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Church Street Welcomes Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett on January 9

This Sunday, January 9, Holston Conference Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett will visit and preach at Church Street! She will preach at both the 8:30 and 11 am services and will be in Parish Hall during the Sunday School hour for a time of greeting and learning more about Church Street from members. We hope you will join us to meet and hear from our new bishop! *The in-person sermon will be recorded and made available online for those unable to attend.*



+ [Click here](#) to join the Sunday School hour time by Zoom with Bishop Wallace-Padgett, passcode: **12345** or call in to listen to the gathering at 1-929-436-2866, Meeting ID: 816-1904-8930, Passcode: 12345

Bishop Wallace-Padgett is inviting every Holston United Methodist member to join her in a plan to read the entire bible in one year. The reading plan, available for download at Holston.org, splits up the readings according to the day of the week, so that each week you read Gospel lessons, Psalms, prophets, histories, etc. Many "Bible-in-a-year" plans have you read the books in canonical order, from Genesis to Revelation. Such a reading can be helpful, but it can also be challenging to stay focused. This plan will continuously give diverse readings throughout the year, and if you subscribe to the conference emails, you will receive the reading daily in your inbox - simple and easy! Join

SoKno Drive This Sunday

Let's show our love for South Knoxville! We have two wonderful mission partnerships in South Knoxville: the Beacon of Hope and Dogwood Elementary School Kindergarten. Our neighbors across the river have asked for some specific items to help them start off the New Year right.

The following items can be brought to the Welcome Center this Sunday, January 9 for our SoKno drive!

- **For BEACON OF HOPE:** The Sharing Shop at Beacon of Hope needs toiletry items. Requested items include: **shampoo, body wash, and dish soap.**
 - **For DOGWOOD ELEMENTARY:** The kindergarten teachers at Dogwood have requested new headphones. With six classes of kindergarteners, they need *five sets of headphones per class*, for a total of **thirty pairs of headphones.** Other needs include: **card stock and black Expo markers.** Item donations should be brought to the Welcome Center as part of the SoKno drive. Monetary donations designated for Dogwood Elementary will be used towards purchase of these headphones.
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New Church Apparel & Goodies

We are pleased to offer new Church Street apparel and goods! **Through January 14,** you can use the order form linked below to order long-sleeved t-shirts, short-sleeved t-shirts, tumblers or "boat totes" (canvas bags).



SCAN THE CODE
WITH YOUR PHONE
TO ORDER
THROUGH JAN. 14



Please read the instructions carefully, and then watch your email for an invoice from Jotform. You may pay by check to the church office by using "Merch" in the memo line or [online](#) by entering your total in the "CSUMC Merchandise" box. We hope to have these items available for distribution in early February 2022.

February UMW General Meeting

Mark your calendars for the first UMW General Meeting of 2022 as we explore our UMW



Knitted Together

BY GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE



United
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Women
FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

UMW General Meeting
Tuesday, February 8, 11 am
Parish Hall

purpose and roots and set the tone for being in mission together this year.

Lunch will follow the meeting in Parish Hall: Please make your lunch reservation by calling the church office at 865-524-3048 by Friday, Feb. 4, and make childcare

reservations by emailing Susan Greene at greenesusan77@gmail.com by Friday, Feb. 4.

Tuesday, 2/8, 11:00 am in Parish Hall: Knitted Together by God's Love and Grace: Who We Are, What We Do, and How We Do It

More information about the Wednesday, 2/16, 1:30 pm, Book Review coming soon!

Worship Opportunities

Sunday, January 9
Baptism of the Lord

8:30 & 11 am at 900 Henley Street

"A New Past"

