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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

February 11, 2009

SCOUT SUNDAY—A NEW RECORD!

Several new records were set during Scout Sunday last Sunday. For the first time we had boy scouts, cub scouts, and girl scouts and their families represented. It may not have been an all-time attendance record but there were 203 people present!

What a joy to know First Church is home to some of the best scouting organizations anywhere! Boy Scout Troop 20, Cub Scout Pack 20, Girl Scout Daisy Troop 173, Girl Scout Brownie Troop 1006 and Girl Scout Junior Troop 959 all meet with us on a regular basis, some weekly, others monthly. But we are thankful for them all!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STORIES!

Special thanks to all of you who shared your faith stories! The book, "Our Faith Stories---First Cumberland Presbyterian Church" will be available Sunday, February 22 in the narthex. Each family is encouraged to take one and use them each day during the season of Lent which begins Wednesday, February 25 (Ash Wednesday).

Since I will not be compiling the book until next week, you still have time to write your story if you haven't already. Email it, or bring it or phone it in. The final deadline is this Sunday, February 15.

CAN YOU HELP THIS FAMILY?

A family has some special needs for the home. Good used items or new items are welcome. Check out the list below and see if you can help:

Living Room Furniture Seven sets of drapes (57"x32")

Bed Linen (full size)

Blankets

Two Full Size Bed Spreads Bath Towels, Hand Towels, Wash Cloths

Throw Rugs Pots & Pans
Toaster Kitchen Knives

Mixing Bowls Used Electric Washer & Dryer

Ladies Winter Coat (Size 8-12)

Please call 588-8581 or 228-0710. Thank you!

"THE TRUTH PROJECT" IS COMING TO FIRST CHURCH!

"What is Truth?"

What does the Bible say about Truth?

Why did Jesus say He came? Read John 18:37.

If you would like to be involved in the most intense study of Truth ever, you can sign up for the small group experience the next three Sundays. Look for the bulletin insert.

PIONEER CLUBS MEALS AND SCHEDULE

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to do meals for Pioneer Clubs over the next several months! The schedule is:

February 15---Jeff and Andrea Golliher March 15--- Valerie Wann

February 22--- Jane Carroll & Wendy Goodrich March 22--- Mike and Ann Bachman

March 8--- Kevin and Nancy Wood

Pioneer Clubs is the future of our church and your support of this ministry is greatly appreciated! Pioneer Clubs meets every Sunday evening from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS HAS BEGUN!

A brand new Sunday School class is underway and you can join them this Sunday, February 15, 9:30 a.m. Rev. J. David Hester is leading the class in a new study entitled "Called to Be God's People!"

"YOUNG EARTH SEMINAR," EXPANDED EDITION

Frank Galbraith and Fred Mynatt invite everyone to an expanded edition of their "Young Earth Seminar," this Saturday, February 14, 10:00 a.m. at Union CP Church, 400 Everett Road in Farragut. A time for questions and fellowship will follow.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB FEBRUARY FLING!

The Friendship Club invites everyone 55 and older to join them for their February fling Wednesday, February 18, 11:00 a.m. at Sullivan's Fine Food at Rocky Hill, 7545 Northshore Drive (694-9696). Sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office or call us (588-8581).

SPECIAL SESSION RETREAT

The annual Session Retreat has been set for Sunday, February 22 following morning worship. All elders are encouraged to attend. A pizza lunch will be provided in the Keene Room before the retreat begins.

"RENAISSANCE" IS COMING MARCH 8!

Our favorite college choir, "Renaissance," representing Bethel College in McKenzie, Tennessee, will be leading us in worship Sunday, March 8, 10:45 a.m. We are thrilled to have "Renaissance" include us as one of the stops on their spring tour. Tell everyone you can to reserve the date and come with you. You and they will be blessed right out of your socks! A free-will offering will be taken using donation plates in the narthex following the service.

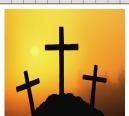
We will also host one of our patented, home-cooked potluck luncheons on the 8^{th,} so plan now to bring plenty of meats, salads, vegetables, and desserts to share with our hungry college family!

It will be a great day of praise and fellowship!!!

~Pastor Kevin







Happy Birthday



February 9-Nick Deal 19-Chris Curtis 19-Justin Curtis



Activities for February 15-21, 2009

Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
	4:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir practice
	4:00 p.m.	Pioneer Club—Sullivan's
Tues.,	6:00 p.m.	Session
Wed.,	11:00 a.m.	Friendship Club
	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Sat.,	10:00 a.m.	Rebeccas Circle—Perkins
	11:00 a.m.	Upward Basketball Games

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for February 8, 2009

Sunday School	41
Worship	
Offering	
Capital Improvements Fund	\$195.00
Memorial/Building Fund	\$250.00
Expenses paid last week	\$2,815.91

Year-to-Date (as of February 8, 2009)

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Offerings received to date:	\$21,977.57
Facility usage fees received to date	\$7,010.00
Expenses paid to date:	\$25,027.67
Building / Cap. Improve. Fund	\$102,915.55

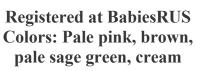


DONUT SALE

The Pioneer Club Kids are having a fund raiser by selling donuts. Krispy Kreme donuts. Can you smell them. UMMMM! Sale started February 8 and last until February 22. The cost is \$6 for a box of 12. See one of the kids to buy yours.

All the ladies of the church are invited

to a baby shower for Courtney McCurry Sunday, March 1st at 3:00pm Keene Room







Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital



On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Taylor Ford; CP Missionaries; Brack Emory; Mary Jane Blaylock; Ileana Grace Hayes; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Priscilla McCoy; Margaret Lindsay; Mary Cregger; William Barron; Joyce Creasman; Jonathan Migas; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Lois Witmer; Elena Zimmerman; Gladys Stone; Lea & Mildred Acuff; A. R. Wood: Lisa Deal and baby; JoAnn Ford; Maxine McGuire; Pat Booher; Fred Johnson; Millie Jones; Steve Goodrich; Marlene Ritchey; Irene Brooks; Doug Bailey; Marjorie Thompson; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Gordon Blaylock; Bridget, daughter of John Lindley; Rex Holt; Lisa Teknus; The Cooper Children; Tyler, Becca and Skylar Meece; Bud & Betty Hickman; Brenda Ball; Cecil Presnell; Irene Marshall; Stephen Park (health and family); Upward Basketball and Pioneer Club Ministries; Pam Wisner; Bill Taylor (Becky Rader's brother-in-law); Samantha Caruso (student of Wendy Goodrich) and her mother, Susan Caruso at the death of brother and son, Jimmy Breeden; Dorothy Smith (friend of the Gastons); Sheena Richardson Beal; Jody Holl (sister of a co-worker of Leah Witmer); Bob Moore (father of co-worker of Allison Davis).

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

Nursery Help Needed!

Our Nursery worker Mary Ann Watkins sings with a choral group from Johnson Bible College and will be traveling with that group on February 15, March 8, March 22 and April 5. We will need substitutes for these Sundays. Please call Dianne Pipkin if you can help.

Needed & Give Away Items

Needed Items: a clothes washing machine, a used car, an engine for a Toyota (call for information), firewood, canning jars (quart or pint).

Give Away Items: a gas dryer in good working condition. Please call the office for information on the above items. If you have good give away items or need an item call the church office and we will add to our list.

Directory Update

Mary Cregger, 1115 Gregory Oaks Lane, 37912