

THE MESSENGER

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Last Chance to Sign Up for Change the World Weekend - this Saturday, May 15

In addition to the volunteer service opportunities found at the link below, we need your financial support to help these missions and ministries thrive.

- **\$75** covers the cost for one UMCOR cleaning kit
- **\$30** covers the cost for one Zimbabwe food bucket
- **\$15** covers the cost for one UMCOR hygiene kit



Designate your gift to "Missions" either **online** or in the memo line of your check. Thank you for giving generously!

The UMW and Missions Team are partnering to provide hands-on, intergenerational ways to be in service to our local community this weekend that also adhere to Covid-19 safety protocols in place at the church. We can change the world by starting in our own backyard. We'll be sharing more about our mission projects and ministry partners in the coming weeks -- you can check out the hands-on mission projects that will take place on Saturday, May 15.

UMW Sunday: May 16

Each year, Church Street honors and celebrates our United Methodist Women

(UMW) through UMW Sunday. The women lead in four -- two in-person, one online, and our Rejoice! broadcast -- worship services as a reminder of all that UMW stands for and accomplishes worldwide. Developing supportive fellowship has been one of the big successes for Church Street's UMW, with more than 200 women meeting monthly in 11 small groups, or "circles".



As the largest women's faith-based organization in the world, UMW works on behalf of women and children to promote social and racial justice. In 2020, Church Street UMW pledged and gave \$15,700 in support of missions locally and around the globe. Here, the unit raise funds through its famous bake sales and parking lot fundraising, even during the pandemic! Wesley House, UMCOR, Sharing Shops, Church Street Preschool, Red Bird Mission, Freedom School, Montgomery Village Ministries, Henderson Settlement, UMW Legacy Fund, Church Women United, Conversations on Race, CSUMC Service Circle, and Beacon of Hope Food Co-op are among the groups benefitting. Please join us in celebration of UMW on Sunday, May 16!

Worship Opportunities

Sunday, May 16
Seventh Sunday of Easter
UMW Sunday

Join us for the following worship times on Sunday:

8:30 am & 11 am at 900 Henley Street

Please pre-register for in-person worship by **clicking on this link**.
If you have trouble registering, please call the church office for assistance at 524-3048.

10 am for *Rejoice!* on WBXX-TV

An abbreviated worship service that includes music, scripture, sermon and prayer. Check local listing.

11 am on YouTube

www.YouTube.com/ChurchStreetUMC

Rev. Palmer Cantler

John 17:6-19 (CEB)

Music

In the Nave at 8:30 am

Who Can Express?

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Parish Youth Treble Ensemble

In the Nave at 11 am

Cantate Domino

Hans Leo Hassler
Parish Ensemble

Online at 11 am and Rejoice! at 10 am
He's Got the Whole World In His Hands
Trad. Spiritual, arr. Moses Hogan
Daniel Johnson-Webb, soloist

Lectionary Readings for this week:
Acts 1:15-17, 21-26, Psalm 1, 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19

Education Opportunities

Staying in Love with God

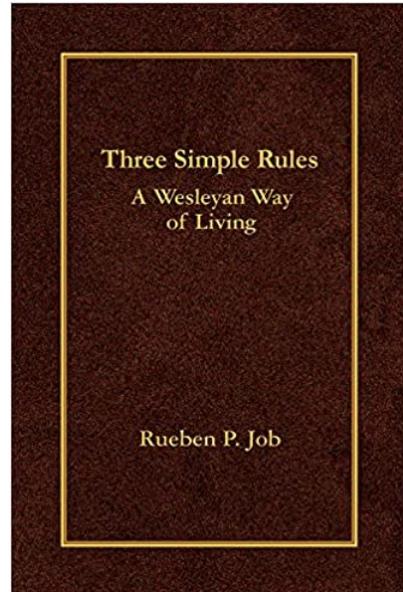
"The first two rules of doing no harm and doing good are important and bring immediate results; but without the third rule of staying in love with God, the first two become increasingly impossible. Staying in love with God is the foundation to all of life."

(Rueben P. Job, Three Simple Rules: A Wesleyan Way of Living)

On Sunday, May 16, 9 am on Zoom, the Open Door Class will conclude its series of lessons based on John Wesley's General Rules and Rueben Job's book. This last rule of staying in love with God is the most important one and serves as the foundation of the first two. Staying in love with God involves several essential spiritual disciplines that are a source of strength and guidance for all Christians. We will look at the disciplines of prayer, worship, Bible study and fasting as central to a life of faithfulness.

Even if you have not been able to attend previous sessions in this series, you are invited to attend this most important one. See you on Sunday as the door is always open!

Call in: 1-929-436-2866, Meeting ID: 826-2519-6733#, Passcode: *987123#



COVENANT

bible study 

Covenant Bible Study - Hybrid Summer Study with Revs. Nance and Best

Church Street UMC will offer the first section of Covenant Bible Study, "Creating," this summer. The focus of this first section is God's establishment of covenant with God's people. Pastors Catherine Nance and Tim Best will facilitate the study. Students are invited to purchase their own study books; if there is any concern about purchasing materials please contact Pastor Tim to

borrow materials from the church.

Covenant is an in-depth group Bible study in which participants read and discuss the Bible together, learning how to love God and each other better.

This eight-week study, beginning Wednesday June 9 at 7 pm, is our first hybrid class. You may attend in person on Wednesdays at 7 pm (Murphy Builders classroom), or you may attend via Zoom at the same time. However you plan to attend, you should still register for the study using the link below. You will be asked to share how you *plan* to attend most of the meetings, but this does not commit you to attending all meetings in person or online.

