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Summer Lecture Series

DR. JOHN W. WELLS
JULY 10 | 9:30AM
PARISH HALL, CSUMC

Dr. Wells will share a presentation titled, "**The Limits of Secularism.**" In the last decade, "nones," or those who express no religious affiliation, are on the rise. We will examine this phenomenon and ask the questions: is America losing its religion or is it being religious differently? What do we stand to lose as a society if we no longer share a common moral framework? How might the UMC adapt to this changing reality? Dr. Wells became the twenty-second president of Emory & Henry College on July 1, 2019 after having served as the chief academic officer at three higher education institutions. *Dr. Wells will join us as a worship leader this Sunday in the nave.*

Sunday, July 17: Rev. Dr. Hank Jenkins

Sunday, July 24: Dr. Manuela Ceballos

All are invited and welcome to join together in the Parish Hall for these lectures -- light breakfast fare will be provided.

Summer closet clean-out? Help Our Sharing Shops earn KARM gift cards!



While the Beacon of Hope Sharing Shop no longer accepts donations of clothing on site, one VERY helpful way to help BOH and find a new home for your clothing items is to donate them to a local KARM Store and share Church Street's name when you drop off your donation. KARM then donates KARM Stores gift cards for Church Street to share with guests at Beacon of Hope and Sharing Shop at Church Street, which is very helpful guests needing to shop for clothing or household items. Thank you for your support of BOH. Email Beth Kahn at beaconofhopevestal@gmail.com with questions. Be prepared to share the church's phone number (865-524-3048).



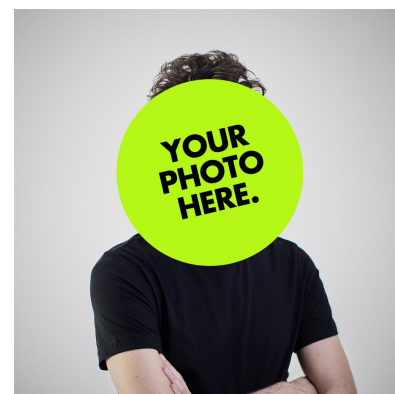
MAD in the City Begins Sunday

Every summer, our youth department and a cadre of adult supporters endeavor on a week-long mission project right here in Knoxville called Making a Difference (MAD) in the City. Youth will work with Wesley House, Beacon of Hope, Operation Backyard and have fun activities with each other in the week ahead. We send prayers for fruitful mission work, spiritual wisdom, and abundant fellowship to all participating this week. More news to come next week after this important work is completed!

Time for your new close-up!

We are updating our internal Church Street directory, and most of the photos our clergy and staff use *for identification purposes* are outdated because we have not printed a church directory in many years. It's easy to share an updated photo, and we have several options for doing so below:

1. **Option 1** - Send an email with a current 'selfie' photo or updated headshot of you and your name (a family photo is fine and we



can use the same photo for partners/children) to nkeen@churchstreetumc.org.

2. **Option 2** - Come to the church office during business hours and a member of our front office staff will take a photo of you.
3. **Option 3** - On Sundays in July, visit the church's Welcome Center between 9-9:15 am or immediately following second service and someone from our staff will take an updated photo of you.

A formal/dressy photo is not necessary -- this is not for printing or publication, just to help our newer clergy and staff match names with updated photos as we continue to meet and get to know members of this church family.

Train to be a Frontline Helper for our Neighbors



July 14, 1-4 pm - Frontline 1 - Responding to Requests for Assistance

Vestal United Methodist Church (115 Ogle Ave, Knoxville, TN 37920)

Have you ever been approached and asked, "Hey, can you help me?" Did the experience leave you unsettled, questioning and wondering if you handled it well? Helping people is what Benevolence is all about, but it can be tough, and cause stress, burnout, and turnover in your church or organization. This work can also be the most rewarding thing you will ever do. Compassion Coalition wants to help alleviate your stress and burnout so you can make the most out of your helping ministry. This in-depth training offers the tools to help you answer those requests for assistance with confidence. Come learn about verification, 10 best practices, when 'no' is appropriate, and how to help without hurting.

Church Street members and staff are members of Compassion Coalition and may attend this event for free, but **RSVPs are REQUIRED:** email charmin@compassioncoalition.org if you would like attend.

Building Fund Update



Thank you for your special offerings. You have made an impact **already** in our interest payments, lowering it from \$2,000 to \$500 per month! That means most of our monthly loan payment is now applied to the principal. Some of you have promised or pledged, and we are grateful for that. If you have

not already given or have made a pledge to our building campaign – help us be debt free in 2023!

