

THE TREET METHODIST MESSENGER HURCH MESSENGER

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7th Sunday after Epiphany

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM - Nave Rev. Ashley Helton

Monday, February 24 **Community Worship**

> 6 PM - Chapel Rev. Darryll Rasnake

Upcoming Community Worship Hospitality Hosts

> February 24: Crossroads March 3: Parables March 10: Youth

Wednesday, February 26 Midweek Worship & Communion

Noon - Chapel Rev. Ashley Helton Lunch is served after 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, February 23

Reservations Required Family maximum \$20.

Menu: Grilled White Fish, Seasoned Rice, Vegetables, Cornbread, Garden Salad, Baked Apple Dumpling

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

Master Arts Series

Music (Among Friends - The Divine Mystery

Join us on Sunday, February 23, at 3 p.m. in the Nave for the next Master Arts Series Concert. The one-hour program will include Jami Rogers Anderson, soprano, along with Kevin Anderson, tenor, accompanied by Donald Trentham and Carol Zinavage, pianists. Works by Maurice Rave, Benjamin Britten, Ned Rorem, Oliver Messiaen and Franz Schubert. The Andersons are members of Church Street and are now retired from extensive performance careers in singing. Don Trentham is a member of the Church Street Choir and heads the music department at Johnson University. Carol Zinavage is principal keyboardist for the Knoxville Symphony.

Winter Carnival Kicks Off Lent

As we move quickly toward Lent our annual Winter Carnival/Mardi Gras celebration will take place in the gym on Sunday, March 2, from 4-4:45 p.m. Children will enjoy simple carnival games with crazy prizes, beads will be worn, and festive music will fill the gym as we enjoy one final afternoon of frivolity before the solemn days of Lent begin. Volunteers are needed to staff the games. If you can help, please contact Sue Isbell at 521-0282 or sisbell@ churchstreetumc.org.

At 4:45 p.m. we will move to the courtyard where our pastors will lead us in the burning of the palms from last year's Palm Sunday parade. The ashes from the palms will be used for our Ash Wednesday observance on March 5. Everyone, not just children, is invited to participate.

The festivities will continue at Sunday Supper in Parish Hall. After the meal, Ted Helms will share highlights of the January 2013 Church Street trip to the Holy Land. Please make dinner reservations through the church office by calling 524-3048 or e-mailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org.

CPR/AED Training To Be Held Next Week

Next week you will have the opportunity to attend CPR/AED (automated external defibrillator) training at Church Street. The training will be held on Thursday, February 27, from 6-9 p.m. in CLC 120. It will cover CPR for infants, children and adults. The cost is \$20 per person to be paid on the night of the class. Advanced reservations are required, so please contact the church office at 524-3048 by Monday, February 24, to sign up. Contact John Hollingsworth at 806-4477 with any questions.

Knitting Class

Carol Smith from the Service Circle will be offering a knitting class on Tuesday, February 25, from 1-3 p.m. You may want to bring size 8 needles and some cotton yarn to make your first project. She recommends a cotton yarn called "Sugar and Cream" that costs about \$2 a ball available at most craft stores. Come and learn something exciting and new with us!

Sunday School Class Changes

Several Sunday School classes have recently moved to new locations. The Partners Class has moved to CLC 123 in the Church Life Center. In addition, Parables Class has a new location, Room 118 across from the kitchen. For more information on Sunday School classes at Church Street you may pick up a brochure in the literature racks or in the church office.

Stephen Ministry -

Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11

Make Reservations Now for WNAF

On Wednesday, February 26, the elephants are coming to our Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship program in Parish Hall. Well, not literally, but we will get to hear about a special herd of elephants found in Hohenwald, TN. Todd Montgomery, education manager from the Elephant Sanctuary is giving a special presentation at the Knoxville Zoo and Church Street is fortunate to be able to schedule him to speak at WNAF.

