

The Messenger
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PHOTO OF THE WEEK: A few weeks ago, a group of volunteers gathered in room 118 to fill hundreds of take home bags for children in local schools through the Second Harvest Food for Kids program. Thanks to Beth Stubbs and all who join in this regular mission effort that supports kids here in East TN!

Worship Opportunities

Sunday, March 19

Fourth Sunday of Lent

UMCOR Sunday

As followers of Jesus Christ, we are called to respond with extravagant grace. Through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), we are able to make a difference in the lives of communities and individuals whose lives have been upset by storms, wars, fires, displacement and climate change. This offering underwrites UMCOR's "costs of doing business," allowing UMCOR to keep the promise that 100% of any gift to a specific UMCOR project will go toward that project, not administrative costs.

Rev. Catherine Nance

Psalm 23

8:30 & 11 am at 900 Henley Street

Rejoice! at 11 am on YouTube

www.YouTube.com/ChurchStreetUMC

Music

The Father's Love, Simon Lole
Primary & Chorister Choirs; Parish Youth Trebles (Rejoice! online)

The Lord is My Shepherd, Allen Pote
Parish Youth Choir (8:30 am, nave)

The Lord is My Shepherd from *Requiem*, John Rutter
Parish Adult Choir; Claire Chenette, Oboe; Anne Jackson, Harp (11 am, nave)

Lectionary Readings for this week:

1 Samuel 16:1-13, Psalm 23, Ephesians 5:8-14, John 9:1-41



Coming Up at Church Street

**Caregiver Support Group: Tuesday, March 21
in CLC 120, 10-11:30 am**

Speaker: Kimberly Way and Jerica Potter, Caris
Hospice

Topic: Hospice Care: Services provided and what it
means



The first 30 minutes will be devoted to the topic; the
remainder of the time will be spent as a support group.

Vicky Shelton and Valerie Nicholson, both medical professionals, have
developed a plan for the care receivers of those participating in the support
group. This will take place in CLC 123, and is based on models from Adult
Daycare, Memory Care, and Senior Adult exercise programs. This will provide
the socialization and stimulation which is so important to the health and well-
being of your loved one.

If you would like to participate or if you have questions, please reply to PHMT@churchstreetumc.org. Also, please indicate if your care receiver will be with you so that Vicky and Valerie know how to plan.

CONNECT WITH KNOXVILLE'S DOWNTOWN CHURCHES FOR
Wednesday Noon Lenten Services with Lunch

3/1

First Baptist Church

3/8

Church Street UMC with guests from Crossings Knoxville

3/15

Immaculate Conception Church

3/22

St. John's Episcopal Cathedral

3/29

First Presbyterian Church



This year, we are praying for our mission partners near and far through our

actions. There are two different opportunities for serving together for Missions Day of Service on **Saturday, March 25**:

10AM-Noon: In the morning, our projects in the Parish Hall will focus on feeding our neighbors, by baking cookies for our Soup Kitchen guests, packing food buckets for Zimbabwe, and making soup mixes for the Wesley House Food Pantry.

Noon-2pm: In the afternoon, our projects in the Gym are to help prepare our mission partners in the work that they do. We will prepare hygiene and cleaning kits for the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), make detergent for the Wesley House Food Pantry, and assemble snack bags for our Soup Kitchen guests.

If you're interested in participating, please register by visiting the Sign Up Genius website at bit.ly/42cb5m1. Each project is family friendly and intergenerational. Join us as we serve together and pray that the work of our hands, as the hands and feet of Christ, will last.

Weekend of Prayer

For those not attending or physically unable to help at the Missions Day of Service at Church Street, the Holston Conference is convening a Weekend of Prayer. Information is below!

What: Weekend of Prayer: a Pray Together Event

When: Saturday, March 25, 2023 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Where: Choose from 4 locations across our conference:

- Cokesbury UMC, Knoxville, TN (Main location)
- Christ UMC, Chattanooga, TN (simulcast)
- Dublin UMC, Dublin, VA (simulcast)
- State Street UMC, Bristol, VA (simulcast)

Why: Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett announced her Holston Conference Initiative to "Pray Together" at the 2022 Annual Conference. Since that time you have received prayers by email, been invited to participate in our ongoing PrayerLab, and have been asked to pray for different things throughout the year. Now it is time for us to gather across the conference for a time of intentional prayer.

How: We will spend time learning and practicing ACTS prayers: Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, and Supplication. In addition, Rev. Sue Nilson Kibbey will be with us to teach Breakthrough Prayers. As we wrap up our day together, Bishop Wallace-Padgett will lead us in a time of Communion.

Why are we calling it a Weekend of Prayer versus a Day of Prayer?

Our hope is that churches from across the conference will continue our Prayer Together Theme the next day, Sunday, March 26, 2023. This can be done in a number of ways: from designing an entire prayer service to taking time within your worship to pray for the ministries of the other churches in the Holston Conference. Additional resources are available on holston.org/prayer-

resources.

We are gathering for a time of prayer, but we are also seeking a movement from the Holy Spirit to sweep across the Holston Conference. Your presence and your prayers are vitally important. Will you join us?

