

Worship
OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 19

Pentecost

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Nave
Rev. Nathan Malone

Monday, May 20

Community Worship

6 PM - Chapel

Community Worship
Hospitality Hosts

May 20: Youth

May 27: No Service

June 3: Parables

Wednesday, May 22

Midweek

Worship & Communion

12 noon - Chapel

Rev. Sarah Varnell

Lunch will follow in Parish Hall. Call
524-3048 by Monday at noon to make a
reservation.

College Graduates

We're looking for new college graduates from Church Street. The graduates will be listed in the June 3 edition of *The Messenger*. Please contact Caroline Lamar at 521-0299 or

clamar@churchstreetumc.org with details (name, university, degree).

The deadline for submitting a graduate is **Monday, June 2 at noon.**



this is his first time to preach at Church Street.

Last Sunday, the UMW held a Bake Sale with all proceeds going to Imagine No Malaria. The sale raised more than \$1,200 which was added to the money already raised by our children and our youth earlier this year. You may still contribute to this important ministry by giving to the special offering on Sunday or logging onto the church website at www.churchstreetumc.org.

Special Offering This Sunday

This **Sunday, May 19**, we will collect a special offering at both services for Imagine No Malaria. Knoxville District Superintendent Rev. Nathan Malone will be our guest preacher as he shares his witness from his recent trip to Sudan. He is finishing his first year as our Superintendent, so

WNAF Welcomes WVLT's Rick Russo

Join us for the Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship luncheon on **Wednesday, May 22**, at 12:30 p.m. in Parish Hall. Our guest speaker will be Rick Russo, sports director at WVLT. He will be speaking on his more than 22 years of sports reporting and his outlook on the 2013 UT football season. Cost for lunch is \$6.50. Reservations can be made by calling the church office, 524-3048, or e-mailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org no later than Monday, May 20.



VBS Needs Your Help!

VBS is still a month away, (June 17-20) but we need your help to make the week a success. Here are the current needs:

- Anyone with wood cutting skills & tools who would cut basic house shapes (square on one end and triangular on the other) from 2 x 4's. Wood will be provided.
- Adults who can staff the grill at the closing celebration on Thursday, June 20 to help grill hot dogs.
- A class or group who would provide a light lunch for the VBS volunteers on Thursday, June 20 at noon as we say thanks for a great week and get ready for the closing celebration.

Please contact Sue Isbell at sisbell@churchstreetumc.org or 521-0282 to volunteer. Parents: Don't forget to register your child for VBS! There will be classes for children three years old through those who have completed fifth grade. Register your children by visiting www.churchstreetumc.org.



Summer Elective Series Begins With Dead Sea Scrolls Lectures

The Education Committee is pleased to announce that Dr. Phillip Sherman will present a summer adult elective series on the Dead Sea Scrolls on Sundays, June 16, 23 and 30 in Parish Hall. The series will explore the history of the discovery (1948) and delayed publication of the Scrolls, as well as explore what the Scrolls have to teach us about ancient Judaism, the origins of Christianity and the history of the text of the Bible. The presentations will include images of the Scrolls and a close presentation of a handful of the most important texts. Dr. Phillip Sherman is Assistant Professor of Religion at Maryville College and a member of Church Street.

The summer elective series will continue in July. On July 7, Grant Standefer, Executive Director of Compassion Coalition will speak on "Hope Blossoms When We Claim Our Role as Salt & Light in Our Community." Then on July 14, Jim Harb, a native of Knoxville with a Christian Palestinian heritage who has been active in efforts toward peace in the Middle East for 40 years will speak on, "Hope Springs Eternal in the Land of Milk and Honey." Classes or individuals may choose to come to part or all of the sessions from June 16 through July 14.

Kay Center Caregiver Support Group to Meet Next Week

Please join us **Monday, May 20** at 3 p.m. in room 201-A for a support group sponsored by the Kay Senior Care Center. There will be time to talk with others about the joys and challenges of being a caregiver. Please RSVP to Judith Winters by calling 521-0293 if you will be attending. This will be an ongoing support group that meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m.

