

The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

July 25, 2012

A LETTER TO THE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF FIRST CHURCH

The following letter was shared with the Session and congregation last Sunday following the morning worship service at First Church:

For the past seven years Nancy and I have had the wonderful privilege of serving the Lord with you at Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church. You have supported us through illness and have been faithful in your encouragement of my preaching the Good News!

Last Tuesday, July 17 I submitted and the Session approved my letter of resignation as pastor of First Church. I also requested and was granted a sixty day notice in order to allow me to begin a search for other churches and job opportunities as the Lord leads. It was also agreed that my last Sunday at First Church will be September 16.

Nancy and I believe God has shown us that our ministry with you is complete and it is time for a change in pastoral leadership so that First Church can move forward and claim the future God has for you. We have tried to love you and care for you and lead you to do God's work. Now we encourage you and pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the great Head of the Church, that you will continue to fulfill your calling to be His faithful witnesses in this community.

As always we will be available to you for any pastoral needs in the coming weeks. Please do not hesitate to call on me since I will remain your pastor as long as time permits. I will be happy to work with the Session as they begin the pastoral search process.

Nancy and I have already begun praying for your future, a future guaranteed to all those who trust in God and desire to serve the Body of Christ. We believe God is going to send you the right leader! Join us in prayer in the days ahead that God will reveal His choice to you.

Thank you for all your love and prayers and for the rich Christian fellowship we have enjoyed as your pastoral family. Wherever we are led from here, we will remember all the blessings of knowing and serving the Lord Jesus along with you.

*With All Our Love in Christ,
Kevin and Nancy Wood*

FRIENDSHIP CLUB IN AUGUST

The Friendship Club invites everyone available to join them for a fellowship luncheon Wednesday, August 15, 11:00 A.M. at Lulu's Tea Room, 3703 West Beaver Creek Drive in Powell (947-5858). A reservation has already been made and you are welcome to bring friends! Sign up on the bulletin board outside the church offices or call 588-8581/228-0710. Hope to see you there!

SESSION MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Session will be held Tuesday, August 21, 7:00 p.m. in the Keene Room. Session packets will be available in the narthex by Sunday, August 19. All elders are encouraged to be present.



BEAUTIFUL WHITE KITTENS STILL AVAILABLE!

They're growing more every day and need great homes and loving hearts to claim them! Five beautiful kittens (three boys, two girls) available to go home with you! Fixed, litter-trained, tested, and vaccinated. Come by and check them out! Please call us for an appointment (228-0710).

~Pastor Kevin

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Happy Birthday



July
29-Otis Shelby
30-Margaret Migas

August
1-Connor Davis
2-Hannah Davis
4-Steve GWilliams



Activities for July 29–August 4, 2012

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
Fri., 8:00 a.m. Charity Sale
Sat., 8:00 a.m. Charity Sale
(See web site for complete calendar listings)

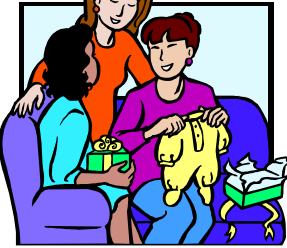
Stewardship Report for July 22, 2012	
Sunday School.....	44
Worship.....	68
Offering	\$2,213.75
Capital Improvements Fund	\$65.00

OUR CHURCH BILLS

Do you know that even if you are not here, that our church bills continue to come in on a regular basis? Just like they do at your house. If you are gone on vacation, remember to mail in your offering to support your church. Thank you!!!!

It's A Boy!

To help celebrate and welcome a new addition, the ladies of the church are invited to a baby shower for Lisa Hayes on Sunday, July 29th at 1:30pm in the Keene Room. Lisa is registered at Target. The shower is hosted by Julie Rech and Laura Paschke.



CONGRATULATIONS to J. David Hester who has a new great grandson, Harry David Hester.

Please check the kitchen off the Keene room for casseroles and plastic stuff. Unclaimed items will go to the charity sale.

UPDATE FROM PROMISE ISLAND

All appears to be well after a wild grass skirted woman interrupted the opening assembly on Sunday. This woman then gathered all the children around her and told them a Bible story. I am sure that pictures will be posted on facebook and on the website. From our vantage point a good time was had by all attending. Signing off from Promise Island.



Prayer Concerns
In the Hospital
Ethel Bankert, York, PA, (Tom's mother)
Daisy Ware, Tennova

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns
CP Missionaries; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Mary Cregger; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Gladys Stone; Mildred Acuff; 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 Gollither'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); Taylor Ford; Sue Jenkins (Judy Gammon's cousin); Colonel Bud Day, USAF (Ret). POW VIETNAM (friend of Cliff Parrott); Lu Simmons (friend Mary Ann Haney); Mary McJunkins, (Mary Wegman's mother); Eric Nelson, (friend of the Witmer clan); Donna Wingard, (Mildred Acuff's daughter); Ann Fleming, (Beth Rader Fleming's mother-in-law); Pat Shetterly, (Sherry's mother, stroke recovery); Faye O'Neal; Earl Beeler, (Greg Beeler's uncle); Debbie & David Triese, (Margaret Migas's sister and husband); Steve Goodrich; Debbie Holloway, (friend of Jack and Jin Gaston); Martha Petree, (friend of Kevin Wood and Greg Beeler); Steven Ritchey, (Marlene's grandson recovering from surgery); Saxon Cochran, 12-year old rare cancer with no known cure (neighbor of the Bridges'); Janie Beeler, (Greg Beeler's wife); the family of Sarah Gamble, (Alice Montgomery's niece).

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



CHARITY SALE

The dates for our Annual Charity Sale is scheduled for August 3 and 4.

Please begin to bring your items that you want to donate to the church for us to sell. Left over yard sale items. Moving? Not enough room? Bring your extras here. Estate sale items. No item will be turned away.

We will need lots of help, sorting, arranging, pricing, working the sale. Please contact the office if you want to help; CALL—Tom Witmer (742-9377) or Maxine Curtis (357-0441).

We are now accepting items. Call office to arrange a delivery time.

