

# The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

*"Loving God, Loving People"*

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### IN REMEMBRANCE!

Our worship experience together this coming Sunday, September 11 will include remembrances of the tenth anniversary of September 11, 2001 when our nation was shaken by an act of terrorism.

Reverend Billy Graham, who spoke one week later during a memorial service at the National Cathedral in Washington, D. C., said: *"this event reminds us of the brevity and uncertainty of life. We never know when we too will be called into eternity. I doubt even if one of those people who got on those planes, or walked into the World Trade Center or the Pentagon last Tuesday morning thought it would be the last day of their lives. It didn't occur to them. And that's why each of us needs to face our own spiritual need and commit ourselves to God and His will now."*

You are invited to join us this coming Sunday, 10:45 a.m. as we remember what the Psalmist wrote thousands of years ago: *"God is our refuge and strength, an ever present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea!"* (Psalm 46:1,2)

### ELDER NOMINATION PROCESS

It is time again for the nomination and election of three new elders on the church Session. Elders are elected by the congregation to serve three year terms. Those rotating off at the end of 2011 are Richard Congdon, Maxine Curtis and Kim Halbert. They will form a Nominating Committee to receive your suggestions for the office. Please prayerfully consider the names of those members of the church whom you believe would serve best at this time and pass them on to the Nominating Committee or any elder currently active on Session. The deadline for your suggestions will be Sunday, September 18.

### NEXT TASK FORCE MEETING

The next meeting of the Task Force will be this coming Sunday, September 11, 6:00 p.m. in the Keene Room. All those who are helping to develop plans for the service are encouraged to be present to share your ideas and leadership.

### THE SEASON OF PRAYER CONTINUES

*Pray that the Lord will build His Church at 6900 Nubbin Ridge Drive*

*Pray that God's People will be open to the Spirit*

*Pray that barriers to church growth will fall*

*Pray for those facing trials and trouble, addictions and disease*

*Pray for the Church of Jesus Christ around the world*

*Pray for the Youth and Children's Ministries of First Church*

*Pray for the Task Force on a new Contemporary Service*

*Pray that America will turn to the Lord*

*Thank God for prayers answered already!!!*

*Still available: Prayer booklets; Prayer Groups! Add names and needs to "Prayer Central" in the Chapel. Call us: 588-8581/228-0710.*

### FIRST CHURCH TO HOST PRESBYTERY

First Church will host the fall meeting of East Tennessee Presbytery Saturday, October 1, 9:00 a.m. Pastors and elders from 44 churches will be present to worship, fellowship, and conduct the business of the church at large that day. You are encouraged to attend and observe any part or all of the meeting to learn more about how the Cumberland Presbyterian Church works. A catered luncheon will be served. Our delegates will include both pastors and elder Allison Davis. Come and see!

~Pastor Kevin

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# Happy Birthday

## September

12-Reba Smith

14-Eugene McCammon

16-Courtney McCurry

17-Maxine McGuire

## Activities for September 11-17, 2011

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Worship Service  
Weds., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice  
Thurs., 6:30 p.m. Stewardship & Finance

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

## Stewardship Report for September 4, 2011

Sunday School.....	51
Worship.....	73
Offering.....	\$4,373.25
Capital Improvements Fund .....	\$15.00

## Lay Ministry Corner

As the ten year anniversary of 9/11 quickly approaches, I hear more and more people recalling where they were on the day of 9/11/01. Personally, at that time, I was at our church in the Keene Room with Susan Overton and the other ladies taking the Beth Moore Bible study of David. I remember every time the door would open, yet again, and we would hang our heads because we knew that the assistant pastor was about to walk in with more significant news to share. I've often wondered why we just kept going. It seemed like the devastating stories would not end. After pondering this memory, I concluded that we just couldn't think of anything else to do in that moment that would bring us more peace than to draw up to our God with our Sisters in Christ. In Matthew 28:20 Jesus assures us, "... surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." He was with us then, and He will be there now for those who seek Him and want His peace that transcends all.

## FRIENDSHIP CLUB IN SEPTEMBER

Participation in Friendship Club outings are growing and you are cordially invited to the next fellowship luncheon with us Wednesday, September 14, 11:00 a.m. at Kanpai of Tokyo, 1645 Downtown West Boulevard (693-3903). Anyone at least 55 years-old has a standing invitation including family and friends. Join us!

## SESSION MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Session is scheduled for Tuesday, September 20, 7:00 p.m. Packets will be available in the narthex by Sunday, September 18. All elders are encouraged to be present.

## BABY SHOWER

A Baby shower will be held September 25 at 2pm in the Keene Room for Tara Eblen Shelley and her husband Joshua. Oh, I almost forgot Brooklyn who we are following her grow bigger on Facebook. Come and celebrate!!!!



## Prayer Concerns

### In the Hospital

Virginia Chesney, Park West

### 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; Pam Wisner; 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; Al (friend of Patty Fitzgerald); Jessie Black (Ann Bachman's mother); Rocky Dukes (Nancy Woods co-worker's husband); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); Eric Nelson (friend of Witmers and Davis's); J.B. & Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis parents); Ann Redding (Andrea Golliher's mother); Marlene Ritchey; Betty Hammill; Lynne Garrison (Lois Witmer's sister); Brian Migas; Richard H. Zimmerman (Richard Zimmerman's father); Reed Davis (Whitney Goodrich's father); Richard Congdon; Marlana Livesay, daughter of Sara Woodcox (Pastor's neighbor); Nell Souder (Whitney Goodrich's grandmother); David Rech (Justin Rech's father); Rue Dougherty; J.A. Boone and Joyce Boone; Steve GWilliams; Jeff Yates (Phil Bridges nephew); the family of Richard Dougherty.

*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).*

## COOKIE MIX FOR SALE

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 is \$5 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.

## Directory Update

We have begun the process of updating our Church Directory. Please fill out the forms located in the Narthex and give turn them into the office. We hope to have a new directory printed by the end of September. Any questions, ask Wendy Goodrich.

## NEED A NOTARY?

We now have Tennessee Notary service in the office. Call if you need anything notarized.

## FAVORITE HYMN MONTH

The Worship Committee has declared the month of September to be "Favorite Hymn Month". There are forms available in the Narthex for you to fill out and suggest your Favorite Hymn(s).

