

# THE MESSENGER

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**Dear Church Street Friends and Family,**

The church staff extends our appreciation for blessing each of us with a generous love offering during the Christmas season.

We are honored and grateful to serve in ministry and mission alongside you always, but particularly during the last year and this pandemic season, when we have needed to re-imagine the idea of "being the church" in our community and consider how to grow in ministry together while being physically apart. We are humbled to do that work here at Church Street with you.

In 2 Corinthians, Paul reminds the Christians in Corinth to not give up, but to be renewed in faith:

***"For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day." 2 Corinthians 4:15-16***

Thank you again for your generosity, for your kind emails and notes, and for your prayers. We look forward to what we will do together in 2021 to glorify God and find renewal through Him each and every day of our work together at Church Street!

With love and appreciation,  
*Church Street's Clergy and Staff*

## *Worship Opportunities*

**Sunday, February 7, 2021**

***Fifth Sunday of Epiphany***

***Holy Communion***

*Please prepare your elements (grape juice and bread ) at home and join us on YouTube at 10 am Sunday.*

**Join us at 10 am:**

[www.YouTube.com/ChurchStreetUMC](http://www.YouTube.com/ChurchStreetUMC)

**Rev. Catherine Clark Nance**

**Mark 1:29-39**

**Music**

"Come and Taste"

arr. Alice Parker

*Parish Adult Choir, previously recorded*

"There is a Balm in Gilead"

Traditional African-American Spiritual, arr. H.T. Burleigh

*Layr Hough, bass*

***Lectionary Readings for this week:***

Isaiah 40:21-31, Psalm 147:1-11, 20c, 1 Corinthians 9:16-23, Mark 1:29-39

## ***UMW Events + Needs***

### **UMW General Meeting:**

**Tuesday, February 9, 11 am on Zoom**

Church Street's United Methodist Women (UMW) welcomes **Dr. Leonard Brabson**, for the first UMW Speaker Series of 2021! The topic will be Women's Health Issues, and all are invited to attend.

+ **Call-in:** 929-436-2866

+ **Meeting ID:** 844 9904 6104 + **Passcode:** 739705



### **UMW Book Review:**

**Wednesday, February 17, 1:30 pm on Zoom**

In honor of Black History month, we will be learning more about Clara Ester, the former UMW national vice president and deaconess. She was a Civil Rights activist during the Civil Rights Movement and was present when Martin Luther King, Jr. was killed. We will review several UMW publications about Ms. Ester, including a January 2021 UMW video. Please join us!

+ **Call-in:** 929-436-2866

+ **Meeting ID:** 822 1424 1785 + **Passcode:** 820265

### **Service Circle Needs Sewing Supplies!**

Service Circle would love to have your extra material, sewing supplies, and

yarn. If you are cleaning out a cabinet, drawer, or closet and find these things, Service Circle CAN USE THEM! Call the church office to arrange a time for drop off (524-3048). Please label the bag "Service Circle". Thanks for your generosity! Questions? Contact Nancy Carmon: [ncyellen@gmail.com](mailto:ncyellen@gmail.com)

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## *Sunday School Opportunity*

### **The Open Doors Class Faces Fear, Anxiety and Worry: Beginning this Sunday**

Beginning Sunday, Feb. 7, 9 am on Zoom, the Open Door Class will begin a study series entitled "UNAFRAID: Living with Courage & Hope in Uncertain Times" by the Rev. Adam Hamilton. Fear is a gift that sometimes saves our lives and worry is a natural part of being human. However, there are times when fear, anxiety and worry consume our very being and stop us from living life to the fullest. Come and join the study as Adam Hamilton helps us explore the simple acronym of **FEAR**.

**Face** your fears with faith

**Examine** your assumptions in light of the facts

**Attack** your anxieties with action'

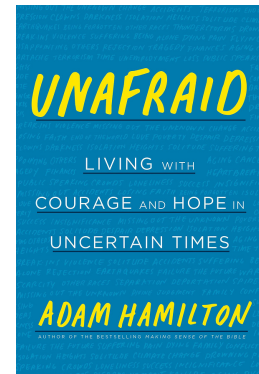
**Release** your cares to God

The study will be led by Rev. Rick Isbell, retired Minister of Discipleship. The study book, while not mandatory, can be purchased through Amazon or cokesbury.com. All are welcome to be a part of this timely study.

