

The Cumberland

Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Inc.

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

October 3, 2007

The Crossing

**First Church's New Youth Group
for Grades 6-12**

Invites You to

"JUMP TO IT!"

Sunday, October 21, 2007

7610 Maynardville Highway

5:00-7:00 p.m.

**Optional transportation will be provided from
the church at 4:15 p.m.; picking up at 7:45 p.m.**

Bring \$10 for admissions and pizza

**For more info on this and future youth group activities
contact John and Lindsay Duncan at 300-2226**

"FLEX" SMALL GROUP FOR YOUNG ADULTS

This week a new small group for young adults begins meeting at First Church. "Flex" will meet weekly on Tuesday nights at 7:30 p.m. Roy and Hannah Nicaud will be leading the group in fellowship, prayer, Bible study, recreation, eating out, movies, special events, etc.

If you are single, married, college or career, come and hang out!

For more info, call 414-4162.

FALL FUN SUNDAY OCTOBER 28

The youth and children of First Church will be leading our worship service Sunday, October 28 and then travel to "Jump-to-It" for an afternoon of fun, fellowship, and pizza from 2:00-5:00 p.m. Michelle Luttrell and her family own "Jump-to-It" and they have reserved the whole building full of inflatables, games, and food just for us. Toddlers through high schoolers are all welcome!

"Jump-to-It" is located at 7610 Maynardville Highway in Halls. Make your plans now and bring lots of friends who don't have a church!

IN OCTOBER...

...SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7: Worldwide Communion Sunday.

...FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 & 13; "Unhindered" Women's Conference.

...SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14: "Loaves and Fishes" (formerly Love Loaves) offering for world hunger. Offering dedicated on November 18.

...TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16: "The Engaging Church" church growth conference (free for anyone from our church who can attend!)

...WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17: monthly Session meeting.

...SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21: Rev. Bill Ivey, preaching. Monthly covered dish dinner in the gym.

...SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28: "Fall Fun Sunday" for youth and children.

Call the church office for more details (588-8581).

"UNHINDERED"—A WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Please be in prayer for the "Unhindered" Women's Conference coming Friday and Saturday, October 12 and 13! For many women in the Knoxville area this can be a time of life-change, healing, and renewal.

For a brochure containing information, registration, and conference costs, please call the church office (588-8581). A few scholarships are available. Sign up right away and get your worship CD and conference materials. Registrations may be returned to 4815 Kingston Pike, Suite 145, Knoxville, TN 37919.

EAST TENNESSEE PRESBYTERY

East Tennessee Presbytery will meet this Saturday, October 6, 9:00 a.m. at Cedar Hill CP Church, Greeneville. Elder Gene McCammon and pastor Kevin Wood will attend from First Church. For those who are new to the church, the presbytery is made up of 37 churches who meet as a representative body twice a year to make decisions affecting the mission and ministry of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church from as far away as South Korea and Boston to as close as Lenoir City, Oak Ridge, and Knoxville. Please remember this meeting in your prayers!

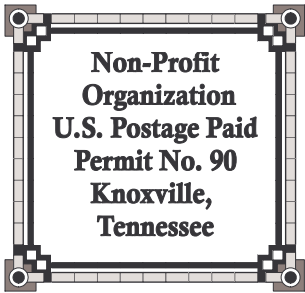
PLEASE LET ME KNOW!

How does a pastor usually know when someone needs a visit? Crystal ball, angelic messenger, handwriting on the wall, angry letter? The best way is to hear from you, the members and friends of the church, when a visit is needed. I am never too busy to see someone if you get the word to me. Thanks for your help in advance!

'ELDER ON CALL' MINISTRY

Beginning this Sunday, October 7 the elders of First Church will begin a new ministry called "Elder on Call." Each week one of them will assist the pastor in leading worship, visitation of the sick and shut-in, and getting more involved in pastoral care of the church family. Please pray for them as they begin this important new ministry. The current elders of our church are Lee Barron, Jewell Kerr, Hugh Morgan, Eugene McCammon, James O'Neal, Steve Summers, Valerie Wann, Lois Witmer and Tom Witmer.

