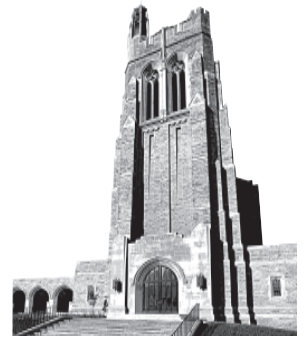


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FOR MEMBERS & FRIENDS OF CHURCH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH • KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE



9th Sunday after Pentecost

• **Sunday, July 25**

Worship

8:30 & 11 am – Nave
Rev. Andy Ferguson

• **Wednesday, July 28, Aug. 4**

Midweek Worship & Communion

12 Noon – Chapel
Rev. Sarah Varnell

• **Thursday, July 29, Aug. 5**

Vespers

5:45 pm – Chapel – Chuck Jones

Community Worship

6:30 pm – CLC 120 – Rev. Darryll Rasnake



10th Sunday after Pentecost

Sacrament of Holy Communion

• **Sunday, August 1**

Worship

8:30 & 11 am – Nave
Rev. Andy Ferguson

Holy Communion will be served to Home-bound members by clergy and lay persons.

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Come & Sing Summer Choir announces additional plans 8:30 service choir wants YOU!

Twenty-four persons joined the summer “Come & Sing” Choir this past Sunday and additional persons are welcome to take part on Sunday, July 25.

If you have always wanted to sing in the choir, but never had the time or opportunity, please join us in the Nave at 8 am on Sunday to rehearse for the 8:30 service. We won't wear robes or participate in the processional.



Plans for early August:

For **Sunday, August 1**, we'll have an all-women's choir and on **Sunday, August 8**, it's the men's turn with an all-men's choir! Again, meet in the Nave on the particular Sunday at 8 am to rehearse.

For more details about this and any activity of our music ministry, please contact Tim Ward (521-0276) or Edie Johnson (521-0277).

Let's go to the ballpark on July 31

Make reservations now!

Again this year, the Adult Council is sponsoring an evening at Smokies Ballpark with a time for food, fun and fellowship with other Church Streeters.



Tickets have been reserved for the game between the **Tennessee**

Smokies and the **West Tennessee Diamond Jaxx** at 6:15 pm on **Saturday, July 31**. Ticket cost is \$8.

To reserve your ticket and/or if you need more details, please contact Doug Mason by phone at 966-4543 or by email at rdmason1@charter.net.

See ya at the ballpark!

Have you seen the “Book of Tributes?”

Church Street's *Book of Tributes* reflects a tribute to the love, loyalty and dedication of church members now deceased. To nominate a deceased member of our church for inclusion in the *Book of Tributes*, please obtain an application from the church office.

To be included in this special publication, the criteria is simple: The

nominee must have been a member or former member of Church Street UMC at the time of death...and the person must have made a meaningful contribution to the church by their participation and actions.

The *Book of Tributes* is located in the church library...in red binders on the desk to the right as you enter the library.

Two-week Messenger is here!

As previously reported, the *Messenger* will not be produced next week. **Note:** The calendar, on page 2 of THIS edition, covers the two-week period, **July 25 through August 7**. The next *Messenger* edition will be produced on **August 3**.

REMINDER: Defibrillator Information



AEDs (Automated Electronic Defibrillators) are located outside room 118, across from the side door to the kitchen AND in the Church Life Center near the Gym.

Our 2-year-olds need teachers!

In anticipation of the last Sunday of August, we still need two more persons to join Jenny Cheatham on the teaching team for the 2-year-olds. A year-long commitment is in the best interest of young children; however, quarterly commitments will certainly be considered.

For more information and/or to volunteer, please contact Sue Isbell at 521-0282 or sisbell@churchstreetumc.org.

New Pastors' On-Call number is announced

Please remember... the number to reach our pastor-on-call is (865) 236-1518. This change means that you will be calling the pastor on-call directly instead of leaving your phone number on a pager. You may occasionally need to leave a message in voicemail; however, you can leave more information than a phone number, as you have had to do in the past.

It is the pastors' desire to provide timely pastoral care to all of our families. When an emergency occurs, just call!

MESSENGER & NEWSWIRE distributions

If you are a part of the Church Street *NEWSWIRE* and/or receive *The MESSENGER* via email....please remember to notify Teresa Williams, if your email address changes.

Also if you consistently do not receive or have trouble with receiving either the newsletter or *NEWSWIRE*, contact Teresa. Most "bounced" emails seem to come from those of you with Earthlink accounts.

Busy summer continues for our Youth!

Even though it is summer, we continue to offer great teaching and programming for Church Street youth.

We continue our weekly art class on Tuesday evenings and our prayer brunch on Wednesday mornings. We have an overnight camping and biking trip this weekend at Cades Cove. This Sunday during Sunday school we will have Anita Henderlight tell us about what is being done in Southern Sudan to educate teenagers, especially girls. Finally, we have a rafting trip down the Ocoee scheduled for August 5.

There's just a lot going on, so join us! Contact the youth office at 521-0287 or mgamble@churchstreetumc.org if you need more information.