Rev. Dr. Debra Wallace-Padgett

Bishop of the Holston Conference and North Alabama Conference

Philippians 3:12-16

Music

8:30 am

Psalm 100 (Jubilate Deo), Robert Roth

Parish Youth Choir

11 am

Psalm 100 (Jubilate Deo), Benjamin Britten

Parish Adult Choir

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10 am on *Rejoice!* WBXX-TV & 11 am on YouTube

www.YouTube.com/ChurchStreetUMC

Rev. Catherine Nance, Senior Pastor

Isaiah 43:1-7

Music

Jubilate Deo, Robert Roth

Parish Youth Choir

Covid-19 Update

We learned more in 2021 about the transmission of Covid-19, and moving forward, the Covid task force will share the weekly metric we review (along with other local data) to make an informed decision about mitigation measures – specifically mask wearing indoors. Each week, you will be able to find this metric here in the Messenger in the graphic below, so you will know what the mask expectation is for the coming week's services and indoor activities at Church Street. ***Regardless of mask status, everyone age 2+ should continue to wear a mask when singing and around children.***

The primary data used to determine the need for masks is the 7-day average positivity rate in Knox County. **Per the CDC guidelines, if a community has a substantial or high positivity rate (greater than 8%), masks should be worn indoors at all times.** Anything lower than 8%, and masks will be optional indoors, except when singing or around children. Thank you for continuing to love your neighbor as we navigate the changes of the pandemic together.

As of Jan. 3, Knox County has a 29.1% (HIGH) positivity rate. Masks should be worn indoors at all times.

COVID TRACKER

SCALE:

- Low transmission: less than 5%
- Moderate transmission: 5-7.9%
- **Substantial transmission: 8-9.9% - wear mask**
- **High transmission: 10% or higher - wear mask**

Substantial or high transmission: masks should be worn indoors at all times (CDC).



THIS WEEK:

29.1%

7 day avg. positivity rate

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:

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

- **Worship:** Sunday at 8:30 & 11 am, Nave; *Rejoice!* at 10 am (WBXX); YouTube at 11 am
- **Gathering Time with Bishop Wallace-Padgett:** Sunday, 9:40 am, Parish Hall
- **Sunday School Class Meeting On Zoom: Partners** - Sundays at 9:40 am
- **Sunday School Classes meeting In-Person**, at 9:40 am Sundays:
 - **Covenant/Isbell** - room E-01
 - **Epworth** - CLC 122
 - **Discovery** - CLC 124
 - **Friends in Christ** - room 202
 - **Followers** - room 310
 - **Murphy Builders** - room 204
 - **Pathfinders** - CLC 120
 - **Potter's Wheel** - Chiles room
 - **Youth (CLC)**
 - **Children** (Children's classrooms)
- **Sunday School Classes Meeting in person and online (hybrid)** currently, at 9:40 am on Sundays:
 - **Open Door** - Parish Hall
 - **Parables** - room 118
 - **Crossroads** - room 201-A
 - **Seekers** - room 201-C
- **Children's Programming:** Sundays, 3:45 pm, Gym
- **Parish Youth Choir Rehearsal:** Sundays, 3:45 pm, Choir Rehearsal Room
- **Children's Choir Dinner & Rehearsal:** Sundays, 5:00 pm, Choir Rehearsal Room
- **NightLife:** Sundays, 5 pm, CLC Lower Level
- **Parish Adult Choir Rehearsal:** Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Choir Rehearsal Room
- **Youth Band Rehearsal:** Wednesdays, 7 pm, CLC Lower Level
- **Circle #6:** Monday, 1:30 pm, Chiles Room
- **Singles Bridge:** Mondays, 6 pm, 201-C
- **Worship Committee:** Monday, 6 pm
- **Circle #10:** Tuesday, 10 am, 204
- **BOH Benevolence Team:** Tuesdays, Noon, Vestal UMC
- **History & Records Committee:** Tuesday, 4 pm, 201-C
- **Congregational Care Committee:** Tuesday, 6 pm
- **Trustees:** Wednesday, 5:30 pm, 201-A
- **BOH Food Co-Op:** Thursday, 9 am, Vestal UMC
- **Soup Kitchen:** Thursdays, 11 am, Parish Hall
- **Covid Task Force:** Thursdays, 3 pm
- **Circle #9 Zoom:** Thursday, 6:30 pm
- **Lydia Circle:** Friday, 12 pm (noon), Chiles Room

Our Prayers

Christian love and sympathy to:

The family and friends of Humberto (Bert) Poveda, father of Keith Poveda, who died on January 2.