+ *Sundays in February at 9 am.*

Call in: 19294362866, Meeting ID: 826-2519-6733#, Passcode: \*987123#

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## *Call for Holston Conference Devotion Authors*

The Conference is in the planning stages of our Holston Daily Devotional series. If you would like to author one or more devotionals, they have several dates available from March - June. Please email Charlotte Riggins at [charlotteriggins@holston.org](mailto:charlotteriggins@holston.org) and let her know how many days you would like to author. She will then send you the focus scripture(s) and due date(s) along with the new guidelines.

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## *Calendar*

*See the calendar listings below. Meetings occur on Zoom, unless otherwise noted as an in-person event. If you would like a link to one of the following Zoom meetings, or if your group would like to set up a Zoom meeting, please contact Kate Spencer at [kspencer@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:kspencer@churchstreetumc.org) or 865-521-0268, she will help set you up on the church account!*

**Ongoing Sunday School, Children,**

**Current Studies and One-Time**

### Youth & Music Meetings:

- **Breakfast w/ Ms. Katryn & Friends** (children): Sundays, 9 am
- **Open Doors:** Sundays, 9 am
- **Partners:** Sundays, 9 am
- **Followers:** Sundays, 9:30 am
- **Epworth:** Sundays, 10:30 am
- **Seekers:** Sundays, 11 am
- **Kinder Choir:** Sundays, 11 am
- **Confirmation:** Sundays, 11 am
- **Crossroads:** Sundays, 11 am
- **Chorister & Primary Children's Choirs:** Sundays, 3:30 pm
- **Youth Choir:** Sundays, 4:15 pm
- **NightLife:** Sundays, 5 pm
- **Parish Adult Choir:** Wednesdays, 7 pm

### Meetings:

- **Sterchi Lodge Committee:** Monday, 5:30 pm
- **SASH Committee:** Monday, 6 pm
- **UMW General Meeting:** Tuesday, 11 am
- **Congregational Care:** Tuesday, 6 pm
- **Disciple New Testament Fast Track Class:** Tuesdays, 6:30 pm
- **Sacred Conversations on Race:** Tuesdays, 7:30 pm (all February)
- **Disciple Old Testament Fast Track Class:** Wednesdays, 10 am
- **Trustees:** Wednesday, 5:30 pm

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## IN MEMORIAM:

# Doris Martinson

Joined: 8/11/96 Died: 1/27/21

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### *Our Prayers*

#### *Christian love and sympathy to:*

The family and friends of Doris Martinson, who died on January 27.  
The family and friends of Sarah Lois Brown Murphy, grandmother of Lisa Rotton, who died on December 24.

#### *Recently Hospitalized:*

Gail Redding  
Bob Paulson: NHC Farragut

#### *New Arrival:*

**Gentry Elijah Ladd** was born to **Chelsea and Zach Ladd** on February 1.

### *Our Presence*

#### *January 31*

#### *Online Worship - 509*

With last week's poll, 159 responses indicated how many in their home were tuned into the service, giving us a multiplier of about 1.28. We estimate our viewership last week to be **509 people**. Your answers to the poll above each week help us better calculate who is viewing and how many actual people are viewing. Thank you!

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# ***Our Gifts***

***January 31***

Operating Budget \$56,358.00

Building Fund \$150.00

Other \$4,075.00

Give securely online at [www.churchstreetumc.org/give](http://www.churchstreetumc.org/give) or send a check:

Church Street UMC

P.O. Box 1303

Knoxville, TN 37901

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## ***Memorials***

*In Memory of:*

***Tori Mitchell Furst***

Memorial Fund: Remonda & Roger Alleyne

***John Ginn***

Beacon of Hope: Anonymous

***Elena (Lena) Keeble***

Benevolence Fund: Anonymous

***Gerald Ray Kempfer***

Benevolence Fund: Anonymous

***Harold (Hal) Morris***

Building Fund: Anonymous

## ***Honorariums***

*In Honor of:*

***Jean Galyon***

Conversations on Race: Susan Greene

***Murphy Builders Sunday***

***School Class***

Memorial Fund: Dr. Jeffrey & Sybil

Johnson

## ***Altar Flowers***

The chancel altar flowers are given in loving memory of Alan and Linda Fletcher by their daughters Susan Edwards, Jennifer Maulick and Amy Portnell.

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### ***All are welcome at Church Street !***

*We believe every person is of sacred worth and created in God's image. We welcome and celebrate the gifts God has given to all persons without regard to race, color, national origin, ethnicity, age, gender, disability, status, economic condition, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religious affiliation. We respect diversity of opinion and expressions of Christian faith. We believe God loves everyone unconditionally! As God loves us, so let us love and serve in the name of Christ.*

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*Please call the church office to reach a specific member of our staff.*

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