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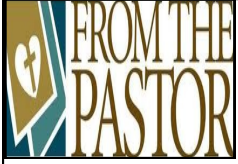
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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

October 21, 2015



I want to share with you a short devotional from a booklet titled, "Passion with a Purpose: 40 Days with God". This devotional is titled "Make a Difference" and is based on **James 1:14**, which says: *"What use is it, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but he has no works?"* [NASB] If you were present last Sunday morning, you may recall that I referred to this verse during my sermon. Genuine faith in Christ produces action in our lives. Here is the devotion:

"Does one person make a difference? Let me ask you, did Christ? God so loved the world that He did something. He didn't select a committee. He didn't theorize how great it would be for someone to come to our rescue. He didn't simply grieve over our waywardness and wring His hands in sorrow. He did something! And, in turn, the Son of God said to God the Father, 'I will go.' He did something about it. And that's why we can be saved. We don't believe in a theory; we believe in the person of Christ, who died and rose again that we might live and make a difference.

The question is not simply, what do you think of Christ? The question is what have you done about what you think?"

Another way of saying make a difference by doing something is, "Step into the water. Wade out a little bit deeper."

Learning the unforced rhythms of grace,

Pastor Mike

Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat

Our annual **Fall Festival and Trunk or Treat** will be this coming Sunday afternoon, October 25th. The **Fall Festival** will be from 3:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m., with **Trunk or Treat** beginning at 6:30 p.m. There will be games, prizes, face painting, an inflatable bouncy house, a cotton candy machine, hay rides, a costume contest, a haunted hallway, and door prizes! BBQ chicken plates will be for sale for \$6.00 per plate. There will be a Cake Walk; \$1.00 per person per round. There will also be a Silent Auction. In addition, there will be an opportunity to throw a pie in Pastor Mike's face for a small fee (\$2.00 and up). All money raised by the **Fall Festival** will go to our **Youth** to help with funding for Winter Convocation (January 2016) in Gatlinburg; \$180.00 per attendee is needed (We anticipate twelve people attending, so we need \$2,160.00). To help meet this goal, we need donations of the following items: gift baskets and/or items to be used in the Silent Auction and cakes for the Cake Walk. It would also be helpful to preorder the BBQ chicken plates by contacting either **Scott** or **Amanda Roberts**.

Youth News

This coming Saturday, October 24th, our **Youth** will gather at the church, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, to begin setting set up for our **Fall Festival** the next day. Then this coming Sunday, October 25th, following our Worship Service, our **Youth** meet again to finish setting up for our **Fall Festival**.

Homecoming Tidbits

If you would like a DVD of the **Homecoming 2015 Slide Show** that was played in both the Narthex and the Gym on Homecoming Sunday, simply contact the Church Office; the cost is \$5.00 per DVD. Free CDs of the entire Worship Service are available through the Church Office. Also, various size color prints of the water color of the church that **Margaret Migas** painted for **Homecoming 2015** can be ordered through the Church Office; 24"x18" prints are \$30.00 each, 8"x10" prints are \$8.00 each, and 5"x7" prints are \$5.00 each; all the prints will be printed on mat-finish card stock and are suitable for matting and framing. 4"x6" notes cards are also available for \$2.00 per card.

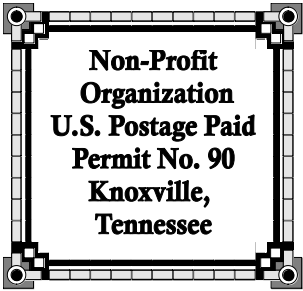
Renaissance: The Bethel Preforming Arts Experience

Bethel University's **Renaissance Choir** will be in concert at Union Cumberland Presbyterian Church (400 Everett Road, Farragut, TN) this coming Saturday night, October 24th, at 7:00 p.m.

Church's Website

The church's website, www.first-cumberland.org, includes audio recordings of the sermons from our worship services. Look for the link on the bottom left-hand corner of our homepage.

*For the glory of God, Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church exists to **worship** Christ, **evangelize** the lost, **love** one another and our neighbor, and **learn** more about our God.*



First Cumberland,
where you belong!



