

Worship OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, May 25

6th Sunday of Easter

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Nave

Rev. Nicole Krewson

Monday, May 26

Community Worship

No Service - Holiday

Upcoming Community Worship
Hospitality Hosts

May 26: No Service - Memorial Day

June 2: Parables

June 9: No Service - Annual Conference

Wednesday, May 28

Midweek

Worship & Communion

Noon - Chapel

Rev. Ashley Helton

Lunch is served after in
Parish Hall. Call 524-3048 to make
reservations.

**New Pastor
On-Call
Number
865-320-9100**

Make A Reservation For WNAF

Please join us for the next Wednesday Noon Adult Fellowship on Wednesday, May 28, at 12:30 p.m. in Parish Hall. Our program will be presented by Krishna Adams from the Knoxville Museum of Art. Krishna is the Assistant Curator of Public Programs and has been employed at the KMA for nearly 17 years. She will share about the exhibits at the KMA, including the newly opened “Facets of Modern & Contemporary Glass.”

Lunch is \$7 per person. Please make meal reservations by Monday, May 26, by calling 524-3048 or e-mailing reservations@churchstreetumc.org.



Parish Adult Choir to Sing in Washington, DC

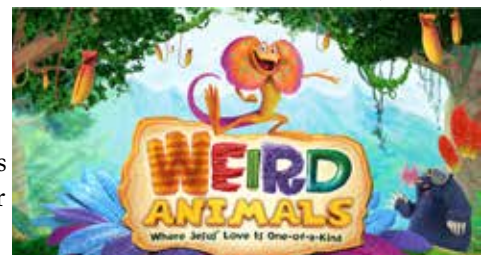
Later this week, the Parish Adult Choir will travel to Washington, DC, for a four-day trip. On Sunday, May 25, at 3:30 p.m. the choir will sing at the National Cathedral in Washington, DC, A Prelude to Evensong (25 minute a cappella program). You will be able to see updates from the trip on the church blog (located at www.churchstreetumc.org) and on Facebook & Twitter. Please keep the choir in your prayers as they travel to Washington to share their talents!

Dr. Sherman Leads Summer Elective Series

The Education Committee is pleased to announce that Dr. Phillip Sherman, Associate Professor of Religion at Maryville College will again lead our summer elective series for adult classes on June 15, 22 and 29, in Parish Hall during the Sunday School hour. This year Phillip will address an issue that faces our society as well as The United Methodist Church. His overall title to the series is “Theology, Sexuality & the Future of The United Methodist Church.” He will begin to address such questions as “what does theology have to do with human sexuality” and “how ought Christians, especially those within the broader Wesleyan tradition, respond to changing societal attitudes surrounding same-sex relationships?” The three week series will explore these basic questions and more in an open, honest and respectful manner.

Registration Continues for Vacation Bible School

Don't forget to register your kids (ages 4 – fifth grade) for this year's VBS to be held on June 16-19, from 9 a.m. - noon. Go to our church website, www.churchstreetumc.org, and click on News to find the registration form to sign your child up for this week of fun! Our theme for this year is Weirid Animals: Where Jesus' Love is One-of-a-kind. Be sure to mark your calendar for the closing celebration on Thursday, July 19!



Trip Planned To Fleming's Explorations in Antiquities Center in June

The Education Committee is sponsoring a trip to Dr. Jim Fleming's center in LaGrange, GA on Saturday, June 28. You will be responsible for your own travel and lodging at nearby motels (if staying over Friday or Saturday nights). Cost will begin at \$36/person for biblical meal, garden tour and ancient artifacts exhibit, children slightly less. If enough children sign up, there will be an archaeological dig for children for an additional \$10.

The day will begin at 11:30 a.m. with a full biblical meal (lunch) and continue into the afternoon with the garden tour and exhibits. We can expect to spend about a total of five hours at the center. If you are interested, please contact Rick or Sue Isbell for brochures, lodging information, etc.: risbell@churchstreetumc.org or sisbell@churchstreetumc.org. We hope to have one meeting prior to the trip. Deadline for registration is Sunday, June 22. If you would like see more go to www.explorationsinantiquity.com.

UMW Book Review

Please join us for the next UMW book review. We will gather in Cox Parlor on Wednesday, May 21, at 1:30 p.m. to hear Rev. Nicole Krewson review the book *Strong Was Her Faith* by J. Ellsworth Kalas. The book is listed in the UMW reading category of Spiritual Growth. We hope you will join us. All are welcome and you do not need to have read the book to participate.

