The Cumberlander

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

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"NIGHT OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP" NOVEMBER 6, 6:00 P.M.

God has blessed us with the opportunity to offer an additional worship service with a contemporary flavor beginning Sunday, November 6, 6:00 p.m. in the chapel!

The Praise Team will include Sam Ware, James and Laura Paschke, Brent Witmer and Julie Rech. The pastor will speak. Childcare will be provided in the nursery. Please dress casually. Refreshments and fellowship will follow in the narthex.

"Night of Praise and Worship" will be held the first Sunday evening of each month for the next three months (November 6, December 4, and January 1, 2012, 6:00 p.m.).

Everyone is invited to worship with us as we glorify God together!!!

GO WITH US THIS SUNDAY!

Bazeltown Baptist Church and Rev. Dr. Joe Weaver, pastor, have invited First Church to a joint worship service and evening meal Sunday, October 23, 3:00 p.m. in Harriman, TN. We will provide special music and the pastor will be guest preacher.

Those who want to attend are invited to be part of a caravan from First Church which will leave the parking lot this coming Sunday afternoon, 2:00 p.m.

Please join us for an evening of outstanding praise and worship!

OUR STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS CONTINUES!

During this Stewardship Month our theme will be "I Believe in Tomorrow, 2012!"

The elders and I ask you to join us in placing our future as a church family squarely in the hands of Almighty God!

Please pray about your giving and involvement in the church! Then, on Sunday, October 30 during morning worship you will be encouraged to come forward and place your commitment on the communion table as an act of worship!

We feel truly blessed by your participation in the life and ministry of First Church!

Let's celebrate together on the 30th what God has done and will do! It will be a powerful, blessed day to affirm Jesus' promise, "I am with you always!" (Matthew 28:20)

LOAVES AND FISHES!

Our annual Loaves and Fishes Offering (formerly "Love Loaf") this fall will help fund Hot Lunch Programs in Colombia, South America (50%), the Cumberland Presbyterian World Hunger Fund (25%), and local benevolence causes for needy people in the Knoxville community (25%).

Loaves and Fishes collection boxes will be available beginning this Sunday, October 23. Everyone is encouraged to keep them in a conspicuous place at home and fill them with pocket change for the next five weeks.

The Loaves and Fishes offering will be dedicated on Sunday, November 27. Thank you in advance for your generosity! RENAISSANCE SOUTHERN GOSPEL TRIO!

Sunday, October 30, 10:45 a.m. our special musical guests will be the Renaissance

Southern Gospel Trio from Bethel University. Please join us and bring lots of family and friends to hear them. They are outstanding!!! We also need two host homes for the trio (two girls, one guy). If you can help, please call the church office (588-8581).



First Cumberland Presbyterian Church Invites All Kids Everywhere to Our First Annual

Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 30 5:00 P.M.

Don't Miss

"Tales from the Tomb!"

(where dead people come back to life!)

For More Info or to Offer Your Car Trunk Full of Candy Call 588-8581 or 470-9004

~Pastor Kevin



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







October

24-Jeffery Golliher 26-Stephanie Bridges 27-Peggy O'Neal 28-MaryAnn Haney



Activities for October 23-29, 2011

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 3:00 p.m. Bazeltown Church Weds., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

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(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for October 16, 2011Sunday School51Worship69Offering\$2,700.50Capital Improvements Fund\$15.00

<u>Lay Ministry Corner</u> When You Choose to Follow God...

When you choose to follow God, be prepared! He will not let you stay where you are. He will not let you define the boundaries of this relationship. He will not tolerate disrespect; And He will sometimes leave you broken and vulnerable in order to make you usable.

It will not be easy or safe, but we are assured that in the end, You will know that you are loved and it was all worth the journey!

HVAC Renovation Update

Now is the time to get your pledges in you made on the HVAC so we can pay the suppliers and contractors on a prompt basis.

A huge reminder for what clothing to wear to church. Please wear clothing appropriate for the outside temperature. We have air conditioning, but will not have heat until this renovation is completed. So if it is cold outside, most likely it will be cold in the church.

CPWM CIRCLE NEWS

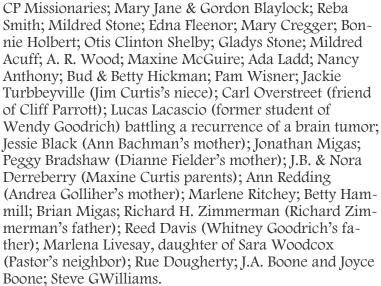
Rebeccas Circle will meet at 10:00 am for breakfast Saturday, October 22, at Perkins Restaurant on Kingston Pike. Come and join us for good fun and inspiration. See you there. Any questions call Faye O'Neal.

West Circle will begin meeting after a long time off. The first meeting will be Tuesday, November 8 at 11:00 am in the Keene Room. Come and join us for Bible study. Please bring a sandwich, drinks and dessert will be provided. This meeting is open to all the ladies of the church, even though you haven't met with us before. Join us if you can. Any questions call Betty Hammill.

Prayer Concerns



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.

COOKIE MIX FOR SALE

CPWM is selling cookie mix in the library every Sunday. There are many varieties and all come in a mason jar with instructions on how to make these tasty snacks. The cost of the cookie mix is \$5 with all proceeds going to the HVAC Renovation FAITH FOR THE FUTURE Campaign. Help raise funds for the Church and have a great snack at the same time.

FAITH FOR THE FUTURE

To date we have received pledges and gifts totaling more then \$131,000. All praise be to God and His blessing to us. We will still need money in order not to have to borrow any funds. Please pray that God will provide these funds for us. Bless all who have given and are continuing to give.

NEW VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

In last weeks Cumberlander Pastor Kevin announced that Session had created two new volunteer positions. Those being a church-wide program coordinator and a seniors program coordinator. WOW! ... Right?????... So just what are these "new" volunteer positions and how are they going to help the church in any way?????

The church-wide program coordinator will coordinate all church programs with all volunteers, committees and facility users. This will call for a more proactive person in planning events and in the coordination to ensure that the little details do not get missed in our efforts to grow. This position will focus on the growth of the church through planned events that will attract persons to our traditional service as well as our new contemporary service. Any suggestions are welcome.

The seniors program coordinator will concentrate on providing more programs for all seniors, active, partially active and homebound. We will use these programs as an outreach to a portion of the general population that needs God loving persons in their lives for support. We want to be that support.