



# THE MESSENGER

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## Worship OPPORTUNITIES

**Sunday, January 12**

*1st Sunday after Epiphany*

### Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Nave

Rev. Andy Ferguson

**Monday, January 13**

### Community Worship

6 PM – Chapel

Rev. Darryll Rasnake

Upcoming Community Worship  
Hospitality Hosts

January 13: Explorers

January 20: No Service (Holiday)

January 27: Followers

**Wednesday, January 15**

### Midweek

### Worship & Communion

12 noon - Room 204

Rev. Ashley Helton

Lunch will be served afterwards in  
Parish Hall. Call 524-3048 to make  
reservations.

## Sunday Supper

**5-5:45 PM in Parish Hall**

\$6.50 (12 & up) • \$3.50 (children)

Sunday, January 12

See full menu at right

### Reservations Required

Family maximum \$20. 50 cent discount per  
person if paid in advance.

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

*Master Arts Series  
Presents*

THE CORNELL UNIVERSITY GLEE CLUB  
WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

MEN'S CHORALE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

7:30 P.M. IN THE NAVE

FREE ADMISSION

## Worship Changes for January

Due to floor refinishing work in the Nave, we will hold Sunday morning worship in the gym on Sundays, January 19, 26, and February 2. In addition, Wednesday Noon Communion services will be held in room 204.

## Make Peace With Your Money in 2014

Plan to attend Financial Peace University (FPU) this coming year. **Orientations for FPU will be held at 4 p.m. on Sundays, January 26 and February 9, in room 202.** Cost for the 13-week course on how to budget, reduce debt, invest and more is only \$75 for Church Street members and \$100 for non-members.

**Questions?** Contact J.R. Hertwig at 384-7049 or by email at [jrhertwig01@yahoo.com](mailto:jrhertwig01@yahoo.com) or visit the FPU website at: [www.daveramsey.com/fpu](http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu).

## Discover Church Street

If you have been visiting Church Street or have recently joined, you are invited to the next *Discover Church Street* class on **Sunday, January 26, from 4-7 p.m.**, in CLC 120. *Discover Church Street* is a great opportunity to get to know the pastoral staff, learn more about the mission and ministry of Church Street and the major beliefs/practices of The United Methodist Church. If you are interested in attending or have more questions, please contact Rick Isbell, Minister of Discipleship at 521-0266 or [risbell@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:risbell@churchstreetumc.org).

## Sunday Supper Menu

Clam Chowder  
Grilled Tuna Steak  
Seasoned Rice  
Fresh Vegetable

Homemade Corn Muffins  
Green Salad with dressings  
Dessert: Jamaican Coconut Pie

## 2014 Leadership Retreat

Every year the Program Council hosts an off-site planning retreat for all church leaders in early January. The purpose of the retreat is to review our past year ministries as we plan for the current year, as well as do some long-term planning and visioning. It's also a great time to get to know the other leaders and staff who serve Church Street. New committee chairpersons and leaders should arrive at 9 a.m. for a brief orientation session. All returning committee chairpersons, leaders, and staff should arrive by 9:30 a.m. to begin our work together. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided and the retreat will conclude by 2 p.m. with a service of worship and Holy Communion. This year's retreat will be at the CDF Haley Farm in Clinton, Tennessee, approximately 20 miles north of Knoxville. **Directions to the Haley Farm:** Take I-75N to exit 122. Turn West (left) onto SR61. At the second traffic light (.7 miles), turn left onto Frank Diggs Road for 300 feet and then right onto Sinking Springs Road. The entrance to the Haley Farm is approximately 300 feet on the left. Then follow the signs for the Church Street Retreat.

## Prayer Group Begins Soon

A new, short-term contemplative prayer group will meet Sundays during Epiphany at 4 p.m., starting January 19, in room 201-C. Participants will reflect each week on Henri Nouwen's writings in the book, *Here and Now*. Also, four types of contemplative prayer will be practiced. The hope is that each participant will discover greater connection between their prayer life and their interactions with others and their service in the world as well as a deepening of relationship with God and others.

