

THE MESSENGER

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Sunday, June 8

Pentecost

Worship Times

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM – Nave Rev. Darryll Rasnake

Monday, June 9 **No Community Worship**

Upcoming Community Worship Hospitality Hosts

June 9: No Service -Annual Conference June 16: Partners June 23: Cornerstone

Wednesday, June 11

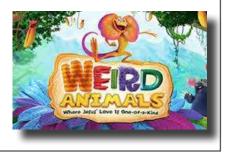
Midweek

Worship & Communion

No Service Due to Annual Conference

VBS Registration

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.



Annual Conference Begins This Sunday



Please remember that our Holston Annual Conference begins this Sunday afternoon at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina. Annual Conference is a yearly gathering of both clergy and laity representatives from all of the churches of the Holston area. This year's theme is "Always" based on Hebrews 13:8: Jesus

Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Holy conferencing is both for spiritual renewal and to conduct the business of the conference. Highlights include ministry area reports, the mission offering and blessing the hands-on mission kits, the memorial service and clergy retirement service. At the close of conference, new pastors are ordained or commissioned and Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor will set the clergy appointments for 2014-15. Please be in prayer for the Annual Conference and our laity and clergy.

As a reminder, all of the clergy will be at Annual Conference from Sunday through Thursday. If an immediate pastoral concern arises, please contact the main church office during regular business hours or use the new clergy on-call number 320-9100. You may need to leave a message with the on-call number as cellphones do not always reliably work at the lake.

Summer Elective Series Begins June 15

Dr. Phillip Sherman, Associate Professor of Religion at Maryville College will 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." What does theology have to do with human sexuality? How ought Christians, especially those within the broader Wesleyan tradition, respond to changing societal attitudes surrounding same-sex relationships? What role does Scripture play in these conversations? How do other sources of knowledge inform the teaching of the Church? This three-week series will explore these basic questions in an open, honest and respectful manner.

- June 15: (In)compatible with Christian Teaching?: The United Methodist Church and the Question of Homosexuality
- June 22: Sexuality and the Bible
- June 29: Science, Sexuality, and Theology

Reception for Rev. Darryll Rasnake

Rev. Darryll Rasnake will soon complete his ministry at Church Street and receive a new appointment at Annual Conference. His last Sunday will be June 8. On that day, he will preach at both morning services. We will have the opportunity to greet him at a reception in Parish Hall immediately following the 11 a.m. service. Members of the congregation who want to contribute to a gift to honor him can do so by bringing a check to the church office or placing a gift in the offering plate marked for Rev. Rasnake Gift.

Confirmation Missions/Service Final Totals

This year's Confirmation Class along with their parents were in mission and ministry through various service projects over their eight month experience. While the May edition of *The Mountain* gave you some preliminary figures, the final totals are now in. We give thanks for these 6th graders and their parents being in mission on local, regional and international levels.

- · 95 hours of labor painting at Wesley House
- · \$641 contributed to Heifer Project International
- · 149 lbs. of food donated to Second Harvest Food Bank

Spots Still Available For Trip to Fleming's Exploration in Antiquities Center

There are now more than 20 people who have signed up to go to Dr. Jim Fleming's center in LaGrange, GA on Saturday, June 28. There is still room for you! This trip, sponsored by the Education Committee and hosted by Rick & Sue Isbell, will feature a full biblical meal, tour of their expanded biblical gardens and a visit to their brand new exhibit with authentic artifacts on loan from the Israeli Antiquities Board. Cost is \$36 per person, payable to the church office no later than Sunday, June 22. Participants are responsible for travel and all other meals. We will begin the day at 11:30 a.m. with a biblical meal followed by tours. We will spend approximately five hours at the center. Deadline for reservations and payment is Sunday, June 22. For further information contact Rick or Sue Isbell, risbell@churchstreetumc.org or sisbell@churchstreetumc.org. Lodging information will be sent after you sign up.