Take Me Out to the Ballgame

Adult Council is hosting a special trip to watch the Tennessee Smokies play. Join us on Friday, May 24, at Smokies Stadium in Sevierville at 7:15 p.m. as the Smokies take on Hunstville. The group rate (for 20 or more people) will be \$7.50 per person for Field Level Seats. Parking at the stadium is \$3 per car. To sign up, please call the church office at 524-3048 or e-mail reservations@churchstreetumc.org. You do not have to pay for your tickets until the night of the game. We hope you and your family will join us for this fun night of baseball and fellowship.



Church Street UMC Calendar: May 19–May 25

Worship

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

Sunday School—9:40 AM

Music

Youth Choir Rehearsal
Sun., 4 pm, rm 306

Youth

End of the Year Party
Sunday, 5:30 pm, Ferguson
Residence

Meetings & Ministry

Hunger Helper Market
Sunday, 8-noon, Breezeway
Benevolence Team
Monday, noon, CLC 124
Kay Center Support Group
Monday, 3 pm, room 201-A
Communications Committee
Tuesday, 7:30 am, offsite
Fianance Committee
Tuesday, 6 pm, room 204
Community & Global Missions
Tuesday, 6 pm, room 202
Congregational Care Committee
Tuesday, 6 pm, room 118
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall

**Reminder:
The Church Office will
be closed on Monday,
May 27 for
Memorial Day.**

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Bridge
Mon., 6 pm, CLC 120
Young Men's Basketball
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym
WNAF with Rick Russo
Wed., 12:15 pm, Parish Hall
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

UMW

Sarah Circle
Monday, 6:30 pm, offsite

Singles

Yoga: Mon. 7 pm, rm 204
FOCUS: Tuesday, 6 p.m. CLC 120
Line Dance: Thurs., 7–9 pm, Gym

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Christian Believer Class
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 202
Dr. Wender's Bible Study
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A

The Lectionary READINGS

May 19
Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
Romans 8:14-17
John 14:8-17

May 26
Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
Psalm 8
Romans 5:1-5
John 16:12-15

Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

I am convinced that the church is strongest when it is working beyond its walls. Surely, we need to prepare and build for missions. But, what nonsense to build an army and then sit down!

“Imagine No Malaria” asks us to turn our hearts toward the people of Africa – mostly the poorest and most vulnerable among them. This is a campaign to work throughout Africa to stop malaria and the drain it places on people, communities and even nations.

Years ago, “Nothing But Nets” set out to provide mosquito netting for people’s beds. The result of this simple program was to cut the death rate from malaria in African in half: from one life lost every 30 seconds down to one life lost every 60 seconds. That progress was something for which we can be proud, and yet there is clearly more to do.

The great thing about combatting malaria is that we as nations and people know how to approach this. Provide health care for those infected, dry up standing water where mosquitos breed, spray to reduce mosquito populations. Nations across Africa will be offered the chance to join this fight to end malaria.

One area where we have a personal connection is South Sudan, where Holston Conference has missionaries. On a recent trip to the mission station there, someone asked the local people about their experience with malaria. All knew someone who had malaria; all knew of someone who had died; almost all had a family member who had died. This disease is up close and personal. We must join the effort.

This Sunday at Church Street, we will take a special offering for “Imagine No Malaria.” This offering is the one we take to annual conference. I hope some will join Celia and me in making a \$1,000 gift. Each \$1,000 gift will be matched by the Holston Conference Foundation, doubling our gift.

Hands-On Mission Kit Collection Begins Sunday

Reminder: The hands-on mission food bucket collection starts this Sunday, May 19. Completed buckets should be delivered to the church during the Sunday school hour on May 19 and May 26 in the lower CLC 13 (at the west end of the church, in the parking lot at the corner of Poplar Street and W Hill Ave).

We still need your help. Church Street has committed to filling 75 buckets this year, and only half of them have been taken! If you have not already picked up your bucket, they will still be available in the breezeway on Sunday, and can be turned in the following week. Or, in lieu of filling a bucket, you may donate \$35 to cover the cost of one food bucket, and volunteers will purchase the items for you. Make checks payable to Church Street UMC, memo “Hands-On Mission.”

Domestic Violence Helpline
(865) 521-6336

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.

