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Food for Kids Packing Returns August 8

Church Streeters are invited to join in the packing effort at 6:30 pm in Room 118 (across from the church kitchen) on **August 8**. This is a wonderful time of mission and fellowship -- **please email Beth Stubbs** if you would like to help at beth@cpaoffices.com.



Music News!

Youth Choir Season

and Retreat: The retreat will take place on Friday-Sunday, August 12-14 and is open to all youth grades 6-12. No overnight stay.



The fee is \$30 if you register by August 7. After August 7 the fee is \$50. You may pay online or by check made to CSUMC. Contact Tim Ward at wardtk817@gmail.com for more information.

Children's Choir Preview:

On Sunday, August 14, 3:45-6:15 pm, all children in first through fifth grades are invited to try out our choirs at the Children's Choir Preview.

A brief parent meeting takes place at 6:00 and all will be finished by 6:15. Please contact Edie Johnson ejohnson@churchstreetumc.org for more information.

Four-Course Dinner Group to Resume!

Four Course Dinner Group is Back at Church Street! After 2 1/2 years of pandemic closure, Four-Course Dinner Small Group will resume in September 2022!

If you have joined the church during the pandemic, please give this article close attention — it's a great way to meet friends at Church Street UMC and even if you think you know about this small group, please read on as a few things have changed since last time we met.



Here's the deal: You (plus one) will join 4 to 6 other people making a total of 6 or 8 to a group who, like you, love to socialize, eat, and make friends. Each couple will host a dinner in their home with the others bringing an appetizer and a side dish, salad and bread OR dessert. The host will provide the entree, drinks, and set the table! By the end, you will have each provided part of the meal.

Your dinner group will have 3-4 dinners between Sept. 1, 2022 and Jan. 31, 2023—five months.

To learn more and register: Scan the QR code at right. Please note that the times on the registration form are just the registration period, not when the events/dinners themselves are taking place. Dinner times are to be determined by each group. You and a spouse, partner, or friend will sign up for the group. ****NOTE** - when you register, have one person in your two-person group register for both people so we can identify the pairings! **The deadline to sign up is August 22, 2022.**



If you have questions, please call Ann Reego—865-680-8288 or email ann.reego@gmail.com.

We hope you will join us. We promise you will enjoy every minute!

Appreciation Breakfast for our Outreach and Welcome Team

John 14:2 “In my Father’s house are many rooms” ... *and that is why you need a guide!*

Imagine going to a new place -- a very large place with many big imposing doors -- and trying to find your way without Siri or Alexa or even Google maps!

At Church Street, we have LIVE people who provide that service every Sunday and at special events. You may be one of those valuable volunteers who gives your time during the year to greet, usher, acolyte, or serve as a member of the altar guild. In recognition of your service, we would



like to **invite you to attend a celebration in the Parish Hall on Sunday August 21 from 9:15 to 10 am.**

There will be a light breakfast and an opportunity to mingle with your fellow volunteers who have provided these valuable services over the years.

Coming this Fall at Church Street

Living Forward: A Toolkit for Caregivers

- **When:** Sundays, September 11 & 18, 1-3:30 pm (Lunch & Sign-in at Noon)
- **Where:** Parish Hall
- **What:** Explore the science, tools, and resources needed to assist those living with illnesses and their caregivers.
- **Keynote Speakers:** Dr. Monica Crane of [Genesis Neuroscience Clinic](#), Bishop Kenneth Carder, Rev. Catherine Nance
- **Cost:** \$15 fee for each Sunday you attend, which includes a boxed lunch and goodie bag with tools and resources.



Register by September 7. See insert for more details.

This event is presented by Church Street's Parish Health Ministry Team and other caring ministries. Thanks to our presenting sponsor, Morning Pointe Assisted Living!



KATE BOWLER

A. Orin Bishop Lecture Series

Sunday, October 2, 6 PM
900 Henley Street, Knoxville, TN 37902

Free, ticketed event open to the public
Scan QR code for tickets >>



Kate Bowler is the NYT Bestselling Author of Blessed: A History of the American Prosperity Gospel, Everything Happens for a Reason (and Other Lies I've Loved), No Cure for Being Human, and more.

Learn more about Author/Historian Kate Bowler and **register for the**

October 2 event by scanning the QR code above. You may sign up for yourself and for guests! The lecture begins at 6 pm in the nave, followed by a reception in Parish Hall.

NEW: We are partnering with local bookseller Union Avenue Books for this event! Pre-order your book(s) when you register. *Pay and book pickup happens on the night of the event.* Books available for pre-order & purchase are:

- The Preacher's Wife: The Precarious Power of Evangelical Women
Celebrities: **\$21, paperback**
- Blessed: A History of the American Prosperity Gospel: **\$32, paperback**
- No Cure For Being Human (And Other Truths I Need to Hear): **\$20, paperback**
- Everything Happens for a Reason (And Other Lies I've Loved): **\$19, paperback**
- Good Enough: 40-ish Devotions for a Life of Imperfection: **\$23, hardcover**

Cash, check, and credit cards will be accepted -- you will pay Union Avenue Books directly, and they will share a portion of sales with the Church Street Education Ministry.

