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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

November 19, 2008



Winter Coats Were Given by You for the Homeless of Knoxville!

(and 20 pairs of boots and shoes too!)

HAPPY THANKSGIVING EVERYBODY!!!

This Sunday, November 23, 10:45 a.m. will be a wonderful time of fellowship for everyone who is part of the First Church! Bring all your family and friends to enjoy a great worship experience. An opportunity to express thanks to God will be given. The Marcie Clark Memorial Handbell Choir will play and the Pioneer Club kids will sing.

Following the morning service we will have an outstanding Thanksgiving potluck luncheon in the gym. Bring your favorite potluck item to share with all. During the meal the Pioneer Club leaders will present awards for all participants as we conclude our first ten-week session.

Please take time to stay with us and share your favorite meat, salad, vegetable, or dessert dish. It's our Church family time and you don't want to miss it!

40 DAYS OF COMMUNITY

This Sunday we will also conclude our "40 Days of Community" spiritual growth campaign with a time of celebration and sharing during morning worship, 10:45 a.m. The message will be "How to Show God You Love Him!" Time will be given for individuals and small groups to share what God has done in our lives during these "40 Days."

LOAVES AND FISHES

God has given us such priceless gifts! That makes it easy for us to share with others! It's time again for our "Loaves and Fishes" offering (formerly Love Loaves) and we will be collecting all your loose change until Sunday, November 30 to go to some very needy people at home and abroad. Please give generously to the following mission projects: (1) ongoing relief for the people of Myanmar, recovering from a devastating cyclone which left thousands homeless and 140,000 dead or missing (50%); the Cumberland Presbyterian World Hunger Fund (25%), and our Love and Company local benevolence ministry (25%).

Dedication Sunday for the "Loaves and Fishes" offering will be Sunday, November 30.



UPWARD BASKETBALL SEASON

Your prayers and participation are needed to make our second Upward Basketball season a resounding success! The deadline for registration is this Thursday, November 20. If you know of any child who wants to be part of Upward Basketball or you want to volunteer to help, please call Steve Summers (548-9698) or Kevin Wood (228-0710).

SESSION MEETING

The Session will meet for its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, November 25, 6:00 p.m. in the Keene Room. All elders are encouraged to be present.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS DECEMBER 7!

If you aren't part of a Sunday School class come check out a brand new Bible study in the Chapel beginning Sunday, December 7, 9:30 a.m. If you want to grow, show!!!

Pastor Kevin



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Happy Birthday



November

20-Hunter Witmer 21-Patrick Curtis 21-Julia Pierce 28-Mary Cregger



Activities for November 22-29, 2008

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Worship Service4:00 p.m. Pioneer Club

4:00 p.m. Handbell Practice Tues., 6:00 p.m. Session

Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir Thurs., Thanksgiving

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for November 16, 2008

Sunday School	42
Worship	
Offering	
Capital Improvements Fund	
Memorial/Building Fund	\$0.00
Expenses paid last week	\$1,816.60

Year-to-Date (as of November 16, 2008)

Offerings received to date:	\$133,393.07
Facility usage fees received to date	\$21,837.00
Expenses paid to date:	\$213,6462.35

Building / Cap. Improve. Fund......\$98,425.55

It's Silent Auction time!!

Thursday Connection is having a Silent Auction. We are so excited about the items we have this year. There are over 150 items in 20 categories. Definitely something for everyone. You may check it out at http://www.thursdayconnection.org/auction/index.aspx or just go to thursdayconnection.org and look for the silent auction link. The live auction is going to be on November 21. The silent auction is from 6:30-7:30 with the Live Auction immediately following. We have a professional auc-

tioneer, Robbie Franklin, with Furrow Auction Company auctioning off several of our biggest items.

There will be wonderful desserts and coffee served at the live auction, along with candles and soft music performed by some students from Knoxville Christian Youth

Band. The **student government** will provide babysitting since this is an Adults Only event. The cost is \$10 a couple.

New Carpet

At long last the new carpet is being installed in the Sanctuary this week. We hope to have service in the Sanctuary Sunday. Sorry for any inconveniences until it is done.



Prayer Concerns



Bill Hickman in Iraq, Lee Barron's cousin



Taylor Adkins (friend of MariKate Walker), St. Jude's Children's Hospital

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Taylor Ford; CP Missionaries; Brack Emory; Mary Jane Blaylock; Ileana Grace Hayes; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Bill & Flora Mae Keene; 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 Acuff; Mildred Acuff; A. R. Wood (Kevin Wood's brother); Lisa Deal; JoAnn Ford; Maxine McGuire; Pat Booher; Fred Johnson; Millie Jones (the Acuff's great-granddaughter); Steve Goodrich; Marlene Ritchey; Irene Brooks (Nancy Wood's mother); Doug Bailey (friend of the Witmer's); Lou Jackson (heart by-pass surgery); Marjorie Thompson (Shelia Emory's sister-inlaw); Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Gordon Blaylock; Bridget, daughter of John Lindley (friend of the Bachman's); Lisa Godwin (recovering from a heart attack); Rex Holt (Beaver Creek CP church, friend of Kevin); Lisa Teknus (Pioneer Club's Mom); Steve Serbin; the family of Ernest Cooper (friend of Maxine McGuire); The Cooper Children (Justin, Jeremy, Kasey and Jeffery).

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

Needed Items

There is a need for a good battery operated baby swing, a highchair and a clothes washing machine. Please call the office if you can help with these items.

CPWM Bake Sale

The world famous First Cumberland Presbyterian Church's CPWM Bake Sale is scheduled for Sunday November 23 in the

library of the church. Cookies, cakes, fudge, pies, pecans and so much more. Come and buy your desserts for Thanksgiving holiday. This is the only fund raiser for CPWM to support their mission work

Ladies please bring your baked goods for sale. Bring them to the library before and during Sunday School.

Men bring your wallets to buy these mouth watering, tasty, tongue slapping delights.

Congratulations to ...

... Hailey Davis. She took the Gold medal in the vault at the 2008 Bama Rama in Tuscaloosa, AL on November 8. The Tatarus Level four gymnasts took the First Place Team trophy.