Stock the Shelves For Beacon of Hope

The Beacon of Hope Food Co-Op will soon be serving families and individuals in the Vestal community. The members of the co-op will participate by paying a small membership fee. An approved member will then be ask to pay a small bi-weekly fee along with volunteering to assist in preparation and distribution.

To help stock the shelves, each week in the Messenger we will print a food list. This week's list is: Peanut Butter, Canned Tuna, Canned Chicken, SPAM, Saltine Crackers, Macaroni & Cheese. Please place the requested items in the large donation bin in the hallway outside the kitchen, across from room 118.

Youth End-Of-Year Party

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

Celia and I had 50 great teenagers, parents, and leaders over to the house last Sunday evening. As a result, we had a ball. The day was cool so the slip-n-slide would not work. Luckily, we were ready with cardboard and the grassy hill behind the house. It was all the party they needed! They sat, stood and surfed our hill all afternoon. Along with the cardboard, they spent time with the cornhole game, supper, smores and just talking together. Many thanks to the adults and youth who made sure this was a great event. Such an afternoon with these youth serves as a reminder that the youth of our church are great representatives of the whole church. Thank you to the parents and youth leaders who made this afternoon work so very well.



Church Street UMC Calendar: May 25 - 31

Worship

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

Sunday School—9:40 AM

The Church Office will be closed on Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Hunger Helper Market
Sunday, 8 am, Breezeway
Young Men's Basketball
Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym
WNAF & Lunch
Wed., 12:30 pm, Parish Hall
Men's Basketball
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym
BodyWorks
Thurs., 5:30 pm, Gym

Singles

Line Dance: Thurs., 7-9 pm, Gym

UMW

Service Circle
Tuesday, 9:30 am, Parish Hall

Personal & Spiritual Growth

Contemplative Prayer Group
Sunday, 5 pm, 201-C
Pastor's Bible Study (Ferguson)
Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 201-A

Music

Youth Choir Rehearsal
Wednesday, 6 pm, rm 306
Youth Choir Parents Meeting
Wednesday, 6 pm, rm 306

Meetings & Ministry

Finance Committee
Tuesday, 5:30 pm, rm 204
Church Council Dinner
Tuesday, 5:45 pm, Parish Hall
Church Council
Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Chapel
Renovation & Renewal
Wed., 5:30 pm, rm 201-A
Education Committee
Wednesday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120
Adult Council
Thursday, 6 pm, rm 202
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall

The Lectionary READINGS

May 25
Acts 17:22-31
Psalm 66:8-20
1 Peter 3:13-22
John 14:15-21

June 1
Acts 1:6-14
Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35
1 Peter 4:12-14, 5:6-11
John 17:1-11

Reflections

—Rev. Andy Ferguson

We are part of it. It only makes sense. If we are a university church, we should be all over this.

Recently, I traveled to Duke University, to the Divinity School, for Summer Field Work orientation. There I met our summer intern, Rachel Witt (pictured below). She has completed her first year of divinity school. This summer she will work as our Clergy Intern. It just happens that she is from Holston Conference and expects to return to Holston when she completes her M.Div. degree. It also happens that she grew up in Munsey Memorial United Methodist Church in Johnson City. We seem to have a very productive pipeline from Munsey Memorial; they send us very good people (Sarah Varnell, and Jenny Darden are recent examples). Rachel comes from good people. You will meet her on May 25.



What we are doing as a church is offering internships by which students gain important experience in their chosen fields. In Wednesday's USA Today, Mary Beth Marklein

wrote about the Gallup-Purdue Index which identifies the educational experiences which provide students the best preparation. One of the indicators of satisfactory outcomes is an internship. This is the point where this church is engaged. We are providing an internship for Rachel which will provide her hands-on education and professional connections in our annual conference.

The internships we offer are not limited to clergy interns. Scholarship singers are a necessary addition to our Sunday morning music. Their good voices anchor the sections of the choir. In addition, we have had interns in the financial office. Students in Child Development find needed experience teaching children in our Preschool.

Jenny Darden, who became Youth Director on Mother's Day, came to Church Street as Youth Intern. After several years, she was asked to serve as Interim Youth Director. Now, she has become our Youth Director.

One of the most gratifying "internships" was a young woman who came to work in the kitchen because she needed community service hours. While this was not exactly an academic internship, it was a learning opportunity for her after jail. She had served her time; the community service requirement was a way to teaching her a new direction. She worked out so well that we offered her a job when the community service ran out.

Through these internships, Church Street has been part of furthering the education of many promising students. They provide real help in the many ministries of the church, and we provide meaningful experience in their fields of study. This is something a university church can do.