Nouwen writes: "The great paradox of the spiritual life is, indeed, that the most personal is universal, that the most intimate is most communal, and the most contemplative is most active." Such a statement should provoke questions and provide interesting stepping off points for discussion.

Consider joining this group to warm and deepen your spiritual journey during the cold months of winter. Cost is \$12-15 each for the book. For further questions or to register, contact Laura Shearer at 865-805-8929. Participation is limited, so call today.

## Church Street UMC Calendar: January 12-18

### Worship

Morning Worship  
Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave  
*Rejoice!* TV Broadcast  
Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)  
Sunday, 10 am (WVLT2)  
Community Worship  
Monday, 6pm, Chapel  
Midweek Communion Service  
Wednesday, noon, Chapel

### Sunday School—9:40 AM

### Music

Youth Choir  
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 306  
Primary Choir (1st–2nd grades)  
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 308  
Chorister Choir (3rd–5th grades)  
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 306  
Adult Handbell Rehearsal  
Sunday, 6 pm, rm 306  
Master Arts Concert  
Tuesday, 7:30 pm, Nave  
Adult Choir Rehearsal  
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 306

### Singles

Lunch Bunch: Sunday, 12:15 pm, offsite  
Line Dance: Thurs., 7–9 pm, Gym

### Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Sunday Supper  
Sunday, 5 pm, Parish Hall  
BodyWorks  
Mon. & Thurs., 5:30 pm, Gym  
Bridge  
Monday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120  
Yoga  
Monday, 7 pm, rm 204  
Young Men's Basketball  
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym  
Men's Basketball  
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

### Personal & Spiritual Growth

Disciple 3 Bible Study  
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 118  
Dr. Wender's Bible Study  
Sunday, 4 pm, rm 204  
Women's Bible Study  
Wed., 9 am, rm 201-A  
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)  
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A

### Meetings & Ministry

Grief Support Group  
Sunday, 2 pm, rm 201-A  
Benevolence Team  
Monday, noon, CLC 124  
Board of Trustees  
Wednesday, 5:30 pm, rm 202  
Soup Kitchen  
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall  
Staff-Parish Relations  
Thursday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A

### Children

Open Gym  
Sunday, 4 pm, Gym  
God's Gang & Twizzlers  
Sunday, 4:30 pm, Gym

### UMW

Circle #10  
Tues., 10 am, CLC 14  
Circle #4  
Tues., 10 am, rm 103  
Circle #7  
Tues., 10 am, rm 204  
General Meeting & Lunch  
Tues., 11 am, Parish Hall  
Circle #8  
Tues., 1:15 pm, rm 204

### Youth

NightLife  
Sunday, 5:15 pm, Lower CLC  
Girls Basketball  
Sunday, 7 pm, Gym  
Monday, 6:30 pm, Gym  
Middle School Girls Bible Study  
Wed., 5:45 pm, Lower CLC  
Band Practice  
Wed., 6:45 pm, CLC 15

### The Lectionary READINGS

**January 12**  
Isaiah 42:1-9  
Psalm 29  
Acts 10:34-43  
Matthew 3:13-17

**January 19**  
Isaiah 49:1-7  
Psalm 40:1-11  
1 Corinthians 1:1-9  
John 1:29-42

## Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

Recently, Church Street renewed the contract with WVLT to broadcast Rejoice!, our Sunday morning devotional program, throughout the coming year. I rejoice that we are reaching out to the television viewing audience each Sunday morning with the message of Christ. Each broadcast announces our intention to go to people wherever they are (at home in front of the TV). The alternative would be to stay behind the doors of the church and wait for the world to come to us.

Weekly, I hear people tell me that they watch Rejoice!, and it means a lot to them. For some, members, often not in good health, it is their way to stay connected to Church Street. Over my years here, a few people have found the church because they found Rejoice! first. We have a non-Church Street following, too. Interestingly, several have identified themselves as Sunday School teachers, watching as they get ready on Sunday morning. In addition, there have been a few pastors; one told me that he took my opening story to use in his own sermon. Sounds risky to me, but he was grateful.