Summer Outings With Adult Council

Knoxville Museum of Art

Adult Council is sponsoring an outing to the Knoxville Museum of Art on Sunday, June 22. The group will meet at the museum at 3 p.m. for a tour and then walk to dinner downtown. Reservations are not required. For more information, contact Susan Dominick at 604-4023 or susanlynnedominick@gmail. com. We hope you will join us!

Tennessee Smokies Game

We hope you will join us on Friday, July 11, for an outing to see the Tennessee Smokies take on Jacksonville at 7:15 p.m. at Smokies Park. The cost is \$11 per adult and \$10 for children 12 and under. We will meet at the game in front of box office at 6:45 p.m. There is a \$3 per car fee to park. RSVP by Thursday, July 3, by calling 524-3048. Please make checks payable to Church Street UMC.

Kay Center Honor Roll

Honor your father this Father's Day by making a donation to the Kay Senior Care Center. Visit the tables in the breezeway on Sunday, June 8, to make your donation.

Church Street UMC Calendar: June 8-14

Worship

Morning Worship Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave Rejoice! TV Broadcast Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV) No Community Worship No Midweek Communion Service

Sunday School-9:40 AM

Singles

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

Personal & Spiritual Growth

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

Meetings & Ministry

Benevolence Team
Monday, noon, CLC 124
Soup Kitchen
Thursday, 11 am, Parish Hall
Board of Trustees
Thursday, 5:30 pm, rm 202

UMW

Circle #7
Tuesday, 10 am, rm 204
Circle #10
Tuesday, 10 am, CL C 14

Tuesday, 10 am, CLC 14 Circle #4

Tuesday, 10 am, rm 103 Circle #8

Tuesday, 1:15 pm, rm 201-A Mary & Martha Circle

Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 103

Leisure Activities & Fellowship

Hunger Helper Market Sunday, 8 am, Breezeway BodyWorks

Monday, 5:30 pm, Gym Bridge

Monday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120

Monday, 7 pm, rm 204 Young Men's Basketball

Tuesday, 6 pm, Gym Men's Basketball

Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym BodyWorks

Thurs., 5:30 pm, Gym

Lectionary READINGS

June 8
Acts 2:1-21
Psalm 104:24-34, 35b
1 Corinthians 12:3b-13
John 7:37-39

June 15

Genesis 1:1-2:4a Psalm 8 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Matthew 28:16-20

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

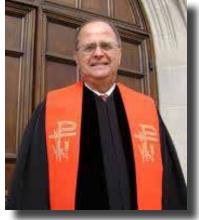
Reflections

–Rev. Andy Ferguson

Dear Friends,

A friend of many years called recently. "Welcome to the Mended Hearts Club. In a way, I'm sorry this has happened, but I'm happy I can welcome you to the club."

On Memorial Day, I joined the ranks of those who have had a heart attack. I did not realize the gravity of the situation on that day. It was only on Wednesday in my discharge conversation with the cardiologist that I heard the words applied to me for the first time: "heart attack."



First, I am very fortunate to be born at this time in medical history. At the time I started my ministry, the tools to treat heart problems were very limited. Recovery times were extensive, and outcomes were iffy at best. Now, the heart cath procedure and a stent find the blockage and restore circulation with amazing speed and effectiveness. "When should I go back to work?" The PA who came along with the doc replied without hesitation, "A week should be about right." Fortunate.

Secondly, not being inclined to throw away God's gift of life, I expect to make some lifestyle changes. Cardiac rehab three times a week for awhile. I must put times of rest into the busy workday. Oh yes, and cut out the little compromises I have been only too happy to make with diet. Despite the anguish of the celery-eating guy on the commercial, a heart-healthy diet is not exactly a death sentence.

Thirdly, I expect to continue as your pastor at Church Street. We have some incredible opportunities for witness and ministry in the coming years. How could I miss that?

Beacon of Hope gives us a new, additional pathway to mission close to home. We have children and youth (and some excellent adults, too) to raise in the care of God.

Through the building program, we will stake out our claim in this community to offer a powerful witness to Jesus Christ. We will also make the building more attractive and accessible, too.