Worship Opportunities

Sunday, August 7
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

8:30 & 11 am at 900 Henley Street
Holy Communion

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

Rev. Timothy Best
Luke 12:32-40

Music

Keep Your Lamps, Spiritual, arr. André Thomas
Parish Ensemble (8:30 am)
Parish Adult Choir (11 am)

O Rest in the Lord from *Elijah*, Felix Mendelssohn
Layr Hough, Soloist

Come and Taste, arr. Alice Parker
Parish Adult Choir (Rejoice! and online)

Lectionary Readings for this week:

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20, Genesis 15:1-6, Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16, Luke 12:32-40

COVID Community Level is HIGH

The CDC Covid Community Level is **high** in our county, which indicates that individuals should wear a well-fitting mask indoors in public, regardless of vaccination status. Masks are available in the Welcome Center, Narthex and Chapel Hallway, or you may ask a greeter or usher for one.

**The COVID-19 community level is determined by the higher of the new admissions and inpatient beds metrics, based on the current level of new cases per 100,000 population in the past 7 days.*

COVID COMMUNITY TRACKER

HIGH Community Level (Knox County) - Please Mask Indoors

Low	Medium	High
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines Get 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 precautions Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines Get tested if you have symptoms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wear a mask indoors in public Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines Get tested if you have symptoms Additional precautions may be needed for people at high risk for severe illness

Spotlight on: Confirmation Orientation 2022-2023

Confirmation Orientation for all 6th graders and their parents will take place on **Sunday, August 14, during the Sunday School hour**, beginning in Parish

Hall. Confirmation is a special time to allow students to explore their faith in Jesus Christ, learn more about The United Methodist Church, and make a deeper commitment to a life of Christian discipleship. The 9-month class during the Sunday School hour is designed to help students and parents grow together in their faith through various activities within and beyond the classroom.



Every Confirmation Class is special! This year's Confirmation Class will be special in that our senior pastor, Rev. Catherine Nance will be more involved, as will the parents of confirmands. The orientation session will provide an overview of the entire year, expectations of students and parents and a time to ask questions. We look forward to seeing all our 6th grade students and their parents on Sunday, August 14! If you have any questions, contact Jenny Cross, Director of Youth Ministries at jcross@churchstreetumc.org.

Pictured above is the 2021-22 Confirmation Class from CSUMC.

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, 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** - on hiatus until September
 - **Followers** - room 310
 - **Murphy Builders / 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** - meeting Sundays now through August at 7 pm on Zoom
 - **Parables** - 118
 - **Partners** - Parlor
 - **Crossroads** - 201-A
 - **Seekers** - 201-C

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

- **Singles Bridge:** Mondays, 6 pm, 201-C
- **Food for Kids Packing:** Monday, 6:30 pm, room 118
- **SASH:** Tuesday, 6 pm
- **Congregational Care Committee:** Tuesday, 6 pm
- **Trustees:** Wednesday, 5:30 pm, 201-A
- **Stephen Leaders:** Thursday, 10:30 am
- **Soup Kitchen:** Thursdays, 11 am, Parish Hall
- **Youth Choir Retreat:** Friday-Saturday, Choir Rooms

Our Prayers

Christian love and sympathy to:

The family and friends of William (Bill) Eugene Hughes, father of David Hughes, who died on July 29 in Mississippi.

The family and friends of Anna Elmore, mother of Jeff Elmore, who died on July 31.

Baptisms:

Claire Danielle Massie and Michael Kelley Massie, daughter and son of Ryan and Julie Massie, were baptized on July 31.

New Members:

Carruth and Mary McGehee joined by transfer from William B. Reily Memorial University UMC in Louisiana on July 31. Amanda Fleetwood and Joseph

Wilson joined by transfer from Trinity UMC in Maryland and Brentwood UMC in Brentwood, TN, respectively.

Our Presence

July 31 - 442 Total

Online Worship - 140

In-Person Worship - 302

8:30 am - 106

11 am - 177

Nursery - 19

Memorials

Linda Biggers

Soup Kitchen: Jim Boehms

Bob & Norma Goff and Arthur Bayer

General Fund: Cathy & Jeff Goff

Betty McNeil

Memorial Fund: Dr. Wayne & Sylvia Davis, Patti Kelley

Youth Fund: Kathie Musick Bemis

Catherine Miles

Conversations on Race: Kathie Musick Bemis

Virginia Rowlett

Ukraine Fund: Cathy & Jeff Goff

Lisa Stanley

Memorial Fund: Sarah & Chris Wimberly

Virginia White

Memorial Fund: Sarah & Chris Wimberly

Honorariums

Ann Marie Tugwell

A.M. Tugwell Youth Scholarship

Fund: Stephen Cross

Zoanne Bayer

Music Fund: Cathy & Jeff Goff

Altar Flowers

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of A. Orin Bishop and Ethel Bishop by the Bishop 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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Please call the church office to reach a specific member of our staff.



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