

The Cumberland

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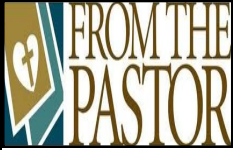
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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

September 9, 2015



Remember, September is **Outreach Emphasis Month**. During this month, I want to encourage everyone to invite at least one person and/or family per week to attend church with you. To aid you in this effort, our *Mission and Outreach Committee* has prepared trifold brochures for you to give to family members, friends, neighbors, classmates, coworkers, clerks at the store, servers at the restaurant—the list of who we can invite is endless. These brochures will be included in the bulletins every Sunday during the month of September. Please participate in **Outreach Emphasis Month** because God is doing great things here at First Cumberland and we want everyone possible to be a part of it.

The painting is now complete, the tile has been laid, and the new flooring installed in our “new” home; this means that Joanna and I will be hosting an **Open House** so that you can drop by and see where we now live. The **Open House** will be Sunday afternoon, October 11th, from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Our address is 1504 Clear Brook Drive, Knoxville, TN 37922. Our subdivision is named Brentmoor, and it is located on the corner of Nubbin Ridge Drive and Ebenezer Road. We want everyone to drop by for the **Open House** so that you will know where we now live and so that you can drop by at anytime in the future. Throughout our ministry, Joanna and I have had an open door policy where church members visiting in our home have been a common occurrence. We want this policy to continue in our newest home; in other words, you are always welcome in our home.

One last thought: this coming Sunday, September 13th, will be the final Sunday of my second year as pastor of First Cumberland. For Joanna and I, it has been a great two years; we pray it has been for you as well.

Learning the unforced rhythms of grace,
Pastor Mike

Homecoming 2015

Homecoming 2015 will now be held on Sunday, October 4th. Please inform everyone you have asked to attend **Homecoming 2015** of this change in date. Since October 4th is *World-Wide Communion Sunday*, we will celebrate the *Lord's Supper* during our Worship Service. We will also have “dinner on the ground” (a.k.a., “pot luck dinner in the Gym”), special music, historical displays, and a whole lot more. The day will begin at 9:30 a.m., with a time of fellowship and remembrance over coffee, juice, and homemade pastries. This time can also be used to look at the historical displays. There will be no Sunday School on this day. Our Worship Service will begin at 10:30 a.m. (note the time change). Look for additional details in *The Cumberlander* over the next few weeks and share the information with everyone you know. We are still collecting pictures and memorabilia to be used that day; please get these items to the Church Office as soon as possible. Also, if you would like to share *A Homecoming Moment* during an upcoming Worship Service, please let **Pastor Mike** know as soon as possible.

Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry

Save the date: On Saturday, September 26th, the Presbytery of East Tennessee is sponsoring an **English Tea**, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon, at the Beaver Creek Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Information about the mission work of the Thistle Farm, in Nashville, will be shared. See **Betty Hammill** to make reservations by Sunday, September 13th. Let us have a large group to participate.

Youth News

- * September 11th—This coming Friday night, our **High School Group** will go to **Market Square Movie Night**; meet at the church at 6:30 p.m.; eat dinner prior to coming to church; bring a blanket or lawn chair and snacks.
- * September 13th—This coming Sunday afternoon, our **Middle School Group** will go to **Laser Quest**; meet at Laser Quest at 1:30 p.m.; eat lunch prior to arriving at Laser Quest; bring money for games (\$8.00 per game, they may play two games).
- * October 24th—Our **Whole Youth Group** will help set up for our **Fall Festival** from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.
- * October 25th—Our **Whole Youth Group** will help with our **Fall Festival**, starting after our Worship Service.

Church-Wide Work Day

In preparation for **Homecoming 2015**, we will have another **Work Day** this coming Saturday, September 12th, beginning at 9:00 a.m. We will be working both inside (cleaning the Keene Room kitchen, work room, conference room, and office area) and out (weed-eating, painting, etc.) We need everyone's help!

Church's Website

The church's website, www.first-cumberland.org, now includes the recorded sermons of our worship services. Look for the link on the bottom left-hand corner of our homepage. We hope this is helpful to those who miss an occasional Sunday, are shut-in and unable to attend, or who live out of town but still want to be connected to First Cumberland in this manner.