Happy Birthday

October 21st–October 27th

25th - Pastor Mike
26th - Stephanie Bridges
27th - Peggy O’Neal



Stewardship Report October 18, 2015	
Sunday School.....	40
Worship.....	70
Offering.....	\$2,144.61

Activities for October 21–October 27, 2015		
Wednesday:	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
Saturday:	10:00 a.m.	Youth Fall Festival Setup
Sunday:	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
	12:15 p.m.	Youth Fall Festival Setup
	3:30 p.m.	Fall Festival
	6:30 p.m.	“Trunk or Treat”
(See web site for complete calendar listings)		

Among Our People

Five couples from our congregation (**Phil and Bonnie Bridges, Brack and Shelia Emory, Ryan and Hannah Haddox, Scott and Amanda Roberts, and Pastor Mike and Joanna Wilkinson**) attended the *Love Worth Fitting for Marriage Event* last Sunday night, October 18th . . . **Mildred Acuff** is now at Elmcroft (Senior Living) of West Knoxville, (8024 Gleason Drive); she is in Room 108 . . . **Maxine Curtis** had cataract surgery last Monday, October 19th . . . **Hannah Davis** finished fourth All-Around in her level at the 2015 Foothills Fall Classic Gymnastics Meet last Saturday, October 17th . . . **Cooky Dyer** is in Parkwest Medical Center . . . **Edna Fleenor** remains under hospice care at NHC, St. Mary’s . . . It was great having **John and June Givens** (Crissy Collins’ parents) worshiping with us again last Sunday . . . **Ada Ladd** is still at Kindred Nursing and Rehabilitation—Northhaven . . . **Cliff Parrott** continues to recuperate at home . . . **Marlene Ritchey** remains under hospice care in Arizona . . .

Friendship Club

The next Dutch-treat luncheon for the **Friendship Club** is Wednesday, October 28th (the fourth Wednesday instead of the typical third Wednesday), at 11:00 a.m., at **Carver Applehouse Restaurant**, in Cosby, TN. Following lunch and shopping, we will then travel to **Mary Ann Haney’s** house, in Gatlinburg, for dessert. Everyone reading this announcement is welcome to attend this and all **Friendship Club** outings; you are even encouraged to invite friends from outside the church. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board near the Church Office. Anyone wishing to carpool to the restaurant meet at the church at 10:00 a.m.

October is **Pastor Appreciation Month**.



Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

Cooky Dyer @ Parkwest Medical Center

Health and Prayer Concerns (alphabetized)

Mildred Acuff; Sarah Ames (mother of a coworker of Kathy Byers); Janie Beeler (wife of Greg Beeler); Preston Beeler (cousin of Greg Beeler); Charlotte Byrd; Gordon Blaylock; Dick Booher; Kim Boyatt (friend of Susan Edwards); Peggy Bradshaw (mother of Dianne Fielder); Frances Broom (friend of Rose Wilkinson); Greg Brown (caretaker of Mary Cregger); Wanell Brown (friend of Rose Wilkinson); Carol Craven (sister of Lois Witmer); Mary Cregger; Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries; Mary Helen Daniel; Mae Denton (friend of Tammy Eblen); Nora Derreberry (mother of Maxine Curtis); Jim and Cooky Dyer; Edna Fleenor; Grace Flory (mother of Lois Witmer); Lynne Garrison (sister of Lois Witmer); Mary Beth Hazelwood’s baby (friend of Lisa Hayes); Mark Hester; Larry Hickens (friend of Tom and Emily DeLozier); Bud and Betty Hickman (friends of Mary Ann Haney); Bobbie Himes (sister of Jin Gaston); Becky Ingle (friend of Amanda Roberts); Kim Jones (friend of Amanda and Scott Roberts); Sherri Kramer (friend of Joy Taylor); Ada Ladd; Bob Lawson (friend of Pastor Mike); Bob Leach; Gene McCammon; Maxine McGuire; Catherine McKinney; Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Bob Metts; Brian Migas (son of Margaret Migas); Jonathan Migas (son of Margaret Migas); Georgia Moore (sister of Jewell Kerr); Mary Anne Moncier (aunt of Dianne Fielder); Dewaine Moncier, Jr. (cousin of Dianne Fielder); **ALICE MONTGOMERY; AMY BETH DAVIDSON MORGAN**; Barbara Mullenax; Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Cliff Parrott; Tom Parrott (son of Cliff Parrott); persecuted Christians around the world; Catherine Pipkin (mother of Paul Pipkin); David Poore (coworker of Phil Bridges); Anna Faye Presley (niece of Catherine McKinney); Nicolae Racile (father of a friend of Joy Taylor); Becky Rader; David and Rebecca Rech (parents of Justin Rech); Marlene Ritchey; Tara Shelley and baby (due in November); Gladys Stone; Donna Snoderly (sister-in-law of Betty Hammill); John Snoderly (brother of Betty Hammill); Sydney Snoderly (great-niece of Betty Hammill); Angel Tindell (granddaughter of Catherine McKinney); Carl Ware (father of Sam Ware); Joni Warner (friend of Jewell Kerr’s sons); Lois Witmer

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



Save the Dates

The second annual **Rocky Hill Christmas Parade** will be Saturday, December 5th, at 6:00 p.m. We plan to enter a float in the parade again this year.

We will hold a **Brunch with Santa Claus** will be Saturday, December 12th, from 10:a.m. until 12:00 noon, in our Gym.

Additional information about these two events will soon appear in the newsletter.