

The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

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ADVENT-CHRISTMAS EVENTS!

Join us as we celebrate the arrival of the Christ child including all the symbols, sights, sounds, and sharing of the Good News at First Church during this blessed season!!!

Sunday, November 27, 10:45 A.M.

First Sunday of Advent; Dedication of Loaves and Fishes Offering

The sanctuary will be decorated and you can hang some "Chrismons" in honor of the birth of the Savior!

Sunday, December 4, 6:00 P.M.

Second "Night of Praise and Worship" in the Chapel

Contemporary worship and some Christmas goodies during fellowship time!

Wednesday, December 7, 12 NOON

Seniors Christmas Luncheon

New ministry for 55's plus; good food, fellowship and singing Christmas carols around the piano!

Sunday, December 11, 10:45 A.M.

Election of Elders; Puppet Presentation; "Gift to the King Offering"

Saturday, December 17, 3:00 P.M.

Youth and Children's Christmas Party

Sunday, December 18, 10:45 A.M.

Churchwide Christmas Program featuring the Choir, Youth and Children

Sunday, December 18, 3:00 P.M.

Christmas Caroling and Poinsettia Delivery to the Homebound and Hospitalized

Make someone's Christmas and sing-a-long with us (if you can't carry a tune, you can carry a poinsettia)!

Saturday, December 24, 5:00 P.M.

Christmas-Eve Candlelight Communion

Sunday, December 25, 10 A.M.*

Christmas Sunday Worship (no Sunday School)

*Please note the special time for worship!

LOAVES AND FISHES!

Our annual Loaves and Fishes Offering (formerly "Love Loaf") will help fund Hot Lunch Programs in Mexico and Colombia, South America (50%); the Cumberland Presbyterian World Hunger Fund (25%); and local benevolence causes for needy people in the Knoxville community (25%). The offering will be dedicated this Sunday, November 27!

NEXT 'NIGHT OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP' DECEMBER 4, 6:00 P.M.!

Please join us for the second in our winter series of contemporary worship experiences when "Night of Praise and Worship" continues Sunday, December 4, 6:00 p.m. in the chapel. Live music from our Praise Team, a solid, Biblical message, casual dress, childcare, fellowship, refreshments, and a little Christmas joy! Don't miss it!!!

MISSION GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

During the Advent-Christmas season you will have several opportunities to give to special mission projects:

FRIENDS OF LAKESHORE—As we have for many years, First Church will participate in providing Christmas gifts for patients at Lakeshore. There will be a collection box in the library. Please check the list above the box for special needs. Included are basic toiletries, socks, games, and batteries. Contact person: Dianne Fielder (982-6918). Deadline: Sunday, December 4.

MITTEN TREE--- The Mitten Tree will also take donations in the library beginning this Sunday, November 27. Hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, Bibles, Juice Boxes, and after-school snacks are needed. All gifts will be distributed through Coalition for Appalachian Ministry. Contact person: Dianne Fielder (982-6918). Deadline: Sunday, January 1.

ANGEL TREE---The Angel Tree will be located in the church office beginning this Sunday, November 27 and will include the names and needs of 3-5 families. Please sign in at the desk, then take the card and purchase the requested gifts, returning them to the office no later than Sunday, December 18. Contact person: Kevin Wood (228-0710). Deadline: Sunday, December 18.

GIFT TO THE KING OFFERING--- This year's "Gift to the King" offering will go to Cumberland Presbyterian new church development projects in mission locations outside the United States. Offering envelopes will be provided in the bulletin on Sunday, December 11. Please give generously!

~Pastor Kevin

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Happy Birthday

November

28-Mary Cregger

December

3-Chris Goodrich

3-Carol Seeman

Activities for November 27-December3, 2011

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

10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Weds., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thurs., 7:30 p.m. Dance Class

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for November 20, 2011

Sunday School.....40

Worship.....70

Offering \$1,919.75

Capital Improvements Fund\$10.00

COOKIE MIX FOR SALE (REDUCED PRICE)

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 \$4 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.

NEED A CHRISTMAS PRESENT?

Here is a suggestion. Donate \$5 or increments of \$5 to the Fish Hospitality Pantries. Pick up a brochure in the Narthex for details. Talk to Betty Hammill if you have any questions.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ...

...Kristi Summers who completed her senior season with the Pride of the Southland Band on Saturday. In her 5 years as a UT Majorette she was feature twirler, assistant head majorette, and head majorette for the past 2 years.

...Hailey Davis and the Tataru's Level 5 girls for taking 1st place Saturday at the Huntsville Gymnastics Invitational meet! Hailey placed first all around in her age group with a 38.500, she got 9.400 (1st) on vault, 9.850 (1st) on beam, 9.700 (1st) on Floor and 9.650 (1st) on bars. Way to go Hailey!

Family in need of a good used, dependable van! If you know of one or someone who can donate one, please contact the church office (588-8581). Thank you for your assistance!

Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

CP Missionaries; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Reba Smith; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Mary Cregger; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Gladys Stone; Mildred Acuff; A. R. Wood; Maxine McGuire; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bud & Betty Hickman; Jackie Turbbeyville (Jim Curtis's niece); Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Lucas Lacascio (former student of Wendy Goodrich) battling a recurrence of a brain tumor; Jessie Black (Ann Bachman's mother); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); J.B. & Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis parents); Ann Redding (Andrea Golliher's mother); Marlene Ritchey; Brian Migas; Richard H. Zimmerman (Richard Zimmerman's father); Marlena Live-say, daughter of Sara Woodcox (Pastor's neighbor); Rue Dougherty; Steve GWilliams; Tom Holbert (Bonnie Holbert's son, cancer); Ann Jennings (friend of Greg Beeler, terminal cancer); Colonel Bob Long, USAF (retired), cancer and Colonel Bud Day, USAF (Ret). POW VIETNAM (friends of Cliff Parrott); Phil Bridges, recovering from heart attack and stent.

Please keep the Church Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes to our Prayer Concerns list. Call 588-8581 or email firstcpc@earthlink.net.

SESSION MEETING

The Session meeting for December will be held Tuesday, December 13, 7:00 p.m. in the Keene Room. All elders and newly elected elders are encouraged to attend!

DECEMBER FRIENDSHIP CLUB!

The Friendship Club will meet for their Christmas get-together Wednesday, December 14, 11:00 a.m. at the Copper Cellar Restaurant, 7316 Kingston Pike (673-3422). Come bring your friends and enjoy the season with us! Everyone at least 55 years-old has a standing invitation!!!

Seniors

We are starting a program for the seniors on December 7. We will meet at 12:00 for lunch to be followed with a meeting to discuss what we want to do going forward. We will end with singing Christmas carols. This is for everyone 55 and older. Mark your calendars. See you there.

Maxine Curtis

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING!

A congregational meeting to elect three new elders for three year terms will be held at the conclusion of morning worship on Sunday, December 11. At that time the Session will place in nomination Phil Bridges, Dianne Pipkin and Steve Summers.

Other nominations may be made from the floor provided the person has already been contacted and has agreed to serve.

All members of the congregation are encouraged to vote in the election. Those who are elected will be ordained/ installed to the office of elder on Sunday, January 8, 2012. Please be in prayer for the congregation and for those who will serve!