Upcoming Events through September

- July 24 Singles Ministry Annual Picnic
- July 27-29 Staff Retreat at Sterchi Lodge
- August 21 Holston Conference UMW Social Action Legislative Event
- August 21 Singles Hiwassee River Rafting
- August 29 Stewardship Time & Talents Event
- September 5 BOOMSDAY Activities
- September 12 Christian Education Sunday
- September 12 Fall programming resumes

Be an At-Large member of Annual Conference

Would you be interested in offering yourself for election as an at-large member of the Holston Annual Conference? As you know, Church Street UMC has several lay members of annual conference who represent the church. In addition, several at-large members are elected by the District Conference. If you would like to offer your name for election, please contact one of the pastors at 524-3048.



CHURCH STREET UMC CALENDAR: JULY 25-AUGUST 7

WORSHIP

Morning Worship
 Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave
Rejoice!
 Sunday, 8:30 am (WVLT-TV)
 Sunday, 10 am (WVLT2)
 Midweek Worship Service
 Wednesday, 12 noon, Chapel
 Vespers
 Thursday, 5:45 pm, Chapel
 Community Worship
 Thursday, 6:30 pm, CLC 120

Sunday School • 9:40 A.M.

Pastor's Bible Study:
 See Lectionary Listings on page 4 for Sundays, Aug. 8, 15 & 22.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES & FELLOWSHIP

Bridge:
 Mon., 6:30 pm, CLC 120
 Yoga:
 Mon., 7 pm, rm 306
 Dance Lessons - Swing
 Mon., 7 pm, Beginning, Gym
 Mon., 7 pm, Intermediate, CLC 11
 Men's Basketball
 Wednesday, 6:30 pm, Gym

UMW

Service Circle [July 27]
 Tuesday, 9 am, Parish Hall

For August Circle Meetings:
 If you have questions about whether your circle is meeting, please check with your circle chair.

PERSONAL & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Beth Moore Bible Study
 Monday, 6:30 pm, rm 204
 Pastor's Bible Study
 Wednesday, 7 pm, rm 204
 Devotion to Jesus Study
 Thursday, 7 pm, rm 119

SINGLES

Singles Social Committee [July 26]
 Monday, 6 pm, CLC 124
 Singles Leadership Team [Aug. 2]
 Tuesday, 6 pm, CLC 124
 Thursday Nights Together, 6:15 pm
 Dinner & Program, Parish Hall
 Friday Fun Night Dance [Aug. 6]
 Friday, 8 pm, Gym & CLC

MEETINGS

July 25-31
 No additional meetings

MEETINGS August 1-7

Stewardship Committee
 Tuesday, 6 pm, rm 202
 Church Council
 Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Chapel
 Lay Leadership Committee
 Wednesday, 5:30 pm, rm 204
 Properties Committee
 Wednesday, 5:30 pm, rm 202

Please note the alternate meeting time for Church Council: August 3 instead of July 27.

Hunger Helper Market Sundays • Breezeway 9 a.m. until sold out



“Reflections...on Coming Home”

– Andy Ferguson, senior pastor

One way to see your own country with new appreciation is to explore another.

We were sitting at dinner one night in a guest house in Ireland – Celia and I, along with our daughter and son-in-law, with two European couples. The presumably safe question was asked: “What do you do back home for a living?”

We went around the table; each response received questions that showed interest in each work. My turn: “I’m a United Methodist pastor.” Suddenly, no one around the table could think of anything to say. It was a very effective way to silence a conversation.

This was repeated two or three more times across our visit. It was only our guide on a hike through the mountains who wanted to know more. The question had gotten the same response in the group setting. Now, we were hiking just the two of us; he wanted to know if my religion was anything like his. I was surprised at how little he knew. He was an Anglican, the direct ancestor of Methodism, walking no more than 200 miles from the home of John Wesley himself.

So, how is American Christianity different from Irish Christianity? One guess: the Irish Christianity is more aligned with the power structure. In Ireland, you vote in elections and you root for a team and you live in a neighborhood based on your religious affiliation. While I had heard about this, of course, I was

surprised to see how thoroughly it was woven into Irish society. For example, the guide on that hike later commented that there were two Irish hurling teams in his community; he and his neighbors supported one or the other based solely on their religious affiliation.

Thinking back on the silence that greeted the information that I am a United Methodist pastor, I was left with the impression that *not speaking* of religion was one way to get along in a fragmented world.

All this led me to wonder: what is the best role for religion in our society and our nation? I would not want our American religion to become the unseen divider between communities, teams, political parties and more. But, what then is the best role for religion to take?

+To focus on raising up our children to become people of character?

+To call political parties to focus on certain cherished issues and values?

+To urge the oppressed among us to rise up and reject the judgment of their oppression?

+To be an organization that does politically safe charity projects that anyone can approve?

As Christians and United Methodists, are we called to be “sweet” or to be “faithful”? Is there a difference? What is the task and the role of Christianity in this nation and in the life of this community? When you have it figured out, let’s talk.



