

Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, June 2

2nd Sunday After Pentecost

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Nave

Rev. Andy Ferguson

Monday, June 3

Community Worship

Rev. Darryll Rasnake

Community Worship
Hospitality Hosts

June 3: Parables

June 10: Partners

June 17: Cornerstone

Wednesday, June 5

Midweek

Worship & Communion

12 noon - Chapel

Rev. Sarah Varnell

Please note: there will be no lunch
following the service.

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 3 at noon.**

Register Now for VBS

Questions about VBS at Church Street? Check out some of the top questions and answers below.

1. When is VBS?

-June 17-20 from 9:15 a.m. - noon

2. Who can attend?

-Children who are three years of age (as of Jan. 1, 2013) through those completing 5th grade.

3. What is this year's theme?

-Everywhere Fun Fair! This theme focuses on learning to be a good neighbor to everyone and that God's love welcomes everyone.

4. How do I register my child?

-Log on to www.churchstreetumc.org to complete the registration form.

5. Is there a fee for attending VBS?

-No, VBS is funded through the annual Children's Ministry Budget.

6. Will there be a closing event?

-Yes, there will be a closing celebration, including dinner and games on Thursday, June 20 at 5:30 p.m.

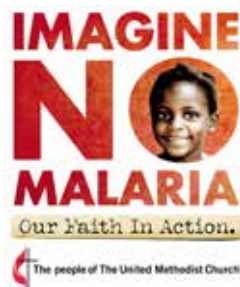
7. Can I still volunteer to help?

-Absolutely! To volunteer contact Sue Isbell at 521-0282 or e-mail sisbell@churchstreetumc.org.



Fundraising Update

For many months Church Street has been working to raise more than \$26,000 for Imagine No Malaria, a Holston Conference-wide initiative to eliminate deaths from malaria in Africa. Our children's department raised more than \$2,000 at a luncheon, our youth raised more than \$1,000 with their change wars, and the UMW brought in over \$1,200 with the Mother's Day Bake Sale. Our special offering on Sunday, May 19 collected close to \$7,000, in addition to numerous individual gifts given since the start of 2013. All together we have surpassed our goal. But the fundraising isn't over for the conference. If you would like to contribute you may do so at the church website.



Job Opening at The Kay Center

The Kay Senior Care Center is hiring for a part time activity assistant, Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., \$9/hr. We are a licensed adult daycare, primarily providing care for seniors with dementia. The PT assistant will help with activities, lunch, and activities of daily living. High school diploma or equivalent, background check required. Must have the desire to work with older adults, patience, and understanding. Applications accepted through May 31st. Call 521-0289 for more information. Applications can be picked up in the church office.

Confirmation Class Makes a Difference

Even though our Confirmation Class is over and we had 13 students confirmed, the class is still making a difference in the lives of others. In the past weeks, 72 pounds of food was delivered to Second Harvest Food Bank and \$380 was sent to Heifer Project International from this year's class. This was a part of their "mission and ministry" module that emphasizes that every person, no matter what age, is in ministry and can make a difference in people's lives. These two service projects, one local and one international, were picked by the class members. Thank you Confirmation Class for putting your membership of vows, prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness into action!



Join the Father's Day Honor Roll

It's time to join the Kay Center Honor Roll and honor your father by making a donation to the Kay Senior Care Center Scholarship Fund. Visit the tables in the breezeway on Sunday, June 2 and Sunday, June 9. Donations should be made to Church Street UMC, memo: KSCC-Scholarship Fund. You may also donate online at www.churchstreetumc.org.

Since 1992 this scholarship fund has allowed participants who otherwise are unable to afford the daily fee, to attend the center or attend the center more days per week.

Save the Date

Camp Hogwarts
August 6-7

Register now at
www.churchstreetumc.org

Church Street UMC Calendar: June 2-9

Worship

Morning Worship
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice! TV Broadcast
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)
Sunday, 10 am (WVLT2)
Midweek Communion Service
Wed., noon, Chapel

Sunday School—9:40 AM



Meetings & Ministry

Hunger Helper Market
Sunday, 8-noon, Breezeway
Parish Hall Renovation Comm.
Sunday, 12:30 pm, rm 118
Stephen Ministry
Sunday, 1:30 pm, rm 201-A
Trustees Committee
Tuesday, 5:30 pm, rm 202
Stewardship Committee
Tuesday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Worship Committee
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Properties Committee
Wed., 5:30 pm, rm 202
Lay Leadership Committee
Wed., 5:30 pm, CLC 122
Singles Ministry Council
Wed., 6 pm, CLC 120
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Bridge
Monday, CLC 120
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

Singles

Yoga: Mon. 7 pm, rm 204
Line Dance: Thurs., 7-9 pm, Gym
Friday Fun Night
Friday, 7 pm, Gym/CLC

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A

The Lectionary READINGS

June 2
1 Kings 18:20-39
Psalm 96
Galatians 1:1-12
Luke 7:1-10

June 9
1 Kings 17:8-24
Psalm 146
Galatians 1:11-24
Luke 7:11-17

Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

Two events this past week have gotten me thinking. The first was the funeral for one of our members, a veteran, Ron Lynch. (That he was my age added to my focus.) The second event was Memorial Day. Stories in the newspaper added details about soldiers and the sacrifices they made in service to this nation.

