

# The Cumberland

## Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Inc.

6900 Nubbin Ridge, Knoxville, TN 37919 ~ E-mail: [firstcpc@earthlink.net](mailto:firstcpc@earthlink.net) ~

(865) 588-8581

Kevin Wood ~ Pastor

Website: [www.first-cumberland.org](http://www.first-cumberland.org)

Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

March 7, 2012

### FAITH FOR THE FUTURE

March 4, 2012

The end is in sight! One year ago today, on March 6, 2011, we launched our Faith for the Future campaign. Our goal was \$200,000 to replace all piping from the boiler room in the basement to the heat/AC units all over our facility. We were delighted when our contractor's final billing totaled \$183,778 – well below his original estimate. Extra costs related to the project (worn out valves and joints) were \$7,288.76 – pushing our grand total to \$191,066.38.

To date we have paid our contractor \$89,264.62.

To date we have received \$157,163.15 in our Faith for the Future campaign.

This means the end is in sight! We need only \$38,737.05 to complete this project. Dare we anticipate finishing this by Easter? That's five weeks off.

I said a year ago today we needed five \$10,000 gifts; we have 4.

I said a year ago today we needed ten \$5000 gifts; we have 10.

I said we needed several \$1000 gifts; we have 9.

And we have many gifts of varying amounts to make our total.

We are in another tax year now. Can you give more? Can 33 people give \$1000? Can 50 people give \$500? I will tell you that I'll be one of the 33 – and add \$1000 to my initial gift of \$10,000.

Those of you who have not yet participated in this great venture – now is the time!

By April 8 – Easter Sunday – let's clear this debt – and show that we do have Faith for the Future of Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church!

And, on Easter Sunday, we can repeat Jesus' words from the cross: "It is finished"!

J. David Hester

### FAITHFULNESS TO THE LORD!

As pastor, I invite you to join me during the remainder of Lent in being "faithful" to the Lord and His Church! Will you make a commitment to faithfully participate in each of the following opportunities/ministries?

(1) During the remainder of Lent through Easter Sunday (March 11-April 8) will you attend worship each Sunday and bring a guest with you?

(2) Will you join an existing Sunday School class or a special weekly evening Bible study group for spiritual growth and fellowship to fulfill the Lord's prayer for His disciples that "they all may be one?"

(3) Will you pray and read the word of God daily as an act of personal devotion to the Lord?

(4) Will you personally make an offering to our FISH ministry and/or any other compassion ministry the church may be involved in to fulfill the Lord's call to serve "the least of these, My brothers and sisters?"

(5) During Holy Week (April 1-7), will you participate in the special Maundy Thursday Worship and Communion Service (April 5, 6:30 p.m.) to identify more closely with the Lord and His disciples?

Only those who prove faithful will receive the Master's reward: "Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things. I will make you ruler over many things!" (Matthew 25:21)



### NEXT 'NIGHT OF PRAISE AND WORSHIP' MARCH 18!

Our special guests for the next 'Night of Praise and Worship' Sunday, March 18, 5:00 p.m. will be the Youth Choir and Drama Team from Dyersburg Cumberland Presbyterian Church! Youth pastor Matt Tyler and a total of 55 youth and adults will be with us for worship in the sanctuary!

Following the service a potluck dinner will be held in the gym! Please bring meats, salads, vegetables and desserts to share with the group. Please also encourage any youth and young adults you know to join us. It will be a night to remember!

### INQUIRER'S CLASSES IN MARCH

For those who want to learn more about the Christian faith and church membership a series of Inquirer's Classes for adults, youth and children will be held on the following schedule in March:

*This Sunday, March 11, 9:30 A.M. Adult Class in the Pastor's Office*

*Sunday, March 18, 9:30 A.M. Youth Class in the Pastor's Office (grades 5 and above)*

*Sunday, March 25, 9:30 A.M. Children's Class in the Pastor's Office (grade 4 and below)*

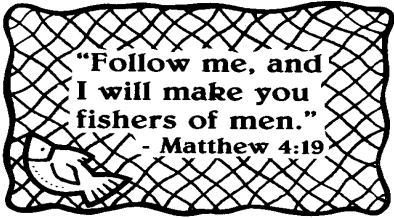
Please call and let me know of your interest (228-0710).

~Pastor Kevin

Knoxville First Cumberland  
Presbyterian Church, Inc.  
6900 Nubbin Ridge Drive  
Knoxville, TN 37919  
Return Service Requested




Non-Profit  
Organization  
U.S. Postage Paid  
Permit No. 90  
Knoxville,  
Tennessee




# Happy Birthday

## March



11-Madelyn McCurry  
13-Chrissy Curtis  
15-Sarah Pipkin




### Activities for March 11-17, 2012

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Worship Service  
Weds., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice  
(See web site for complete calendar listings)

### Stewardship Report for February March 4, 2012

Sunday School.....	56
Worship.....	70
Offering .....	\$6,618.00
Capital Improvements Fund .....	\$25.00




### PRAYER/BIBLE STUDY DURING LENT

You, your family and friends are invited to join the pastor for a Prayer/Bible Study group during Lent! The study will be held on five Thursday nights, 6:30 p.m. beginning next Thursday, March 1 (March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29).  
The topic for the study will be “The ‘I AM’ Sayings of Jesus!” Come and pray with us and discover the unique claims of the Christ!