*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

September 9th-15th

14th ~ Gene McCammon

Stewardship Report September 6, 2015	
Sunday School.....	46
Worship.....	70
Offering.....	\$5,939.25
Building Reimbursement.....	\$243.00

Activities for September 9-15, 2015	
Wednesday:	6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
Friday:	6:30 p.m. High School Outing
Saturday:	9:00 a.m. Church-Wide Work Day
Sunday:	9:30 a.m. Sunday School
	10:45 a.m. Worship Service
	1:30 p.m. Middle School Outing
(See web site for complete calendar listings)	

Among Our People

Mildred Acuff is still at Westmoreland Health and Rehab Center (formerly Brakebill Nursing Home) for rehab as she recovers from a light stroke; she is in room 114 . . . It was great having **Jimmy** and **Leslie Emory** (Brack Emory’s brother and sister-in-law from Alabama), **John** and **June Givens** (Christina Collins’ parents from upper East Tennessee), and **Vicki Moore** and **Debbie Silva** (friends of the Wilkinsons from Alabama) worshiping with us last Sunday . . . After spending a few days in the hospital, **Ada Ladd** is now in North Haven Health Care for rehab . . . **Marlene Ritchey** remains under hospice care . . . Congratulations to **Bryan Rogers** (son of Bonnie Bridges) for graduating from Pellissippi State with a degree in Mechanical Engineering . . .

Friendship Club

The next Dutch-treat luncheon for the **Friendship Club** is Wednesday, September 23rd (this is the fourth Wednesday of the month instead of the normal third Wednesday), at 11:00 a.m., at **Carrabba’s Italian Grill** (324 North Peters Road). Everyone reading this announcement is welcome to attend this and all **Friendship Club** outings; you are even encouraged to invite friends from outside the church. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board near the Church Office; signing-up is not a requirement, but it does help in making reservations.

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age.”

words of Jesus in **Matthew 28:19-20**, RSV

Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

Cooky Dyer @ Parkwest Medical Center

Health and Prayer Concerns (alphabetized)

Mildred Acuff; Sarah Ames (mother of a coworker of Kathy Byers); Janie Beeler (wife of Greg Beeler); Preston Beeler (cousin of Greg Beeler); Charlotte Byrd; Gordon Blaylock; Dick Booher; Kim Boyatt (friend of Susan Edwards); Peggy Bradshaw (mother of Dianne Fielder); Greg Brown (friend of Mary Cregger); Carol Craven (sister of Lois Witmer); Mary Cregger; Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries; Mary Helen Daniel; Mae Denton (friend of Tammy Eblen); Nora Derreberry (mother of Maxine Curtis); Jim and Cooky Dyer; Edna Fleenor; Grace Flory (mother of Lois Witmer); Sandy Gang (cousin of Greg Beeler); Lynne Garrison (sister of Lois Witmer); Mark Hester; Bud and Betty Hickman (friends of Mary Ann Haney); Bobbie Himes (sister of Jin Gaston); Kim Holloway (friend of Lisa Hayes); Bettye Hudson (friend of Pastor Mike’s mother); Becky Ingle (friend of Amanda Roberts); Kim Jones (friend of Amanda and Scott Roberts); Carl Kissiah (father of Joanna Wilkinson); Sherri Kramer (friend of Joy Taylor); Ada Ladd; Bob Lawson (friend of Pastor Mike); Gene McCammon; Maxine McGuire; Catherine McKinney; Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Bob Metts; 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); Bob Neal (son-in-law of Mildred Acuff); Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Cliff Parrott; Tom Parrott (son of Cliff Parrott); persecuted Christians around the world; David Poore (coworker of Phil Bridges); Anna Faye Presley (niece of Catherine McKinney); J.D. and Sarah Price (friends of Alice Montgomery); Nicolae Racile (father of a friend of Joy Taylor); Becky Rader; David and Rebecca Rech (parents of Justin Rech); Marlene Ritchey; Bryan Rogers (Bonnie Bridges’ son); Tara Shelley and baby (due in November); Gladys Stone; John Snoderly (brother of Betty Hammil); Sydney Snoderly (great-niece of Betty Hammill); Carl Ware (father of Sam Ware); Joni Warner (friend of Jewell Kerr’s sons); Lois Witmer; Kevin and Nancy Wood

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

Chapel Carpet Fund

Classical Conversations has started a **Chapel Carpet Fund** to replace the carpet in our Chapel. Though the money has not yet been fully raised, the carpet has been ordered and should be installed before **Homecoming 2015**. To date, \$2,327.01 has been given; the cost has been lowered to approximately \$5,900.00, so nearly \$3,600.00 is still needed. Classical Conversations continues to raise funds; anyone who would like to help can donate to it, make your check out to the church and mark it **Chapel Carpet Fund**.