you know what they do and how they do it?

We have a 30-minute slide show that will answer all these questions. Benevolence Team members would love to show you how they help others and answer any additional questions for your Sunday School class or church group. Contact Doug Spencer at 804-4369 or Dan Kelley at 385-1187 to arrange a presentation.



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:

Tennova Turkey Creek: Mary Barker
U.T.: Jim Grubb

Home from the hospital:

Frances Bennett, James Ellison,
Barbara Paulson

Christian Sympathy to:

Cathleen Carroll in the death of her father,
Millard Greenlee, Jr., on January 9.

Bob Paulson in the death of his sister-in-law,
Shirley Paulson, on December 19.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	790
Sunday School	454
Weekday Worship Services	78

Our Gifts

Received toward budget	\$ 39,005.18
Other	\$ 3,737.50

Our Church Family

Baptisms:

- **Caroline Meizi Stalcup**, daughter of Clay and Staci Stalcup was baptized at the 8:30 a.m. service on Sunday, Jan. 13.
- **Tristan Lane Hertwig**, son of J. R. and Crystal Hertwig was baptized at the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, Jan. 13.

Celebrations:

- **Congratulations** to Joan Brown O'Kane on the birth of her granddaughter, **Ella Lee Brown**, to parents Rev. Chris and Suzanne Brown, on Jan. 7.

Memorials

- **Matthew Bates**

Matthew Bates Counseling Fund:
Lynn & Marty Bates

- **Reuben Hunter**

Memorial: Jacqueline Newman;
Rejoice! TV Ministry: Murphy Builders
Sunday School Class;
Soup Kitchen: Frank & Elaine Ralston

- **Pam Wentz**

Soup Kitchen: Frank & Elaine Ralston

Altar Flowers for Sunday, January 20

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given
in loving memory of Rachel Moncier by
Herbert, Adam and Nicholas.



The Sharing Shop of United Methodist Women

United Methodist Women will continue its mission of operating The Sharing Shop on the second and fourth Monday of each month. Since Christmas we are definitely in need of some items and could use the help of the congregation. Items needed at this time are toilet paper, shampoo, deodorant, dishwashing liquid, socks, diapers, blankets and larger size coats and pants. You may bring these items to the church office or to the shop on the days it is open. Heartfelt thanks for helping us continue to be in mission in 2013 and for supporting us as we serve and get to know our neighbors.

Contact Us

Church Office (865) 524-3048
Hours: Mon.–Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Fax number (865) 521-0261
Pastor On-Call Number (865) 236-1518
For emergencies, call the On-Call Number and the pastor on call will answer or you may leave a message and the pastor will return your call.

On the Web:

www.churchstreetumc.org
Watch *Rejoice!* streamed on our web site.
Follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

Staff Directory

Dial 521-0 + extension

Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson-236-0951
Associate Pastor	Darryll Rasnake-279
Associate Pastor	Sarah Varnell-263
Associate Pastor	Leah Burns-298
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
Child Care Coordinator	Jamie McKinney-290
Youth Director	Marc Gamble-287
Preschool Director	Beth Libby-524-3511
Kay Center Director	Judith Winters-293
Kay Center	Kay Center Staff-289
Church Administrator	Kate Bledsoe-268
Bookkeeper	Francine Jenne-267
Food Services Director	Bobby Tolley-273
Communications Director	Caroline Lamar-299
Administrative Assistant	Kelly Woods-262
Ministers' Secretary Emerita	Loretta Best-280
Executive Secretary	Doris Lively-271
Receptionist	Brenda Flenniken-270
Part-time Secretary	Julie Hill-278
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