February 22	Joel 2:12-18	March 16	Mark 12:28-34
February 23	Luke 9:22-25	March 17	Hosea 6:1-6
February 24	Isaiah 58:1-9	March 18	Ephesians 2:4-10
February 25	Luke 5:27-32	March 19	Romans 4:13-18, 22
February 26	Genesis 9:8-15	March 20	John 5:1-16
February 27	Leviticus 19:1-18	March 21	John 5:17-30
February 28	Matthew 6:7-15	March 22	Psalms 106:19-23
February 29	Jonah 3:1-10	March 23	Psalms 34:17-21, 23
		March 24	John 7:40-53
March 1	Matthew 7:7-12	March 25	Jeremiah 31:31-34
March 2	Matthew 5:20-26	March 26	Psalms 40:7-11
March 3	Matthew 5:43-48	March 27	Numbers 21:4-9
March 4	Romans 8:31-34	March 28	Daniel 3:14-20, 21-25
March 5	Daniel 9:4-10	March 29	John 8:51-59
March 6	Isaiah 1:10, 16-20	March 30	Psalms 18:2-7
March 7	Matthew 20:17-28	March 31	Ezekiel 37:21-28
March 8	Jeremiah 17:5-10		
March 9	Genesis 37:3-28	April 1	Mark 11:1-10
March 10	Psalms 103:1-4, 9-12	April 2	John 12:1-11
March 11	Exodus 20:1-17	April 3	Isaiah 49:1-6
March 12	2 Kings 5:1-15	April 4	Matthew 26:14-25
March 13	Matthew 18:21-35	April 5	Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14
March 14	Psalms 147:12-20	April 6	Hebrews 4:14-5:9
March 15	Psalms 95:1-2, 6-9	April 7	Genesis 1:1-2:2
		April 8	Matthew 28:1-10

### FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club invites you to join them for their monthly fellowship luncheon Wednesday, March 14, 11:00 a.m. at Sullivan’s Fine Food at Rocky Hill, 7545 Northshore Drive (694-9696). Newcomers are always welcome! Sign up on the bulletin board or call the church office (588-8581).



## Prayer Concerns

### In the Hospital

John Gibson, (Susan Shelton’s father)

### 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); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder’s mother); J.B. & Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis parents); Ann Redding (Andrea Gollieher’s mother); Marlene Ritchey; Brian Migas; Richard H. Zimmerman (Richard Zimmerman’s father); Marlena Livesay, daughter of Sara Woodcox (Pastor’s neighbor); Tom Holbert (Bonnie Holbert’s son, cancer); Ann Jennings (friend of Greg Beeler, terminal cancer); Dick Booher; Tara Null (friend of Lindsay Hammill Duncan); Taylor Ford; Sue Jenkins (Judy Gammon’s cousin); Colonel Bud Day, USAF (Ret). POW VIETNAM (friend of Cliff Parrott); Tom Parrott (Cliff’s son); Richard Congdon; Lu Simmons (friend Mary Ann Haney); Carl Ware (Sam’s father); Brad West (co-worker of Phil Bridges); Mary McJunkins, (Mary Wegman’s mother); Melissa Stutts, (Sam and Karen Ware’s daughter); Sarah Gamble, (Alice Montgomery’s niece); Eric Nelson, (friend of the Witmer clan); Lynne Blanco, (friend of Sheri Hill).

*Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes to our Prayer Concerns list. Call 588-8581 or email [firstcpc@earthlink.net](mailto:firstcpc@earthlink.net).*

## FISH CAMPAIGN

Thank you for your contributions. We now have \$545. We have also collected 23 jars of peanut butter so far. We will be collecting peanut butter until the last week of March. Our bagging dates are at the pantry site at 9:30 am on March 31, April 7 and 14. Sign up on the bulletin board if you can help. Thank you for your support in feeding the hungry of our community.

## ETERNAL LIFE!

### Receive the Gift This Easter!

March 8, 15, 22 and 29, 6:30 P.M.  
*Lenten Prayer/Bible Study Group*  
Palm Sunday, April 1, 10:45 A.M.  
*Choir-led Easter Music*  
Maundy Thursday, April 5, 6:30 P.M.  
*Worship Service and Holy Communion*  
Friday, April 6, 12 Noon  
*Good Friday Ecumenical Service at Sacred Heart Catholic Church featuring “The Seven Last Sayings of Jesus Christ from the Cross!”*  
Saturday, April 7, 11:30 A.M.  
*Community Easter Egg Hunt (T.-G.5)*  
Easter Sunday, April 8, 7:30 A.M.  
*Early Service in the Courtyard*  
*(weather permitting, alt. location: Chapel)*  
Easter Sunday, April 8, 8:30 A.M.  
*Full Breakfast in the Gym (donations accepted)*  
Easter Sunday, April 8, 10:45 A.M.  
*“Celebration of Life” Worship Service and Holy Communion*

\*Nursery Available for All Services and Activities