Congratulations to Our Staff

We want to congratulate two Church Street staff members who recently graduated from the University of Tennessee. Judith Winters, director of the Kay Center, graduated with a Master's in Social Work and our youth director, Jenny Darden, graduated with a Master of Music in Choral Conducting.

We also want to thank our college intern Merry-Reid Sheffer for her three years of service at Church Street. She is leaving Knoxville to pursue a new opportunity in Nashville and we wish her the best of luck! Thank you for your hard work on behalf of our CollegeLife program.

SHARING s h o p

The CSUMC and the Beacon of Hope Sharing Shops continue to serve many customers and we are extremely grateful for the support of the congregation. We also continue to form and nurture relationships with those we are serving, and we are blessed by this opportunity to be in mission. Going to bed truly hungry, taking rolls of toilet paper from a public facility because you have no money to buy them, or being without shoes are things that most of us cannot begin to imagine. Loving those who need us the most, sharing God's grace with those who desire to understand it, and being in mission with our brothers and sisters in Christ drive us to be good stewards of your donations and to be responsible and committed to those we serve. We thank you so very, very much for your donations and want you to know that these donations are making a difference in more ways than you can imagine.

Here is a list of some current needs and these may be placed in the wooden box in the hallway outside the kitchen. Thank you again for all you do and for all you share.

- used magazines
- used Upper Room devotion books
- sunscreen
- toilet paper
- children's books
- men's tennis shoes

Reminder

All hands-on mission buckets need to be returned to the church on Sunday, May 25 or Sunday, June 1, in room CLC 13.

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: Donnie Flenniken

Ft. Sanders: Don Penland

Home From the hospital: Lorraine Rajkowski to NHC Highland Ave.

Christian Sympathy:

To the family of Vieve Bowmaster on her death on April 28.

To the family of Mary Boynton on her death on May 14.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship	658
Sunday School	383

Our Gifts

Contributions toward budget	\$169,930.08
Other	\$6,608.17
Hunger Helper	\$241.26

In Memoriam

Vieve Bowmaster

Joined: 03/31/1958 Died: 04/28/2014

In Memoriam

Mary Boynton

Joined: 08/22/1965 Died: 05/14/2014

Altar Flowers for Sunday, May 25

The Chancel Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Dr. Lucian Trent by his family.

Sermon Scripture

Sunday, May 25

Acts 8:1-25

Sunday, June 1

Acts 1:1-11

Our Church Family

Baptism:

- **Fisher Tenzin Taylor and Faith Victoria Taylor**, children of Richard & Sandra Taylor, were baptized on Sunday, May 18, at the 11 a.m. service.

New Members:

- **Jenny Darden** joined by transfer of membership from Munsey Memorial UMC in Johnson City, TN, on Sunday, May 18, at the 8:30 a.m. service.
- **Eric Evers** joined by transfer of membership from Tenn. Valley Unitarian Universalists Church in Knoxville, on Sunday, May 18, at the 11 a.m. service.
- **Jeff & Marilyn Cheek** joined by transfer of membership from First UMC in Gainesville, FL, on Sunday, May 18, at the 11 a.m. service.

Wedding:

- **Brooke Batchelor & Sean McIntosh** were married on Saturday, May 10, in Cincinnati, OH.

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- **Rev. Darryll Rasnake**
Soup Kitchen: Frank & Elaine Ralston
Beacon of Hope: Frank & Elaine Ralston
- **Ann Warwick**
Altar Guild: Mildred Weeks
- **Pat Hunter**
Soup Kitchen: Jim & Lyla Boehms
- **Elaine Ralston**
Soup Kitchen: Jim & Lyla Boehms
- **Tommye Jordan**
Soup Kitchen: Jim & Lyla Boehms
- **Jaime & Eric Schmittou**
Soup Kitchen: Jim & Lyla Boehms

Memorials

In Memory of:

- **Sarah Garrett**
Pastor's Discretionary Fund: Ann Warwick
Pastor's Discretionary Fund: Dave & Betty Craig
Pastor's Discretionary Fund: Mr. & Mrs. James A. Haslam, II
Pastor's Discretionary Fund: D. Warren & Katherine Tarwater Smith
- **Kate & Dwight Wade**
Kay Center: Dr. Dwight Wade, Jr.
- **Mary Boynton**
Memorial: Dave & Betty Craig

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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
Youth Director	Jenny Darden–287
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	Brandon Amburn–274
Custodians:	Matt Newberry, Nita O'Dell, Joe Holmes
Beacon of Hope	Richard Ginn 599-5047



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