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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

May 7, 2014



As you know, this coming Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, is *Mother's Day*. Mothers are perhaps the sweetest gift from God to us. There is no way we can ever really thank our mother for all she either does or has done for us; nevertheless, we must make it a habit to keep reminding ourselves of the various sacrifices she made while raising us. **Mother's Day** is a great opportunity for us to do this;

therefore, during the Worship Service, we will honor all the mothers present and recognize all the ladies present with two small gifts—tokens of our love and appreciation for all you do. I hope to see you here. Grace.

#### Pastor Mike

#### Sow Generously For Fish — Final Wrap-up

Our FISH campaign is over for another year. I want to thank all of you who contributed in one way or another; it took all of us to get the job done. Steve McCurry did a superb job as overall manager—spending less money and serving more people. He was able to get a lot of donated food from Second Harvest Food Bank for \$0.15 per pound, which saved us an estimated \$1,250.00. We actually spent \$3,067.00. Two churches helped us with finances this year—Marietta Cumberland Presbyterian Church and our partner congregation, Church of the Savior. We packed a total of 672 bags of groceries during the month of April. 824 bags were taken out by the delivery teams, but we had 432 bags left from the previous month. We left 280 bags to be given out during the month of May. We served approximately 2,294 people during the month of April. Thank you, one and all, for another successful FISH campaign. —Betty Hammill

#### Friendship Club

The **Friendship Club** will gather at **First Watch, The Daytime Café**, at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, for a Dutch-treat lunch. This is the second Wednesday of the month instead of the traditional third Wednesday. The restaurant is located in Turkey Creek, at 11682 Parkside Drive (near to Campbell Station Road). Everyone reading this article is invited to go on this outing. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the hallway near the Church Office.

#### **Confession of Faith Study**

On Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, the **Friendship Sunday School Class** will begin a new study of what Cumberland Presbyterians believe as found in our *Confession of Faith*. **Dr. J. David Hester** will lead us into a better understanding of our beliefs. The **Friendship Class** meets in the classroom across from the Library. Everyone who is interested in this subject is invited to attend; you will need to bring your **Bible** and the **Cumberland Presbyterian** *Confession of Faith*. If you do not have a copy of the *Confession*, see **Dr. Hester** or **Pastor Mike** and they will give you a copy.

#### **Vacation Bible School**

This year's **Vacation Bible School** will be June 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. The theme of this year's **VBS** is *Arrowhead Island*. Each night will begin with a light dinner at 5:30 p.m., followed by class time from 6:00-8:00 p.m. In addition to classes for children, we will have both youth and adult classes with a special speaker each night. As part of **VBS**, we, along with our women's ministry, will be collecting shoes for **Soles4Souls**. We will also be collecting money for the **Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home**.

#### Thank You

Dear First Cumberland,

Words fail us as we try and show our gratitude for your generosity these past few years. Because you have opened your doors for us, we are able to serve many homeschooling families and support them in their effort to teach their children to know God and to make Him known. We are grateful. May God bless this church!

Sincerely,

**Classical Conservations Tuesday** 

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.



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## Happy Birthday



#### **May** 16-Barb Lancaster



#### Activities for May 11-17, 2014

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

12:15 p.m. Stewardship & Finance 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice (See web site for complete calendar listings)

### Stewardship Report May 4, 2014

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### Among Our People

Richard Booher is home from few days in hospital ... Thanks to Steve Summers for representing Presbytery of East TN at Synod of the Southeast meeting in Chattanooga last week .... Sympathy to Ann Bachman in death of her cousin Debbie McConkey last week ... Congratulations to former member Melody Harper on her promotion to Senior Manager of the Mid-South Division Support Services for the American Cancer Society ... Oak Ridge Pastor James Buttram has resigned to assume pastorate at Red Bank Church in Chattanooga ... Remember the Friendship Club meeting next Wednesday, May 14 at First Watch, 11682 Parkside Drive, 11:00 a.m. ...Former member Lorene Hall had out-patient surgery on Monday ... Sympathy to Jewell Kerr's daughter-in-law in the passing of her mother (Diris May) ...

#### Our ??th Annual Garage Sale

Our annual Garage Sale date has been set for July 25 and 26. If you have items that you would like to donate to the church to sell, we will begin taking items as soon as our schools that use the building break for their summer vacations.

If you have any questions about this event or would like to volunteer to help please call Maxine or the church office.

#### **Soles4Souls**

The Women's Ministry's drive to support the Soles4Souls Ministry has begun. Please bring in your new; lightly used; or used shoes and place them in one of the boxes either in the gym or church office. Your donation may be used to help a child to attend school, to support disaster relief, or to provide African craft artists with raw materials to work and provide for their families. The Soles4Souls organization wants ANY old pair of shoes to recycle and repurpose the old shoes. If you have any questions, please email Donna Walker at <a href="mailto:thetwwalkers@att.net">thetwwalkers@att.net</a>.



## Prayer Concerns In the Hospital Health and Prayer Concerns



CP Missionaries; Mary Jane and Gordon Blaylock; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Howard Eblen; Mary Cregger; Gladys Stone; Mildred Acuff; Maxine McGuire; Ada Ladd; Carol Seeman; Bud and Betty Hickman (friends of Mary Ann Haney); Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis's mother); Marlene Ritchey; Brian Migas; Mary McJunkins (Mary Wegman's mother); Donna Wingard (Mildred Acuff's daughter); Debbie and David Triese (Margaret Migas's sister and husband); Carl Ware; Allison, Hailey, Connor and Hannah Davis; Janie Beeler (Greg Beeler's wife); Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Debbie Holloway; Mildred Gragg (friend of Mary Cregger); Kim and her family (friends of Amanda and Scott Roberts); Rebecca Rech (mother of Justin Rech); Jack Gaston; Marie Jobson (friend of the Witmer's); Cliff Parrott; Dale Craddo (Scott Robert's uncle); Tom Williams (friend of Cliff Parrott); Dick Booher; the family of Debbie McConkey (Ann Bachman's cousin); the family of Diris May (Jewell Kerr's daughter-in-law's mother); John Windell Whitehead Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes

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#### **Summer Church Camp News**

The schedule for church camps has been announced:

Middle School Sunday June 1st—6th

Cost is \$150

High School Sunday June 8th—13th

Cost is \$150

Junior Sunday June 15th-19th

Cost is \$130

Save \$10 on all camps by registering by May 24.

Contact Jim Curtis or Pastor Mike for more information and registration forms. Registration forms are also in the Church Office.



#### **YOUTH POOL PARTY**

The youth group will have a pool party at Dianne Pipkin's house on Sunday May 18th, from 3-6 pm. An



email will be going out with additional information and directions. If you have any questions please feel free to call or email Stephanie Saults!