CHILDREN'S news

Save the date for Camp Hogwarts coming later this summer. Hogwarts will be accepting students for classes on August 6 & 7. Watch for registration information coming soon!

PRESCHOOL news

The Church Street Preschool would like to thank Camille Smith for her donation of gently loved toys. If you'd like to help, the preschool is always grateful for donations of art/craft supplies, dress-up clothes, including Halloween costumes, and scratch paper.

SHARING SHOP news

The Sharing Shop continues to be an active ministry of our church. It thrives thanks to your generous gifts of both time and donations. The Sharing Shop has the following urgent needs.

- shampoo
- conditioner
- deodorant
- tampons/sanitary napkins
- razors
- shaving cream
- soap
- toothpaste

You can help by purchasing these items and bringing them to the church office or to the shop on the days it is open (second and fourth Mondays of each month). Thank you for continuing to support the Sharing Shop!

YOUTH news

Congratulations to Hannah Gamble who received the Carrie Ellis Memorial Scholarship and to David Maulick who received the Rasnake Memorial Scholarship.

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:

UT: Carol Proaps

Fort Sanders: Doris Horner

Tennova: Betty Sterchi

Parkwest: George Smith

Home from the Hospital: James Lawell, William Tugwell, Sylvia Kotas

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	813
Sunday School	409
Weekday Worship Services	87

Our Gifts

Received toward budget	\$38,660.06
Other	\$5,407.14
Hunger Helper	\$197.50

Altar Flowers for Sunday, May 19

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Ruth Brooks by Jack, Elaine, Jon and grandson David Vargas.

Cheer on the Church Street Softball Team

Each Monday night, the Church Street softball team gathers at Caswell Park to participate in the City of Knoxville's Softball League. They'd love to have you come out and cheer them on! The schedule for the remaining games is below. The team plays on Field #2.

Monday, May 20 - 6 p.m.

Monday, May 27 - No Game/

Memorial Day Holiday

Monday, June 6 - 8 p.m.

CSUMC: "A Beacon—Living Christ, Teaching Christ, Offering Christ"

Our Church Family

Baptisms:

- **Katherine Josephine Frances Connolly**, daughter of Nicholas & Angela Connolly was baptized on Sunday, May 12 at the 8:30 a.m. service.

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- **Rev. Darryll Rasnake**
Kay Center: Anonymous
- **Harlan Richards**
Kay Center: Anonymous

Memorials

In Memory of:

- **Scott Collins**
Soup Kitchen: Judith Myers
Soup Kitchen: Joan & John Scott
Soup Kitchen: Frank & Elaine Ralston
Benevolence Fund: Frank & Elaine Ralston
Soup Kitchen: Gene & Sandra Flinter
Soup Kitchen: Sue Hung
Music Ministry: Verna McLain & Herman Sain
Memorial: Turan & Bonnie Ozdil
Soup Kitchen: Scott & Janet Tarver
Memorial: Bill & Pat McClure
Memorial: Mr. & Mrs. Willis P. Sturdivant, Jr.
Memorial: Green Commercial Realty
Soup Kitchen: Larry & Loretta Best
Memorial: Jo Webb
Soup Kitchen: Mary Cartwright & Bill Stoess
Soup Kitchen: Larry & Pat Winters
Memorial: Lynne Taylor
Soup Kitchen: Sayuri Egami
Memorial: Dottie Thompson
Memorial: Juanita, Terry & Austin Cowles
Memorial: Philip Russ & Associates
Memorial: Mrs. Joanna Montgomery, Miss Nancy Montgomery
Memorial: David & Betty Craig
Memorial: David & Nancy Goodson
Soup Kitchen: James & Nancy Wright
Soup Kitchen: Mildred Weeks
Soup Kitchen: Joan Davis
Memorial: Mary Lawson
Memorial: Co-workers from Site Services Grp., ORNL
Soup Kitchen: Jim & Lyla Bohems
Wesley House Building Fund: Janice & Hugh Hixson
- **Fred Shofner**
Soup Kitchen: Sue Hung
- **Ruth Walker**
Music Ministry: Verna McLain & Herman Sain

Contact Us

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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

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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
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
Food Services	–273
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



"May God give you heaven's dew and earth's richness"

Genesis 27:28, NIV