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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

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WONDERFUL DAY OF WORSHIP!

Last Sunday was a wonderful day of glorifying God through two powerful worship experiences! Fuad and Nick Reveiz brought the word and through their testimonies God really did show us His way of handling life's tough decisions! May each of us be willing to commit our way to the Lord in 2012!

The total attendance at 10:45 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. was 165. While many of that number were counted in both services, we can see the potential if we continue to faithfully and consistently offer two worship services at alternate times with alternate styles.

Will you join the elders and me in praying for the growth of First Church in 2012? Please pray that we can reach families and individuals for Christ; that we will be true to the Great Commission and the Great Commandment; that we will decide we are going to provide as many open doors as possible for people of all backgrounds and needs and preferences to come to the Lord this year.

Are you available as a committed follower and devoted disciple to see that God's will is done at First Church? Are you willing to do whatever it takes to see His Church grow?

INSTALLATION OF NEW ELDERS THIS SUNDAY!

A service of installation for new elders Phil Bridges, Dianne Pipkin and Steve Summers will be held this coming Sunday, January 15 at the conclusion of the 10:45 a.m. worship service. All three have previously been ordained. Please pray for and encourage them as they begin three-year terms!

SCOUT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12!



First Church is looking forward to our annual "Scout Sunday" worship celebration Sunday, February 12, 10:45 a.m. The service will include Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and American Heritage girls, their leaders, families, and friends! All of the wonderful scouting organizations who meet in our facility will be well represented and will participate in all parts of the service!

This is also your opportunity to invite your family, friends, neighbors, co-workers and classmates to meet the congregation and enjoy the outstanding partnership we share with scouting!



YOU ARE INVITED TO THE LORD'S TABLE!

Sunday, January 29, 10:45 a.m. we will observe the sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time in 2012. We will also be commemorating the 202nd anniversary of the founding of the Cumberland Presbyterian denomination in Dickson, Tennessee (actual date is February 4, 1810).

Come prepared to experience God's forgiveness and grace through the broken body and shed blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Elders who will be serving Communion are asked to be present in the sanctuary by 10:30 a.m. to complete preparations.



NEXT 'NIGHT OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP!'

Sunday, February 12, 6:00 p.m. "God's Radical Love!"

featuring

Our Outstanding Praise and Worship Team and the Pastor's Message

Everyone is Invited!!!

-Pastor Kevin



Join Us For Worship this Sunday! And bring a friend!



Happy Birthday



<u>January</u>

16-Betty Hammill 17-Alice Montgomery 20-Ryan Hoy



Activities for January 15–21, 2012

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Tues., 11:00 a.m. West Circle Weds., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Sat., 10:00 a.m. Rebeccas Circle—Perkins

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for January 8, 2012

Sunday School	51
Worship	
Offering (AM)	\$2,991.25
Offering (PM)	
Capital Improvements Fund	
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WEST CIRCLE

Will meet on Tuesday, January 17, 2012 at 11am in the Keene Room. Please bring a sandwich – drinks and dessert will be provided. We welcome all the ladies of the church to come and join us.

SESSION MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Session will be held Tuesday, January 17, 7:00 p.m. in the Keene Room. All elders are encouraged to be present.

THANK YOU

To my church family -

Thank you for your prayers, cards, phone calls, and kind words of encouragement during my recent illness.

It means so much to have friends like you who care and who I can count on for prayer support.

God bless, Phil Bridges

Tim Bridges

Dear Church Family,

On behalf of the Cursey Family, we would like to thank you for the beautiful floral spray sent to Lucille's funeral.

We are grateful for your cards and prayers of support for our family during this difficult this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Dianne & J. David

If you may have wanted to see Hailey Davis compete in a gymnastics meet, now is your chance. She and her team compete at the Ozone Invitational in Knoxville' convention center next Monday, Jan 16 at 11:30 a.m.



Prayer Concerns In the Hospital



On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

CP Missionaries; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Reba Smith; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Mary Cregger; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Gladys Stone; Mildred Acuff (in Brakebill); A. R. Wood; Maxine McGuire; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bud & Betty Hickman; Jackie Turbbeyville (Jim Curtis's niece); Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Lucas Lacascio (former student of Wendy Goodrich) battling a recurrence of a brain tumor; Jessie Black, Shannondale (Ann Bachman's mother, cancer); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); J.B. & Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis parents); Ann Redding (Andrea Golliher's mother); Marlene Ritchey; Brian Migas; Richard H. Zimmerman (Richard Zimmerman's father); Marlena Livesay, daughter of Sara Woodcox (Pastor's neighbor); Tom Holbert (Bonnie Holbert's son, cancer); Ann Jennings (friend of Greg Beeler, terminal cancer); Colonel Bob Long, USAF (retired), cancer and Colonel Bud Day, USAF (Ret). POW VIETNAM (friends of Cliff Parrott); Dick Booher; the family of Lucille Hester Cursey (J. David's sister, Dianne Pipkin's aunt); Tara Null (friend of Lindsay Hammill Duncan); Taylor Ford.

Please keep the Church Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes to our Prayer Concerns list.

Call 588-8581 or email firstcpc@earthlink.net.

LAY CORNER

Look to the Lord to guide you in all things, big & small! Whether you turn to the left or to the right, your ears will hear a voice behind you saying,

"This is the way; walk in it."" ~Isaiah 30:21

PROGRAM HELP

We are looking for persons to help in all areas of our church's ministries. We are looking to expand our reach in the areas of: Seniors, Youth, Women, Men, Consignment Sale, Charity Sale, Silent Auction, Talent Shows, Advertising, Fund Raising, Cooking, Kitchen, Bulletin boards, Liaison to each facility user group, etc. Many other things to do can be found for you if you want to volunteer. Do you have any event that you would like to suggest that we try? Like ~ Ice Cream supper, a Valentines dinner, etc. If you do let the office know.

PRESBYTERY OF EAST TENNESSEE DENOMINATIONAL BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Shiloh C. P. Church in Greeneville will be host church for our annual Denomination Day birthday celebration Sunday, January 29, 3:30 p.m. A called meeting of the presbytery will follow the service. Pastors and elders who attended the regular meeting of presbytery last October will automatically serve as delegates to this called meeting.