~Pastor Kevin



Happy Birthday

October



10-Bonnie Bridges
10-Lindsay Duncan
10-Donna Walker
13-Dianne Fielder



Activities for October 6- 13, 2007

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
(Librarian on duty)
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
Tues., 7:00 p.m. Building & Grounds
Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. Stewardship & Finance
Thurs., 8:00 a.m. Thursday Connection Classes

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for September 30, 2007

Sunday School.....46
Worship.....82
Offering.....\$3,271.55
Expenses paid last week\$2,805.09

Year-to-Date (as of September 30, 2007)

Offerings received to date: \$114,386.18
Expenses paid to date: \$193,408.38

Update on Building Repairs and Maintenance

Handicap Bathroom is now completed. Thanks to all.
Phase #2 of the roof project has been completed. We are now ready to solicit bids for a new roof. The estimated cost for the new roof to replace the flat roof is \$220,000.
Phase #2 of the HVAC project is well under way. We hope to have the proposal in hand by this week.
If you have any questions or comments about these projects, please contact any member of the Building & Grounds Committee. (Tom Witmer, James O'Neal, Billy Davis, Barbara McCammon, Dick Congdon or Charlie Franks).

Giving Statements

Giving statements for the first 9 months of the year are available in the church office. Please stop by and pick your's up. If you have any questions or need your's mailed to you please contact the church office.

We need Cumberlander reporters. Job will be to provide articles of interest, stories of witness and faith, stories of encouragement and love, stories of praise and thanksgiving, all for publishing in the Cumberlander.



Newsletter
Deadline

All Newsletter articles, events, or announcements should be sent by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesdays to Tom Witmer at firstcpc@earthlink.net or thomaswitmer@Comcast.net or call the church office at 588-8581.
If you would like to receive The Cumberlander via email in PDF format let Tom know.



Prayer Concerns

In the Military

Shane McGhee in Iraq, wife Tamara in California

In the Hospital

David Summers, Vanderbilt Hospital, Nashville
Elena Zimmerman, NHC Farragut
Pollye Pharaoh, Ft. Sanders Regional
Barbara Hester, Park West

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Ted Ford; Taylor Ford; JoAnn Ford; Marlene Ritchey; Pastors Euripides Morera, Rodrigo Torress and Gilberto Arteaga, and their congregations in Buenaventura, Columbia; Brack Emory; Mary Jane Blaylock; Denominational Center Task Force; Ileana Grace Hayes; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Bill & Flora Mae Keene; Mildred Stone; Tom Raines; Edna Fleenor; Pollye Pharaoh; Maxine McGuire; Mrs. Don Franks; Priscilla McCoy; Margaret Lindsay; Mary Cregger; Jennie Lee Middlemas; Irene Brooks; William Barron; Nellie Ramold; Millie McNeil; Charollette and Frank Disney; Nancy Bandermlen; John Ramsey; Doug Bailey; Joyce Creasman; Brenda Burk; Jonathan Migas; Bernie Migas; Jessie Black; Levi Bailey; Lillian Stephens; Neal Denton; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Reba Hauser; Franklin Graham Crusade coming to Knoxville in April, 2008; Lucy and Glen Hesler; Curtis McNabb (Tammy Eblen's father); Lois Witmer; Betty Sparks; Sabrina Hilton; Eddie Connaster; Marion Biggs; Jimmy Curry; Joey Claber.

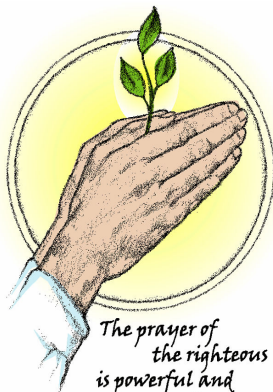
Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes, additions or deletions to our Prayer Concerns list.

Sunday School News

The Class taught by Rev. Bill Ivey will begin a new study October 7. The discussion will involve selected Bible stories of men of Genesis to Timothy. If you do not presently attend a Sunday School Class, please join them in room 30 at 9:30 a.m.

Praise News

I had been waiting to hear from the National Health Service Corps for 2 months and I finally received the letter on Sept. 27th. I was awarded a full scholarship through the NHSC which covers full tuition, books, clinical supplies, travel expenses, malpractice insurance and a monthly stipend. Last year over 1,400 people applied for 92 NHSC Scholarships nationwide, with only 2 being awarded to Nurse Midwifery Students. After I complete my graduate program I will be working with the NHSC in providing health care to the most vulnerable populations and those with inadequate access to appropriate medical care. My primary care focus will be on women & infants. I wanted to thank all of the church members and my family who have prayed for me and who have supported me. The Panama mission trip last March has made a huge impact in my life and on my future goals as a Women's Health Nurse Practitioner/ Nurse Midwife. Thanks again.
Peggy O'Neal & Family



The prayer of
the righteous
is powerful and
effective.

James 5:16