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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

June 1, 2016

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I trust that each of us had an awesome *Memorial Day* celebration. I also trust that, as Americans, each of us set apart a portion of our holiday to remember the sacrifice of the more than one million men and women who have given their lives over the last two-hundred-and-forty years to secure and maintain our freedom. Such a remembrance helps us rejoice over the liberty that we enjoy, and

often take for granted, in our country. Remembering and rejoicing naturally leads to ringing out the good news of the constitutional freedoms we all enjoy. I further trust that, as Christians, each of us sets apart a portion of every day to remember the sacrifice of Christ, to rejoice in the salvation He has given us, and to ring out the Good News that His salvation is freely available to all who will receive it.

Learning the unforced rhythms of grace,

Pastor Mike

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Summer Youth Camps

Presbytery has set the camping dates for Camp Chilhowee: **Junior Camp** (for those who have completed third through fifth grades) will be this coming Sunday through Thursday, June 5th-9th; cost is \$130.00 per camper; **Middle School Camp** (for those who have completed sixth through eighth grades) will be Sunday through Thursday, June 12th-17th; cost is \$150.00 per camper; and **High School Camp** (for those who have completed ninth through twelfth grades) will be Sunday through Thursday, June 19th-24th; cost \$150.00 per camper. Camp registration packs are available in the Church Office.

Share Your Faith Workshop

Virtue Cumberland Presbyterian Church (725 Virtue Road, Farragut) is hosting a **Share Your Faith Workshop** this coming Saturday, June 4th, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$25.00 per person; this includes all materials, a continental breakfast, and lunch. Sign-in and breakfast start at 8:15 a.m. To register, contact **Elaine Sexton** at the church (865-966-1494) or **Rev. Steve Graham** via his cell phone (865-206-0012). For more information, you can checkout **Evangelism Explosion**'s website: www.evangelismexplosion.org.

Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry

The **West Circle** of our ladies' ministry will meet Tuesday, June 7th, at 11:00 a.m. Instead of meeting at the church, **Judy Gwilliams** has invited the circle to her house for the meeting; she will also provide lunch for those in attendance. Some of the ladies will meet at the church at 10:30 a.m. to travel to **Judy**'s house.

Vacation Bible School

Our Vacation Bible School will be held Thursday evening, June 23rd, through Sunday evening, June 26th this year. The theme this year is *Surf Shack: Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love*. There will be classes for all ages (nursery through adult). Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a light Luau (Dinner) in the Gym. Then at 6:00 p.m., we will gather in the Surf Shack (Chapel) for Opening Assembly. Following the assembly, classes and activities begin, with a Closing Assembly in the Surf Shack at 7:55 p.m. Rev. Greg Tucker, Pastor of Faith Fellowship Cumberland Presbyterian Church, will be leading the Adult Class. Special speakers for the adults will be Jessica Walker (drug addiction/drug addicted infants), Kate Trudell (sex trafficking), and Tom Walker (scuba dive finds). Special speakers for the youth will be Kate Trudell (sex trafficking), Lindsay Bridges (health education), and Jessica Walker (drug addiction/drug addicted infants). Sunday evening, at 5:30 p.m., we will have a Luau Cookout Party and a little fun on the Big Kahuna Wave Slide in the front yard of the church. Invitations for you to give to your family and friends will be available this coming Sunday. Our Vacation Bible School Team needs to borrow colorful beach towels and a surf board for decorations; all items will be returned.

Talent Show and Ice Cream Social

Our **Outreach and Missions Committee** is planning a church-wide **Talent Show and Ice Cream Social** Sunday afternoon, July 10th, beginning at 4:00 p.m. A talent sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board beside the Church Office; so far, no one has signed up, so make plans to participate with singing (solos, duets, quartets, etc.), playing musical instruments, magic tricks, dancing, twirling, stand-up comedy, or any other talents from our adults and children. Please bring ice cream, toppings, cookies, fruit, etc. to share. There will be a panel of judges for those bringing homemade ice cream! Invite your family and friends and come join us for this time of fun and fellowship!

Annual Garage Sale

Our annual **Garage Sale** will be Friday and Saturday, July 22nd and 23rd, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. We are now collecting donated items (antiques, clothing, electronics, books, toys, linens, sports equipment, estate items, furniture, office equipment, tools, costume jewelry, etc.). Simply bring the items you would like to donate with you to church on Sunday or call the Church Office (865-588-8581) to schedule a time to drop them off.

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.

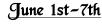


First Cumberland,

where you belong!