The Elephant Sanctuary in Hohenwald is the nation's largest natural habitat refuge for endangered African and Asian elephants. It is a haven for old, sick or needy elephants. Come and hear Todd as he shares about this

special place where herds of elephants can be found. Please make your lunch reservations by e-mailing reservations@ churchstreetumc.org or by calling the church office at 524-3048 no later than Monday, Feb. 24. Cost is \$6.50 per person.



Church Street UMC Calendar: February 23 - March 1

Worship

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

Sunday School-9:40 AM

Music

Master Arts Concert
Sunday, 3 pm, Nave
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
Kinder Choir (ages 4 & 5)
Sunday, 5:15 pm, rm 212
Adult Handbell Rehearsal
Sunday, 6:15 pm, rm 306
Adult Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 306

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Sunday Supper Sunday, 5 pm, Parish Hall BodyWorks Monday., 5:30 pm, Gym Young Men's Basketball Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym Wednesday Lunch Wed., 12:30 pm, Parish Hall

Wed., 12:30 pm, Parish Hall Men's Basketball

Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym Tai Chi Class

Thurs., 12:30 pm, CLC 11 BodyWorks

Thurs., 5:30 pm, Gym

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Contemplative Prayer Group Sunday, 4 pm, rm 201-C 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

Renovation & Renewal Sunday, 12:15 pm, rm 201-A Financial Peace Sunday, 4 pm, rm 202 Benevolence Team

Monday, noon, CLC 124 Vision Committee Tuesday, 6:30 pm, rm 201-A

WNAF Wed., 12:30 pm, Parish Hall

Memorials Committee Thursday, 5:30 pm, rm 201-A

Soup Kitchen Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall CPR/AED Training

Thursday, 7 pm, CLC 120

UMW

Service Circle Tuesday, 9 am, Parish Hall

Youth

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

Singles

Line Dance: Thurs., 7–9 pm, Gym Game Night Friday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120

The Lectionary
READINGS

February 23
Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18
Psalm 119:33-40
1 Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23
Matthew 5:38-48

March 2 Exodus 24:12-18 Psalm 99 2 Peter 1:16-21 Matthew 17:1-9

Reflections

-Rev. Andy Ferguson

Last week, in *The Mountain*, I listed the priorities for the coming year. One priority in particular will take us outside our church to find and touch the lives of the needy not-so-far away. It occurred to me that we should think about our approach to the "them" of our new mission outreach.

The problem is that we have these great initiatives. They will help those people. The world will be a better place if those people will sign up and follow through with everything we have laid out. We are, after all, providing the money to make all this happen. We are also providing the initiative and the volunteer hours to offer these good things to them. The problem, first, is that we are "us" and



they are "them." We see ourselves as different, at a better place, with more to offer, with just more.

Years ago, I worked as a student chaplain in Central Prison in Raleigh, NC – part of our seminary experience. On the first day at the prison, the chaplain asked us, "What makes you different from the people locked up here?" He went on to point out that there were virtually no rich people in that prison. Not that people with means never break a law; they just have the means to pursue other consequences. He pointed out that much of our situation is the luck of being born into the right families on the good side of town. In other words, bring humility when you come. "There, but by the grace of God, go I."

Secondly, we must be intentional about our approach. The temptation is to stand, as it were, with hands on hips pointing to the right answer – if they will only get it. Maybe we should speak louder; then they could surely get it. Or maybe we should punish the stubborn. These approaches are not likely to help – either them or us.

I watched two of the little ones in our world offer a better approach this morning. One was in his high chair in Louisiana; the other filled my lap in Knoxville. Facetime provided the connection. The one far away began to sing the way pre-verbal babies do. The one in my lap joined the song; she got every word. From out across the internet, he spoke her language. Patiently, he sang as long as it took her to catch the note. Then, together they sang.

When we reach out to the needy in our care, we must learn to speak their language. We can walk along side until they catch the song for themselves. We can offer the teaching for as long as it takes. Very likely, we will both learn new ways to speaking and singing.