In the Hospital:

Bob Paulson: Parkwest
Susan Olfe: Creekview Health Rehab

Our Gifts

December 24 (Christmas Eve) and December 26

Contributions toward Budget - \$84,137.77

Building Fund - \$50,225.00

Other - \$8,249.23

Wesley Foundation Christmas Eve Offering - \$4,398.09

January 2

Contributions toward Budget - \$18,186.50

Building Fund - \$225.00

Other - \$16,678.50

Our Presence

January 2

Online Worship - 178

In-Person Worship - 205

8:30 am - 74

11 am - 122

Nursery - 9

Memorials

Denny Bellingrath

UMW Missions: Mike & Jean Galyon

Philip H. Carrier

Chancel Enhancement: Mike & Jean Galyon

Dr. James R. Carroll, Jr.

Chancel Enhancement: Mike & Jean Galyon

Memorial Fund: Doug & Malessa Mason

Rosemary Creech

UMW Missions: Mike & Jean Galyon

Benjamin Goodson

Building Fund: Rik & Valeta Norris

Memorial Fund: Gretchen McKee

William Gray

Music Fund: Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

Dr. Virginia (Ginger) Hood

Building Fund: Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

Wanda Housteau

Beacon of Hope: Mary Lewis

Memorial Fund: Thomas Zachmann

Patrick McCabe

Building Fund: Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox, Rik & Valeta Norris

Music Fund: Bill & Janie Dempster

Lou McNutt

Building Fund: Rik & Valeta Norris, Donna Schroeder, Mary Ellen Smethells

Benevolence Fund: Discovery Class

Music Fund: Robert & Amy Cathey, Randy Williams & Janice McCoy, Dawn von Weisenstein, Betty Craig,

Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox, Verna McLain, Dan & Julia Kelley, Dr. Wayne & Sylvia Davis, Ed & Valerie Nicholson,

Norma Conklin, Ann Warwick, Jim & Nancy Staub, Anonymous

Wesley House: Troy & Katie Logan, Peggy Tillery, Janice Hixson

Lois Jean Murdock

Beacon of Hope: Mary Lewis

Building Fund: Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

Cole Piper

Benevolence Fund: Mike & Jean Galyon

Building Fund: Rik & Valeta Norris

Honorariums

Rev. Tim Best

Ministers' Discretionary

Fund: Joyce Tapscott

Aaron Blake

Online Ministries: Jo, David & Jack Lynch

Rev. Palmer Cantler

Ministers' Discretionary

Fund: Joyce Tapscott

James H. Cheatham

Soup Kitchen: Dan, Jenny & Sarah Cheatham

Church Street Staff

Wesley House: Kate Spencer

Class of 2022

Youth Department: James & Caroline Lamar

David Collins

Youth Ministry: Mary Kirby Collins

Jenny Cross

Youth Ministry: Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

Edie Johnson

Master Arts Series: Fay Adams

Music Fund: Joyce Tapscott,

David & Nancy Goodson, Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

Rev. Catherine Nance

Ministers' Discretionary

Fund: Joyce Tapscott

Polly Ailor Tullock

Soup Kitchen: Jim Boehms

UMW Circle #11

UMCOR Disaster Relief: Stephanie Boyd

Rev. Jan Buxton Wade

Ministers' Discretionary

Fund: Joyce Tapscott

Tim Ward

Hon. Pamela Reeves

Building Fund: Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

Rebecca Couper Rogers

UMW Missions: Gwen Rogers

Herman Sain

Music Fund: Mike & Jean Galyon, Thomas Hood, Patricia Hale, Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

John Scott

Building Fund: Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

Soup Kitchen: Mike & Lynda Faulkner

Sterchi Lodge: Mike & Jean Galyon

Claire Shepherd

Chancel Enhancement: Mike & Jean Galyon

Nancy Starnes

Building Fund: Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

Richard Sterchi

Christmas Offering: Cynthia Thompson

Andrew Thurman

Youth Ministry: Joyce Tapscott, Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

Matthew Woodson

Youth Ministry: Joyce Tapscott, Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox, Mike & Jean Galyon

Master Arts Series: Fay Adams

Music Fund: Joyce Tapscott, Bennett & Mary Ellen Cox

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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.

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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