The Cumberlander

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

February 22, 2012



As pastor, I invite you to join me during this season of Lent in being "faithful" to the Lord and His Church! Will you make a commitment to faithfully participate in each of the following opportunities/ministries?

- (1) Beginning with the first Sunday in Lent (this Sunday, February 26) and continuing through Easter Sunday (April 8) will you attend worship each Sunday and bring a guest with you?
- (2) During Lent, will you join an existing Sunday School class or a special weekly evening Bible study group for spiritual growth and fellowship to fulfill the Lord's prayer for His disciples that "they all may be one?"
- (3) During Lent, will you pray and read the word of God daily as an act of personal devotion to the Lord? (suggested readings are in this edition of The Cumberlander)
- (4) During Lent, will you personally make an offering to our FISH ministry and/or any other compassion ministry the church may be involved in to fulfill the Lord's call to serve "the least of these, My brothers and sisters?"
- (5) During Holy Week (April 1-7), will you participate in the special Maundy Thursday Worship and Communion Service (April 5, 6:30 p.m.) to identify more closely with the Lord and His disciples?

Only those who prove faithful will receive the Master's reward: "Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things. I will make you ruler over many things!" (Matthew 25:21)

INQUIRER'S CLASSES IN MARCH

For those who want to learn more about the Christian faith and church membership a series of Inquirer's Classes for adults, youth and children will be held on the following schedule in March:

Sunday, March 11, 9:30 A.M. Adult Class in the Pastor's Office Sunday, March 18, 9:30 A.M. Youth Class in the Pastor's Office (grades 5 and above)

Sunday, March 25, 9:30 A.M. Children's Class in the Pastor's Office (grade 4 and below)

Please call and let me know of your interest (228-0710).

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club invites you to join them for their monthly fellowship luncheon Wednesday, March 14, 11:00 a.m. at Sullivan's Fine Food at Rocky Hill, 7545 Northshore Drive (694-9696). Newcomers are always welcome! Sign up on the bulletin board or call the church office (588-8581).

ETERNAL LIFE!

Receive the Gift This Easter!

March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 6:30 P.M.

Lenten Prayer/Bible Study Group

Palm Sunday, April 1, 10:45 A.M.

Choir-led Easter Music

Maundy Thursday, April 5, 6:30 P.M. Worship Service and Holy Communion

<u>Friday, April 6, 12 Noon</u>

Good Friday Ecumenical Service at Sacred Heart Catholic Church featuring "The Seven Last Sayings of Jesus Christ from the Cross!"

Saturday, April 7, 11:30 A.M.

Community Easter Egg Hunt (T.-G.5)

Easter Sunday, April 8, 7:30 A.M.

Early Service in the Courtyard

(weather permitting, alt. location: Chapel)

Easter Sunday, April 8, 8:30 A.M.

Full Breakfast in the Gym (donations accepted)

Easter Sunday, April 8, 10:45 A.M.

"Celebration of Life" Worship Service and Holy Communion

*Nursery Available for All Services and Activities



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







February

26-Tiffany May 28-Anna Deal 28-Sam Ware



Activities for February 26-March 3, 2012

9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service **Choir Practice** Weds., 6:30 p.m.

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for Februa	<u>ry 19, 2012</u>
Sunday School	54
Worship	
Offering	
Capital Improvements Fund	

Church Family,

Thank you so much for all of the many things you have done for both me and my girls. Christmas this year was great and I owe it all to you. Thank you for giving my girls the best Christmas they could have.

Sincerely, Taylor, Taylin, and Olivia

March 13 Matthew 18:21-35

March 14 Psalm 147:12-20

March 15 Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9



PRAYER/BIBLE STUDY DURING LENT

You, your family and friends are invited to join the pastor for a Prayer/Bible Study group during Lent! The study will be held on five Thursday nights, 6:30 p.m. beginning next Thursday, March 1 (March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29).

The topic for the study will be "The 'I AM' Savings of Jesus!" Come and pray with us and

April 7 Genesis 1:1-2:2

April 8 Matthew 28:1-10

Sayings of Jesus:	Come and pray with us and	
discover the unique claims of the Christ!		
February 22 Joel 2:12-18	March 16 Mark 12:28-34	
February 23 Luke 9:22-25	March 17 Hosea 6:1-6	
February 24 Isaiah 58:1-9	March 18 Ephesians 2:4-10	
March 20 John 5:1-16	March 19 Romans 4:13-18, 22	
February 25 Luke 5:27-32	March 21 John 5:17-30	
February 26 Genesis 9:8-15	March 22 Psalm 106:19-23	
February 27 Leviticus 19:1-18	March 23 Psalm 34:17-21, 23	
February 28 Matthew 6:7-15	March 24 John 7:40-53	
February 29 Jonah 3:1-10	March 25 Jeremiah 31:31-34	
	March 26 Psalm 40:7-11	
March 1 Matthew 7:7-12	March 27 Numbers 21:4-9	
March 2 Matthew 5:20-26	March 28 Daniel 3:14-20, 21-2	
March 3 Matthew 5:43-48	March 29 John 8:51-59	
March 4 Romans 8:31-34	March 30 Psalm 18:2-7	
March 5 Daniel 9:4-10	March 31 Ezekiel 37:21-28	
March 6 Isaiah 1:10, 16-20		
March 7 Matthew 20:17-28	April 1 Mark 11:1-10	
March 8 Jeremiah 17:5-10	April 2 John 12:1-11	
March 9 Genesis 37:3-28	April 3 Isaiah 49:1-6	
March 10 Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12	April 4 Matthew 26:14-25	
March 11 Exodus 20:1-17A	April 5 Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14	
March 12 2 Kings 5:1-15	April 6 Hebrews 4:14-5:9	

Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns



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

You are only getting out of church what you put in it! Invest in God, so your resources will always reap returns beyond your expectations!

Wanted!!!

Karen and Sam are wanting to build the choir and to restart the hand bell choir. If you are interested in either singing or playing hand bell or do both. Please contact Karen or Sam.



FISH CAMPAIGN

Our Fish Campaign is beginning this week. We must raise 25 funds to stock the West Knox Fish Pantry in April. We have approximately \$2700 to begin our campaign. In order to reduce expenses, we are asking the congregation to bring jars of peanut butter to be put in marked boxes in the halls and Narthex, beginning this next Sunday. We will need 500-600 jars. Steve McCurry will be handling the ordering and bagging. We will be bagging on three Saturdays March 31, April 7 and 14 at the pantry site at 9:30 AM. Sign up on the Fish bulletin board in the Narthex if you can help. Thank you for your support in feeding the hungry of our community.