This particular contract renewal with the television station was noteworthy in an unexpected way. As you know, the 2014 budget is not yet approved by the Church Council. That will happen, I hope, at the January meeting. Thus, we operate under a continuing resolution at 2013 levels until that vote. Well, the new contract with the television station included an increase; the deadline for signing was upon us. We took the question to the Finance Committee: Should we go ahead with this increased contract or risk letting the Rejoice! ministry go? This has grown in 2014 to a \$75,000 item in our budget; it is not a small item. Well, the Finance Committee did not flinch; they approved and then directed our Church Business Administrator to complete the contract. (In contrast, they sweat bullets over far smaller items on their agenda that same night.)

In addition to this support from the Finance Committee, I am grateful for some special gifts this year and in earlier years which have been directed to the Rejoice! television ministry. These generous gifts have provided the leadership to continue this work.

One other Rejoice! possibility occurred in the last month. We asked WVLT to come to the church for the Parish Adult Choir's Christmas music presentation on the 3rd Sunday of December. Did you see it? I think it was shown as many as five times from Dec. 22 through Christmas Day. Should we do that again? Or, should we change our format to do all our recordings in a real Sunday morning service? The way we worship each Sunday is our trademark. Imagine the possibilities.

Rejoice! continues. If I can't see you in church each Sunday morning, I hope to see you on the television.

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## UMW Welcomes Anita Henderlight

Join us for the first general meeting of 2014 on Tuesday, January 14, at 11 a.m. in the Chapel. Anita Henderlight will join us once again to speak of Africa ELI. For those who have never met Anita, you will enjoy her enthusiasm as she tells the story of the people she joyfully serves. Lunch will follow in Parish Hall. Please contact your Circle leader by Thursday, January 9, to make your lunch reservation.

Reminder: We will be collecting used flower vases to donate to Random Acts of Flowers. Please bring them to the meeting or the church office on or before January 14.

## Our Church Family

### Births:

- **Evelyn Seraphina Smith**, daughter of Lee & Carolyn Smith, was born on December 21. Maternal grandparents are David & Donna Walker.
- **Byron Ray Gill**, son of Ray & Rebecca Gill, was born on December 31. Maternal grandparents are Bob & Ann Cox.

### New Member:

- **Janine Travelstead** joined by transfer of membership from Washington Pike UMC in Knoxville on Sunday, January 5, at the 11 a.m. service.

### Altar Flowers for Sunday, January 12

The Chancel Altar flowers are given in memory of Rachel Nall Cochran by her five nieces and nephews: Vanda, Phillip, Gretchen, Paul and Andrea.

## WRITERS needed

Church Street is preparing a book of devotions to distribute during the Lenten season. We need writers to submit devotions for the publication. If you are interested in participating in the book, please e-mail Caroline Lamar at [clamar@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:clamar@churchstreetumc.org) to receive the writing guidelines.

## UMW news

Save the date for a church-wide variety show on Saturday, February 22, at 7 p.m. in Parish Hall. For more information about the event, or to participate, please see Pat Bellingrath.

## WNAF news

The next Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship is coming up on Wednesday, January 22, at 12:30 p.m. in Parish Hall. Our guest will be Dr. Bob Overholt and he will speak on Winter Allergies and Precautions. Lunch is \$6.50 per person. Reservations can be made by calling 524-3048 or e-mailing [reservations@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:reservations@churchstreetumc.org) by Tuesday, January 21.

## Stewardship

*We will be loyal to the United Methodist Church and support it with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness.*

### Our Prayers

#### Christian Sympathy to:

**Evelyn Kent** on the death of her niece, Delyse Dearmond, on January 1.

**The Family of Martha Madison** on her death on January 3.

**Richard Sloan** on the death of his father-in-law, Glenn Rapping, on January 4.

### Our Presence

Sunday Worship	683
Sunday School	437
Community Worship (12/30)	16

### In Memoriam

#### Martha Madison

Joined: 05/13/1984 Died: 01/03/2014

## Honorariums

### In Honor of:

- **Rev. Darryll Rasnake**  
*Beacon of Hope:* Frank & Elaine Ralston  
*Beacon of Hope:* LaNoka Rhodes  
*Beacon of Hope:* Richard & Brenda Ginn
- **CSUMC Clergy**  
*Benevolence Fund:* Al & LeaAnne Williams
- **Patty Winter**  
*Christmas Offering:* C. Proffitt
- **Murphy Builders Class**  
*Christmas Offering:* Susan Lane & Henry Russell
- **George, Jane & Susan Dominick**  
*Holston Home:* Marshall Dominick
- **Powell Richardson**  
*Accessibility Fund:* Edward & Valerie Nicholson  
*Accessibility Fund:* Jim & Becky Nicholson