And oh, so much more.

We have much to do. We have a Lord to glorify. So, with a mended heart. I return to this journey that is Church Street United Methodist Church.

Save the Date
Camp Hogwarts is Coming!
August 5-6

CATERING options

Food Services Director, Mike Weatherly, is available to cater events at Church Street and at offsite locations. From full meals to a simple fruit tray or desserts, Mike has many catering options. For more information, please contact Mike at 521-0273 or mweatherly@churchstreetumc.org.

UMW news

Please join us for the next UMW book review. We will gather in Cox Parlor on Wednesday, June 18, at 1:30 p.m. to hear Dr. Molly Peeler review the book *Bury Me Standing* by I. Fonseca. The book discusses the history of the Roma people, a current major mission emphasis of the UMW. It is in the reading category of "Nurturing for Community." We hope you will join us. All are welcome and you do not need to have read the book to participate.

SHARING s h o p

The Sharing Shop is now operating in two locations; one at Church Street that is open the second and fourth Mondays of the month and a second at Vestal UMC that is open each Thursday from 1-4 p.m. If you are available to volunteer at the Vestal location, please contact Pat Bellingrath at patbellingrath@gmail. com. In addition to volunteers, donations are needed. The current needs list is as follows: toilet paper, diapers, shampoo, body wash, dishwashing liquid, socks, Bibles, toys, summer clothes and shoes. Please bring all donations to the bin located outside the kitchen across from room 118.

UMW Bake Sale **Sunday, June 15**

Proceeds will benefit mission projects.

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:

Parkwest: Harley Ferguson

Home From the hospital: Paul Shipley, Jim Lees, Don Penland

Christian Sympathy To:

Donna Schroeder on the death of her husband, Bob Schroeder, on May 28.

Our Presence

Sunday Worship 548 Sunday School 285

Our Gifts

Contributions toward budget \$36,695.08
Other \$6,182.50
Hunger Helper \$239.05

Wesley House Update

Wesley House is starting their biggest summer yet! Through the move to their new building, the program is going to be able to sponsor over 100 students this year, the largest summer enrollment ever for the ministry. Here are some ways you can help!

- -Have an old laptop or iPad? The students could need updated technology to help with their educational programming.
- -Have a free morning? Volunteer to read with a student one-on-one or help them with their educational workbooks.
- -Want to donate supplies? The Wesley House is in need of specific supplies like electric pencil sharpeners, gas cards for vans, or classroom sets of books for their curriculum.
- -Want to donate financially? The curriculum for the summer is more expensive than it has been in the past due to the increase in students being served.

For more information, please contact Jenny Darden at jdarden@churchstreetumc.org.

Our Church Family

Births:

- Matthew Nicholas Nabors, son of Nick & Libby Nabors, was born on Tuesday, May 27.
- Collier Brian Cheek, son of Jeff & Marilyn Cheek, was born on Sunday, June 1.

New Member:

 Donald Penland joined by transfer of membership from New Bridge Missionary Baptist Church in Asheville, NC.

Memorials

In Memory of:

• Mary Boynton

Rejoice: Elizabeth Reagon Memorial: Anonymous Rejoice: Glen & Doris Hall Rejoice: Martha Dickens Memorial: Murphy Builders Class Memorial: C.B. Sells

Honorariums

In Honor of:

- Rev. Darryll Rasnake
 Soup Kitchen: Jack & Betty Dotson
 Soup Kitchen: Elizabeth Reagon
- Judith Winters

Kay Center: Bill & Alisa Weeks

• Rick Isbell

Wesley House: Rick & Paula Buckner

Altar Flowers for Sunday, June 1

The Chapel Altar flowers were given in loving memory of Jim Hung by Sufenne Hung.

Altar Flowers for Sunday, June 8

The Chancel Altar flowers are in honor of the marriage of Katherine Akers and William Johnson.

Sermon Scripture

Sunday, June 8

Acts 2:1-21

Sunday, June 15 Matthew 28:16-20

Contact Us

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Staff Directory

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