News & Needs

Children’s News

- **We NEED Sunday school teachers** for our 2-year-olds, beginning late August. To volunteer, leave a message for Sue Isbell at 521-0282.

Youth News

- **Hey Youth!** Lots of things are happening this summer. Check out the article on page 2 of this edition of *The Messenger*.

CollegeLife News

- **College Students:** To be added to the email distribution for the online *Word on the Street*, our way of sharing CollegeLife news, please contact John Shearer at jcshearer2@comcast.net.

Young Adult News

- **The Gap Class** is collecting **paper towels** for **Wesley House** during July. Donations can be brought to the bin in the GAP class (downstairs by the Teaching Christ statue)...Call J.R. Hertwig at 384-7049 for info.

Singles News


- **Donations for “The Cart”** (which benefit Volunteer Ministry Center) continue with Liquid Soap as the item for July and Stick Deodorant for August. The Cart is located outside Parish Hall.
- Call Chuck Jones at 521-0298 or pick up a copy of **SingleVision** from the church literature racks for a complete listing of opportunities & reservation information.

Web News

www.churchstreetumc.org

- **To read *The Messenger* online**, go to the *News & Events* category and select *Newsletters*. *The Messenger* is usually online by Wednesday afternoons.
- **Listen to and watch REJOICE!**, streamed on our website at www.churchstreetumc.org/stream.php.
- **Join us on FACEBOOK!** Just go to www.facebook.com and search for “Church Street United Methodist Church.”

Music News

- **“Come & Sing” summer choir** will sing on Sunday, July 25. Just come to the choir loft at 8 am for rehearsal. 



Attention: Parents of rising Third Graders

A long-standing Church Street tradition is to give new Bibles to our Third Grade students. This year, Bibles will be distributed mid September. If you have a third grader, be sure that Sue Isbell has the name your child wants on his or her Bible.

Please call and leave a message with Sue at 521-0282.

Hear parish notices prior to worship!

Special announcements and parish concerns are presented in the Nave BEFORE the musical prelude at Sunday morning worship services.

We invite you to arrive early so you won’t miss important information about the concerns and life of the Church Street congregation.

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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:

Blount Memorial (Maryville): Betty Williams
Mercy North: Ella Julian
Mercy St. Mary's: Hortense Pagni
Vanderbilt Medical Ctr (Nashville): Beth McConnell

Home from hospital:

Ann Woodle, Jessica Logan, Sara Dickson (to Shannondale Assisted Living), Mary Jane Thigpen (to Trinity Hills Assisted Living), Agnes Johnson (to Shannondale)

Christian Sympathy to:

Ruth DeFriese and family in the death of her sister-in-law, Marie DeFriese, on July 19 in Cleveland, TN.

Our Presence

Sunday Morning Worship 629
Sunday School 395

Our Gifts

Operating Budget \$38,248
Hunger Helper Market \$280
Other Designations \$4,533

Altar Flowers for Sunday, July 25

• The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Emmett Hubbard by Ella Mae Hubbard.

Have You Talked to God Today?

Memorials in memory of

- **Larry Dorsey**
Wesley House: Mildred Weeks
- **Virginia Hubble**
Memorial Fund: Mr. & Mrs. Sammy Manning & Family
- **Margaret Anne Nicholson**
Memorial Fund: Todd & Ashley Stamper & Carol Keese, Richard & Deanna Hill, Knoxville Office of Disability Adjudication & Review, Cardinal Health Southwest Division, The Hemel & LoCoco Families, Charlotte Davis & Lindy Moore, Jane Shapiro Row, The Staff of Mr. Herb Nicholson, M & W Architectural Products LLC; UMW: Bennett & Evelyn Horton; Accessibility Fund: Carolyn Erwin
- **Gladys Elizabeth Yandell**
Child Day Care Center/Preschool: Faith Yandell Tapp

Honoraria in honor of

- **Jan Buxton-Wade**
Parish Hall Renovations: Stephanie & Matthew Strutner, Emily, Doug & Tracey Akins
- **Singles Ministry**
Singles Ministry: Ludwin Speir, Charlie Wade
- **Lucian Trent**
Altar Guild: Dr. & Mrs. John Nelson



Lectionary Readings

- **July 25**
Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85
Colossians 2:6-19; Luke 11:1-13
- **August 1**
Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107: 1-9, 43
Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21



STAFF (521-0 + ext.)

Senior Pastor	Andy Ferguson-236-0951
Associate Pastor	Darryll Rasnake-279
Associate Pastor	Sarah Varnell-263
Special Needs Pastor	Cabel Trent-264
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Music Associate/Organist	Eddie Johnson-277
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Secretary	Julie Hill -278
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Sterchi Lodge Caretaker	Essie Burgin
Building Superintendent	Walt Sands-295
Custodians	Kevin Compton, Sabrina Harris, Laurie Grooms, Crystal Mills, Tim Montgomery

MAIN OFFICE HOURS
8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Church Office: (865) 524-3048

FAX: 521-0261

Pastor-on-Call Number: 236-1518

For emergencies, Call the number and the Pastor-on-Call will answer, or you may leave a message and the pastor will return your call.

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