I tried to list all the wars and conflicts just during my lifetime: Korean War, Cold War, Vietnam War (the defining war for my generation), Gulf War, Iraq War, Afghanistan, the War on Terror, Sarajevo, Somalia, Libya during the Arab Spring and a number of more limited armed conflicts.

As I look back over my life, this nation has been involved in some kind of armed conflict more or less constantly. There is some doctrine based on the idea that the natural state of humankind is war; that distant doctrine rings more true with each passing year. Thus, this nation's constant participation in armed conflicts shapes us just as surely as the mountains and plains of this rich land shape us.

I expect that this nation will continue to be thrust into armed conflicts around the world. I expect that we will want to fight those wars in faraway places; Lord knows, we do not want open fighting in the American homeland. I expect that terrorism will be a constant part of our experience as long as any of us live. Thus, the President may close Guantanamo, but this nation will need a prison for war prisoners somewhere. I expect that we will always owe a debt of gratitude to those who step forward to defend this nation by serving in our military. This is, in my view, the context of our lives

This context of constant conflict shapes our understanding and expectation of peace and war. Because of the constancy of armed conflict, we are much more a people of the Old Testament than the New. Jesus' call to "turn the other cheek," will always live in balance with the call to take up arms. Jesus' call to pray for our enemies will always live in conflict with the need to convince our enemies that this nation is a formidable warrior. And, peace will always be experienced as rest for the war-weary, not the early coming of the Kingdom of God.

This context stands as evidence that this nation needs the Christian vision of peace. We offer to the world a hope that God brings a day when we will study war no more, when "The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them (Isaiah 11:6). When the world loses the conviction that there is anything else, we who follow Christ must remind it that our God has a better day coming.



Learn More About the Dead Sea Scrolls During the Summer Elective Series

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 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. Dr. Phillip Sherman is Assistant Professor of Religion at Maryville College and a member of Church Street.

The summer elective series will continue on July 7 with Grant Standefer, Executive Director of Compassion Coalition to 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.

Domestic Violence Helpline
(865) 521-6336

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: John Dunlap

Tennova: Betty Sterchi

Parkwest: David Harmer

Home from the Hospital: Verna McLain, Doris Horner

Christian Sympathy To:

Wayne Davis on the death of his father Frank Davis on May 21.

Pat Christopher on the death of her father, Andrew Tom Grayson on May 24.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	529
Sunday School	304
Weekday Worship Services	85

Our Gifts

Received toward budget	\$ 18,557.04
Other	\$ 6,915.83
Hunger Helper	\$219.80

Altar Flowers for Sunday, June 2

The Chapel Altar flowers are given in honor of Reverend Sarah Varnell by Gail Redding and Missy Taylor.

The Chancel Altar flowers are given in loving memory of David & Pearl Hung by the family.

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

Did You Know?

Each week you can find copies of The Messenger in the racks outside the Nave and in the Welcome Center in the CLC. You will also find the most recent issue of our monthly publication, The Mountain, there as well. If you need a printed copy of The Messenger to be mailed to you, please contact the church office at 524-3048.

Memorials

In Memory of:

- **Scott Collins**
Memorial: Mazel Andrews
Memorial: McCarty Holsaple McCarty Architects
Memorial: Ann Marie Tugwell & Family
Memorial: Anonymous
Traveling Missions: Larry & Jane Martin
Soup Kitchen: Ronald Schaefer
Soup Kitchen: Marie Brabson
Memorial: Charles Robinette
Soup Kitchen: Bill & Sandra Roberts
- **Marjorie Lloyd**
Wesley House Capital Campaign: UMW
- **Ronald Lynch**
Memorial: Robert & Amy Cathey
- **Ruth Vance Walker**
Wesley House Capital Campaign: Hugh & Janice Hixson
- **Reuben Hunter**
Memorial: Anonymous
- **John Horton**
Master Arts: Jim & Mary Jane Rogers

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- **Darryll Rasnake**
Imagine No Malaria: UMW
- **Shirley Stanberry**
Master Arts: Jim & Mary Jane Rogers
- **Dan Kelley**
Soup Kitchen: Murphy Builders
- **Doug Spencer**
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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

Church Street Softball Team Wraps Up Season

Since early April, the Church Street softball team has been playing in the City of Knoxville Softball league each Monday night at Caswell Park. The team's final game is Monday, June 3 at 8 p.m. The team plays at field 2 and they'd love to have you come cheer them on as they wrap up their season!