Helping others is not about our success; it is about theirs. It requires humility, patience and smarts. We can do this. We can, in the name of Christ, offer a cup of water to our thirsty neighbors.

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

KAY CENTER n e w s

It's time for Heels and Wheels 2014. The Kay Senior Care Center is participating the 2014 Wells Fargo Heels and Wheels Duathlon on Saturday, April 12, at Johnson University. It's an exciting event in which competitors raise money for local organizations, including the Kay Center. This is a fantastic fundraiser for the Kay Center. In 2013, we were able to raise close to \$4,000. This year we hope to raise even more. Consider joining the Kay Center team or sponsoring a competitor. Call Judith Winters at 521-0293 for more information.

SMALL GROUP n e w s

There's a new small group for men beginning soon. The group will meet biweekly with a day and time to be determined at a later date. The group of 12 will meet for 90 minutes at a time and focus on prayer, scripture, and more. If you are interested in joining this new small group, please contact Dave Craig at 558-5839 or craigdavid@bellsouth.net.

UMW n e w s

The next UMW Executive Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 4, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. We will begin at 9 a.m. in room 204 with a Social Media Workshop led by our Communications Director, Caroline Lamar. Then, at 10:45 a.m., we will hold our regular executive committee meeting. We hope to see you there!

CHILDREN'S n e w s

It's time to start thinking about summer camp! Holston Conference summer cap brochures are available in the children's and youth areas. Our local camp is Wesley Woods located in Townsend. For scholarship information, please see Sue Isbell. There is an early bird discount if you register by April 1.

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:

Fort Sanders: Dr. Robert Chapman

Home from the hospital:

Velma Howell

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	733
Sunday School	363
Community Worship (2/10)	35

Altar Flowers for Sunday, February 23

The Chancel Altar flowers are given by Shirley Stanberry in memory of her parents, Helen & Harvey Sharp.

The Chapel Altar flowers are given by Bob and Lora Jean Johnson in memory of their son, Jody Johnson and her parents Sam & Frances Hinton, and her sister, Nancy Hinton Lang.



Our Church Family

Baptisms:

- Benson Edward Treakle, son of Ross & Lawrie Treakle was baptized on Sujday, February 9, at the 8:30 a.m. service.
- Jack Devon Rosenberg, son of Grant & Allison Rosenberg, was baptized on Sunday, February 16, at the 11 a.m. service.

New Members:

• Caitlin Morris joined by transfer from First UMC in Oak Ridge, on Sunday, February 16, at the 11 a.m. service.

Wedding:

• John Welsch and Deborah Gross were married on Saturday, February 15, with Rev. Darryll Rasnake officiating.

Honorariums

In Honor of:

• Eliot Campbell Rasnake Benevolence: Nicole Krewson

Memorials

In Memory of:

Art Olson

Memorial: Dave & Betty Craig Memorial: Bill & Janie Dempster Memorial: Gentry, Tipton & McLemore PC

Memorial: Mary Boynton

• Wilbur Warwick

Memorial: Billy & Sandra Roberts Memorial: Valerie & Ed Nicholson

• Agnes Lay

Memorial: Valerie & Ed Nicholson

- Frederick Boynton

 Memorial: Jim & Mary Hawk
- Frances Price

Memorial: Directors, Officers and Employees of Home Federal Bank

Contact Us

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Staff Directory

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CareNotes Provided for Life's Situations

Everyone will go through life situations that are stressful, filled with anxiety or just plain difficult. The Congregational Care Committee is aware of those life situations and wants to help. In the hall outside the chapel there is a rack full of helpful literature dealing with difficult life situations called CareNotes. Whether it is a serious illness, death, grief, everyday stress, or anxiety, there are helpful tracts written in an easy to understand format. So the next time you need another perspective or some helpful words, pick up one of the CareNotes in the rack and know that we do care.



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