Happy Birthday



4th - Joanna Wilkinson



Stewardship Report May 29, 2016

Sunday School	41
Worship Service	68
Offering	
Building Reimbursement	\$40.00

Activities for June 1-7, 2016

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Sunday School Worship Service

3:00 p.m. Junior Camp Check-In Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. West Circle Meeting

(See our web site for complete calendar listings)



Dick Booher remains at his son's home, in Morristown; he is undergoing additional physical therapy on his shoulder; he will not return home until sometime early to midJune . . . **Donna Walker** continues to recover from her recent surgery . . . **Lois Witmer** continues to battle chronic anemia, but is slowly improving . . .

Friendship Club

The next Dutch-treat lunch of the **Friendship Club** is Wednesday, June 15th, at **Litton's Market, Restaurant and Bakery**, located at 2803 Essary Drive (Fountain City), at 11:00 a.m. As always, feel free to invite family and friends to join you on these outings. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board outside the Church Office.

Chair Give-away

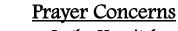
We only have a few metal folding chairs left to give away. Simply call the Church Office and schedule a time to pick some up. The chairs are free to anyone or any church that would like to have them and is willing to pick them up.

Christian Sympathy

We extend our sincere Christian sympathy to the **Family** of **Rhonda Sweet**, who passed away last Thursday, May 26th. Her husband, **Thomas**, is the pastor of the Beaver Creek Cumberland Presbyterian Church in the Powell Community. Please keep this family and congregation in your prayers.

We extend our sincere Christian sympathy to the Family of Joni Warner (friend of the Family of Jewell Kerr), who passed away last Monday, May 30th. Please keep this family in your prayers





In the Hospital

No one connected to First Cumberland is known to be in the hospital at this time. PTL!

Health and Prayer Concerns (alphabetized)

Mildred Acuff; Preston Beeler (cousin of Greg Beeler); Charlotte Byrd; Gordon Blaylock; Dick Booher; Kim Boyatt (friend of Susan Edwards); Peggy Bradshaw (mother of Dianne Fielder); Wanell Brown (friend of Rose Wilkinson); David Clark (coworker of Tom DeLozier); Carol Craven (sister of Lois Witmer); Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries around the world, Mary Helen Daniel; Sarah DeLozier (daughter of Tom and Emily DeLozier); Mae Denton (friend of Tammy Eblen); Nora Derreberry (mother of Maxine Curtis); Grace Flory (mother of Lois Witmer); Judy Gammon; Lynne Garrison (sister of Lois Witmer); Mark Hester; Bud and Betty Hickman (friends of Mary Ann Haney); Christina and Baby Girl Hinkle (daughter of Pastor Mike and Joanna); Bobbie Himes (sister of Jin Gaston); Becky Ingle (friend of Amanda Roberts); Kim Jones (friend of Amanda and Scott Roberts); Jewell Kerr; Sherri Kramer (friend of Joy Taylor); Steve Kusenda (brother-in-law of Margaret Migas); Bob Lawson (friend of Pastor Mike); McCammon; Maxine McGuire; Catherine McKinney; Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Brian Migas (son of Margaret Migas); Jonathan Migas (son of Margaret Migas); Georgia Moore (sister of Jewell Kerr); Mary Anne Moncier (aunt of Dianne Fielder); Dewaine Moncier, Jr. (cousin of Dianne Fielder); Alice Montgomery; Amy Beth Davidson Morgan; Barbara Mullenax; Cliff Parrott; Tom Parrott (son of Cliff Parrott); persecuted Christians around the world, Jan Pipkin (sister-in-law of Dianne Pipkin); David Poore (coworker of Phil Bridges); Anna Faye Presley (niece of Catherine McKinney); Becky Rader; David and Rebecca Rech (parents of Justin Rech); John Snoderly (brother of Betty Hammill); John Snoderly, Jr. (nephew of Betty Hammill); Sydney Snoderly (great-niece of Betty Hammill); Charlie Spalding (friend of Joy Taylor); Jean Stapleton (mother of Elaine Stapleton); Gladys Stone; FAMILY OF RHONDA SWEET; Angel Tindell (grand-daughter of Catherine McKinney); Donna Walker; Carl Ware (father of Sam Ware); FAMILY OF JONI WARNER (friend of Jewell Kerr's sons); Codde Weaver (son of Elaine Stapleton); Devan Wilhite (friend of Greg Beeler); Lois Witmer

Please keep the Church Office informed of any needed changes to our Prayer Concerns list.

Church's Website

The church's website, www.first-cumberland.org, includes audio recordings of the sermons from the previous four Worship Services.

Second Harvest Food Drop

Faith Fellowship Cumberland Presbyterian Church, near Dixie Lee Junction, is sponsoring a free **Second Harvest Food Drop** this coming Saturday, June 4th, starting at 8:30 a.m., for those in need of help with food.