Please call Rev. Tim Best at 865-521-0279 if you have any questions or need help purchasing a study guide or registering.

Children's Summer Opportunities

VBS: To Mars and Beyond!

June 21-24, 6-7:30 pm

Children age 3-rising 6th graders

Masks will be required and we will be outside as much as possible. Volunteers are welcome! Please contact Katryn Bancroft to volunteer or with any questions you may have or to sign up.

Camp Hogwarts

June 1 & 2, 9:15 am-4:30 pm

Children who have completed K-5th grade

The cost is \$50 per child, which includes a boxed lunch, snack, and all materials. Mask will be required and we will be outside as much as possible. Please contact Katryn Bancroft to volunteer or with any questions you may have or to sign up.

Children's Choir Camp

Sign up today for CSUMC's Children's Choir Camp, Monday, July 12- Wednesday July 14 9 am- 1 pm. This fun-filled camp will include singing, music games, fellowship and activities in downtown Knoxville. In addition to exercising our minds and voices, we'll play at World's Fair Park, enjoy some ice cream and maybe even strike up some fun at a nearby bowling alley! Rising 1st - 5th grades. *Please contact Edie Johnson to sign up.*

UMW Offerings

UMW Book Review on May 19, 1:30 pm

Join us as we watch the documentary about the passage of the 19th amendment in Tennessee's role in this historic event. It will be presented via Zoom on Wednesday, May 19 at 1:30 pm. The documentary is about 30 minutes, and we will have time for discussion afterwards. Please join us!



“Of all the battles waged on Nashville's doorstep, the final throes for the passage of the 19th Amendment were among the most heated, controversial and colorful. In July of 1920, all eyes were on the Tennessee capital as anti- and pro-suffragists each fought for their vision of a socially evolving United States. PERFECT 36: WHEN WOMEN WON THE VOTE chronicles the dramatic vote to ratify this amendment,

and the years of debate about women's suffrage that preceded it.”

+ Call in to the meeting: +1929-436-2866, 82214241785#, *820265#

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 or 865-521-0268, she will help set you up on the church account!

Ongoing Worship, Sunday School, Children, Youth & Music Meetings:

- **Worship:** Sunday at 8:30 & 11 am, Nave; Rejoice! at 10 am (WBXX); YouTube at 11 am
- **Open Door:** Sunday, 9 am
- **Partners:** Sundays, 9 am
- **Followers:** Sundays, 9:30 am
- **Epworth:** Sundays, 9:30 am
- **Crossroads:** Sundays, 11 am
- **NightLife:** Sundays, 5 pm, Gym
- **Seekers:** Sundays, 7 pm
- **Youth Band Rehearsal:** Wednesdays, 7 pm, CLC Lower Level

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

- **Finance Committee:** Tuesday, 6 pm
 - **Congregational Care Committee:** Tuesday, 6 pm
 - **UMW Book Review:** Wednesday, 1:30 pm
 - **Missions Team:** Wednesday, 6 pm
 - **Soup Kitchen:** Thursdays, 11 am, Magnolia Lot
 - **Covid Task Force:** Thursdays, 3 pm
 - **SPRC:** Thursday, 5:30 pm
- Coming Up:** Church Council: Tuesday, May 25, 6 pm

Our Prayers

Christian love and sympathy to:

The family and friends of Monimala Biswas, mother of Pratik Biswas and mother-in-law of Justina Batchelor Biswas, who died on May 11 in New Delhi.

The family and friends of Dr. Mike Lusk of Ooltewah, brother-in-law of Chris Dukes, who died on March 13.

The family and friends of Barbara Chandler of Morristown, mother of Chris Dukes, who died on April 4.

The family and friends of William (Bill) Gray, Jr., former Church Street organist and choirmaster, who died on May 12 in Alabama.

In the hospital:

Dan Armstrong: UT
Chuck Jones: Parkwest
Burl Haun: Ft. Sanders

Recently hospitalized:

Kathleen Harrison: Well Park Rehab

Our Presence

May 9
Online Worship - 224

May 9
In-Person Worship - 289
8:30 am Worship - 143
11:00 am Worship - 146

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GivePlus+ App and Give+Text

We now have **two new ways to give** from your phone:

1. Download the **GivePlus+ app** from the app store or Google Play, register your account and secure payment info, then give easily.
2. Text to Give ... Text the contact number **844-931-2580** with the dollar amount you'd like to give. You'll be directed to a link one time to set up your text to give info. Once you register, you'll be able to subsequently simply text the amount you'd like to give to **844-931-2580**.

Gifts made through Give+ Text will go to the Operating Budget. If you would like to make a gift to a designated fund, please make your gift online or by check with the fund in the memo line. Thank you for giving generously!

Our Gifts

May 9
Operating Budget \$26,409.66
Building Fund \$3,711.50
Other \$74,536.85

Give securely online at www.churchstreetumc.org/give or send a check:

Church Street UMC
P.O. Box 1303
Knoxville, TN 37901

Memorials

In Memory of:

James Langford

Building Fund: John & Cindy Hollingsworth, Fred Woody,
Judy & Jim Grubb, Gretchen McKee, Susie & Paul Siler,
John & Wanda Craig, Jane & George Dominick, Janice
Hixson, and Loretta Best

Altar Flowers

The Chancel Altar Flowers
are given in loving memory
of Virginia and Harold
Canfield by Barbara Canfield
Karpay and June Canfield
Fillingim.

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.