## Memorials

### In Memory of:

- **O.C. & Eura Duncan, Jr.**  
*Christmas Offering:* Jim & Charlotte LaFevor
- **Marcia Henry**  
*Christmas Offering:* Barbara Shipley
- **Murphy Builders Class Members**  
*Christmas Offering:* Aileen & Henry Russell

## Memorials

### In Memory of:

- **Wilbur Warwick**  
*Altar Guild:* Mr. & Mrs. Jack Tapscott  
*Altar Guild:* Mrs. George Zirkle  
*Memorial:* Mr. & Mrs. Frank Addicks  
*Memorial:* Michael Crawford  
*Soup Kitchen:* Mary Jane & Jim Rogers  
*Memorial:* Jim & Barbara Langford
- **Mac Sprouse**  
*Memorial:* Mr. & Mrs. Jack Tapscott  
*Memorial:* Mrs. George Zirkle
- **Agnes Lay**  
*Memorial:* Tim Lay & Jaynemie Lentlid  
*Memorial:* Joe & Gail Lay  
*Memorial:* John & Sandra Butler  
*Memorial:* Karen McKinney
- **David Harris**  
*Memorial:* Mrs. George Zirkle
- **Lucian Trent**  
*Memorial:* Mrs. George Zirkle
- **Jim Hung**  
*Soup Kitchen:* May Huang  
*Rejoice:* Sue Hung
- **Esther Clinger**  
*Christmas Offering:* Caroline Fuller
- **Scott Collins**  
*Christmas Offering:* Barbara Collins  
*Soup Kitchen:* Jim & Barbara Langford
- **Taylor Collins**  
*Memorial:* Phyllis Driver
- **Kenneth Bloomer**  
*Library:* Barbara Collins
- **Ann Herron**  
*Christmas Offering:* Daniel Herron  
*Memorial:* Bill & Mary Wilson
- **Ouida Lowry**  
*Parish Hall Renovation:* Mary Louise Hooper  
*Memorial:* Dave & Betty Craig  
*Parish Hall Renovation:* Joe & Gail Lay  
*Parish Hall Renovation:* Tim Lay & Jaynemie Lentlid  
*Parish Hall Renovation:* Mimi & Eddie Steepleton  
*Parish Hall Renovation:* Dr. Beth Farris
- **Clifton & Maude Sweet**  
*Benevolence Fund:* Glenda Smith
- **Wallace & Lib Estill**  
*Children's Program:* Elizabeth Estill
- **Adam Duncan**  
*Missions:* Diane McCarn
- **John Horton**  
*Christmas Offering:* Nancy Horton
- **David Harris**  
*Christmas Offering:* Tom Doty
- **Mr. & Mrs. Ralph C. Hart**  
*Christmas Offering:* Tracy & Susan Thompson
- **Robert Lee Thompson**  
*Christmas Offering:* Tracy & Susan Thompson

## Contact Us

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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](http://www.churchstreetumc.org)  
Watch *Rejoice!* on our web site.  
Follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

## Staff Directory

### Dial 521-0 + extension

Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson–260
Associate Pastor	Darryll Rasnake–279
Associate Pastor	Ashley Helton–263
Associate Pastor	Nicole Krewson–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
Interim Youth Director	Jenny Darden–287
College Intern	Merry Reid Sheffer–548-7979
Preschool Director	Beth Libby–524-3511
Kay Center Director	Judith Winters–293
Kay Center	Kay Center Staff–289
Church Administrator	Kate Spencer–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	Mike Weatherly–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, Chris Graves



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