Let's see if our loan balance of \$181,722 can disappear! Make a pledge online or by check (add Building Fund in your memo line)

Worship Opportunities

Sunday, July 10 Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

8:30 & 11 am at 900 Henley Street
Stephen Ministry Sunday (11 am service only)

10 am on *Rejoice!* WBXX-TV & 11 am on YouTube
www.YouTube.com/ChurchStreetUMC

Rev. Catherine Nance
Colossians 1:1-14

Music

If I Take the Wings of the Morning, Julian Dams
Parish Ensemble (8:30 am)
Parish Adult Choir (11 am)

My Song in the Night, Mack Wilberg
Parish Youth Choir (*Rejoice!* and online)

Lectionary Readings for this week:
Amos 7:7-17, Deuteronomy 30:9-14, Colossians 1:1-14, Luke 10:25-37

COVID COMMUNITY TRACKER **MEDIUM** Community Level (Knox County)

Low	Medium	High
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccinesGet tested if you have symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">If you are at high risk for severe illness, talk to your healthcare provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautionsStay up to date with COVID-19 vaccinesGet tested if you have symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Wear a mask indoors in publicStay up to date with COVID-19 vaccinesGet tested if you have symptomsAdditional precautions may be needed for people at high risk for severe illness

Church Street Preschool Receives New Grant!



Congratulations to the Church Street Preschool and Director Beth Cooper-Libby, who were recently awarded a grant from the TN Department of Human Services for nearly \$5,000 for new classroom equipment!

Calendar

See the calendar listings below. 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:** Sundays, 8:30 & 11 am (Stephen Ministry Service, 11 am only), Nave; *Rejoice!* at 10 am (WBXX); YouTube at 11 am
- **Sunday School Classes** meeting In-Person, at 9:40 am Sundays:
 - **Cattywampus** - CLC 122
 - **Covenant** - 309-E
 - **Discovery** - CLC 124
 - **Epworth** - CLC 123
 - **Friends in Christ** - room 202
 - **Followers** - room 310
 - **Murphy Builders** - room 204
 - **Pathfinders** - room 204
 - **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 -- meeting Sundays now through August at 7 pm on Zoom
 - **Parables** - room 118
 - **Partners** - Parlor
 - **Crossroads** - 201-A
 - **Seekers** - 201-C

Upcoming Meetings & Events (by Zoom unless a room is noted):

- **Summer Lecture Series:** Sunday, 9:30 am, Parish Hall
- **MAD In the City:** Sunday-Wednesday
- **Singles Bridge:** Mondays, 6 pm, 201-C
- **Children's Choir Camp:** Monday-Wednesday, 9 am - 2 pm
- **Outreach Event Planning Meeting:** Monday, Sunday 6 pm, 201-A
- **Sterchi Lodge Committee:** Tuesday, 6 pm, 201-A
- **H.O.W. Committee:** Tuesday, 7 pm, Chiles Room
- **Soup Kitchen:** Thursdays, 11 am, Parish Hall

Our Prayers

Christian love and sympathy to:

The family and friends of Shirley Faye Cates, mother of Rick Cates, who died on June 29.

The family and friends of Mark Whitney Jumper, father of Dr. Zac Jumper, who died on June 30 in Arkansas.

In the Hospital:

Duncan White: Knoxville Rehabilitation Hospital

Our Presence

July 3

Online Worship - 178

In-Person Worship - 257

8:30 am - 98

11 am - 159

Our Gifts

June 26

Contributions to Budget - \$8,799.51

Building Fund - \$525.00

Other - \$2,160.00

July 3

Contributions to Budget - \$17,579.01

Building Fund - \$155.00

Other - \$1,911.00

Memorials

Linda Biggers

Beacon of Hope: Judy Penry

Soup Kitchen: Dan & Julia Kelley, Ann Warwick, Loretta Best

Dr. James Crook

Music Fund: Bill & Sandra Roberts

Robert Paulson

Building Fund: David & Gail Paulson

Music Fund: The Paulson Family Trust

Lisa Stanley

Altar Guild Fund: Bill & Sandra Roberts

Building Fund: Loretta Best

Gardens Fund: Ann Warwick

Memorial Fund: William Lauer, Jon Brock, Smoky Mountain Orchid Society

Altar Flowers

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of 2nd Lieutenant James L. Weeks and Colonel and Mrs. Eugene Weeks by the Weeks family.

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.

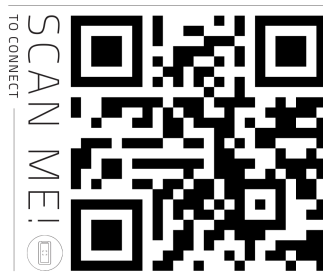
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