Register by visiting <https://holston-reg.brtapp.com/2023WeekendofPrayer>.



At our next Master Arts Series event, Church Street welcomes **The Tallis Scholars** on Friday, April 14 at 7:30 pm in the nave. A ticket is required for this performance; they are available at our website for \$30 each at www.churchstreetumc.org/master-arts. Join the Master Arts Series for what the New York Times calls "the rock stars of Renaissance vocal music."

Announcements



If you are interested in being an usher for our worship services, please contact Judy Thompson at vironntn@gmail.com or call 865-805-8402.

All are welcome to join the Open Door Sunday School class on Sunday, March 19 to hear Rev. Catherine Nance share "Not Quite Seven Last Words — Comparing the Passion Narratives in the Four Gospels." The Open Door Sunday School class meets in Parish Hall at 9:40am.



If you would like to support Church Street Kids by making a donation of items, please bring them to Katryn Bancroft's office on Sunday mornings. Or make a monetary donation online by visiting www.churchstreetumc.org/give.

+ *Our Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, April 8 at 10 am in Whitlow Park!*



Check out our Children's Summer Activities! Learn more and find the registration links for everything at:

www.churchstreetumc.org/childrens-ministry

Children's Choir Camp

CSUMC Children's Choir Camp will take place Monday, July 10 to Wednesday, July 12 from 9 am - 2 pm each day. This camp, open to rising first through rising fifth graders will include singing, music theory games, hand chime sessions, delicious lunches and snacks, a trip to World's Fair Park Fountains, and bowling! Cost is \$50 per child.

Children's choir is pictured above on 3/5 singing to residents at Arbor Terrace. (photo courtesy of Katie Heatherly)



**CAMP
HOGWARTS**

Camp Hogwarts

Meet us on Platform 9 3/4 from June 6-7, 9:15 am – 4:30 pm for an adventure to Hogwarts! This camp for rising 1st through rising 5th graders is two days of FUN. Cost is \$50 per child.



**VBS
2023**

VBS - Hero Hotline coming to Church Street!

Join us in the evenings between June 26 to 29! At 5:30 pm each evening, a free dinner will be offered, then from 6 – 8 pm, we will use Hero Hotline to follow the heroes in the Bible as examples to follow God.

Calendar

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, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave; *Rejoice!* on YouTube at 11 am

Sunday School Classes meeting In-Person, at 9:40 am Sundays:

- **Cattywampus** - CLC 123
- **Covenant** - 309-E
- **Discovery** - CLC 124
- **Epworth** - CLC 120
- **Friends in Christ** - 202

Upcoming Meetings & Events

Stephen Ministry: Sundays, 12:15 pm, 201A

Lenten Study - Adam Hamilton's *Jesus/Outsiders*: Sundays, 4 pm, CLC 123

Singles Bridge: Mondays, 6 pm, 201C

Caregiver Support Group:

- **Followers** - room 310
- **Murphy Builders / Pathfinders** - 204
- **Parables** - 118
- **Potter's Wheel** - Chiles room
- **Seekers** - 201-C
- **Youth** - CLC
- **Children** - Education building second and third floors

Sunday School Classes Meeting in person and online (hybrid) currently, at 9:40 am on Sundays:

- **Open Door** - Parish Hall
- **Partners** - Parlor
- **Crossroads** - 201-A

Youth Choir Rehearsal - Sundays, 3:45 pm, Rehearsal Room

CS Kids Afternoons - Sundays, 3:45 pm, Gym

Children's Choir Dinner & Rehearsal - Sunday, 4:45 pm, Parish Hall & Rehearsal Room

Youth Dinner & Nightlife - Sundays, 3:45 pm, Rehearsal Room

College Bible Study - Sundays, 8 pm, CLC Lower Level

Downtown Lenten Worship & Lunch: Wednesday, 12 pm, St. John's Episcopal Cathedral

Parish Adult Choir Rehearsal - Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, Rehearsal Room

Youth Band - Wednesdays, 7 pm, CLC Lower Level

Tuesday, 9:30 am, CLC 120

Grief Group: Tuesdays, 11 am, Parlor

History & Record Committee: Tuesday, 5 pm, 201-C Seekers

Lenten Study - *Five Marks of a Methodist*: Wednesdays, 6:30 pm, 204

Soup Kitchen: Thursdays, 11 am, Parish Hall

Line Dance Lessons: Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Gym

+ **Church Council:** Tuesday, March 28, 6 pm, Chapel

Our Prayers

New Arrival

Hattie Catherine Berkley, daughter of Hannah & Shelby Berkley, was born on March 13. Maternal grandparents are Marc and Darla Gamble, and proud aunt is Erin Gamble.

Our Presence

March 12 - 347 Total
Online Worship - 145
In-Person Worship - 202
 8:30 am - 58
 11 am - 135
 Nursery - 9

Memorials

Gale Cifers Pettit

Memorial Fund: Anne & Harry DeSaix

Sarah Shanks

Stephen Ministry Fund: Anonymous

Altar Flowers

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Susan Moeller and Col. Gene Moeller by Betty, Diane and Mike.

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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