

The Cumberland

Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Inc.

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

May 15, 2013

WELCOME PATRICK!

We welcome into our church fellowship **Patrick Curtis** who came forward and made his Profession of Faith at the conclusion of Sunday's worship service. He was received into our church and was baptized.

Patrick has been a part of our church all of his life. He lives with his grandparents, **Jim and Maxine Curtis** and his father **Jeff Curtis** – along with sisters Dawn and Chrissy and brothers Justin and Chris. Patrick is completing his third grade at Rocky Hill school.

We pray for God's blessings on this family as they move forward with Patrick in his spiritual development in the future years.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

Pentecost
SUNDAY

"The day of Pentecost brings the Easter season to a climactic finale. The world rejoices with unrestrained joy, for the GOD who raised Jesus from the dead has raised the church, and sent it on its missionary tasks, and has given the Holy Spirit to be its life-giving soul.

The roots of Pentecost are in the Jewish festival of Shavout, of which the Greek word Pentecost is equivalent to the 'fiftieth day'. Shavout is the fiftieth day after the beginning of Passover; the Christian Pentecost is the fiftieth day of Easter. For Israel, Shavout was a day of thanksgiving for the wheat harvest, and an annual commemoration of the giving of the Law at Mt. Sinai.

Just as the giving of the Law marked a new relationship between Israel and the GOD who had delivered them from Egypt in the Exodus, so Pentecost marks the beginning of a new relationship between humanity and the GOD who raised Jesus from death." (Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church, Buffalo NY)

So, on Sunday we shall **celebrate Pentecost**. The liturgical color changes from white to red. So – everyone is encouraged to wear something red – shirt, blouse, tie, hat – just show something red. Dr. Hester will be preaching on *"A Holy Happening"*. Come and be a part of the celebration!

63 YEARS AND COUNTING

On the second Sunday of May, 1950, I became pastor of the Wingo, KY Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Sunday I celebrated 63 years in the pastoral ministry. Join me in thanking God for these years.

– J. David Hester

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, May 19 – 6:00 – Session meeting

June 2-5 – Vacation Bible School

Among Our People

Jack Gaston is recovering from heart by-pass surgery (5) last week; Son **Eddie** has been in from Orlando ... Good to welcome **Tom Chesney** back for worship Sunday ... **Richard Booher** still at son's home in Morristown; taking weekly treatments to help his walking ... **James Paschkes** were in Cleveland Sunday visiting James' grandmother ... Congratulations to **Lindsay Bridges** on her graduation Saturday from Tusculum College ... We welcome to our world **Leah Dawn Bonfield**, born to Matt and Megan Bonfield in Indianapolis on May 8, weighing 8 lb, 14 ozs. She is great granddaughter of Dr. Hester and granddaughter of Mark & Melanie Hester Kuhnenn and niece of **Dianne Pipkin** ...

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Happy Birthday



May

21— Robyn Halbert



Activities for May 19-25, 2013

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
6:00 p.m. Session Meeting
Weds., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report May 12, 2013

Sunday School.....34
Worship.....73
Offering\$5,692.09
Memorial, Virginia Chesney.....\$375.00
Building Fund.....\$5.00
Building Reimbursement.....\$40.00

LOOKING AHEAD

Wednesday, May 15, 11:00 – Friendship Club, Riverside Grille, Oak Ridge

LAY MAN'S CORNER

Got conflict?
The Bible is not a book to be read and memorized, but it's true value comes when we apply it to our lives!
The Bible speaks a lot about how we should not stew with anger in our hearts, so I found myself contemplating the "why" behind this wisdom from our Heavenly Father.
What does anger accomplish? Does it resolve anything? Does it help or block communication with others? Isn't it usually self serving? Yes, there are times when righteous anger is appropriate. But even this anger has it's time and needs to be surrendered, less it becomes more about ourselves than God's justice being done. Yes, conflict resolution is a precious thing that can only achieved once anger is surrendered and we stop listing off the shortcomings of another and look for how we could have been better in all things. Is it possible our emotions are more about our own unrealistic expectations? Is it possible we need to rethink how we view things? We must be quick to apologize for our part in any conflict. This is our responsibility. Then peace is possible, even though perfection will not be found in this world, but is our hope in the perfection to come once justice is complete.
~Donna Walker



SADDLE UP!! THE ROUNDUP IS COMING!!
JUNE 2—5
ASK JUDY GWILLIAMS ABOUT WHAT IT IS!!



Prayer Concerns In the Hospital

Mildred Acuff, Brakebill
Jack Gaston, Ft. Sanders



On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

CP Missionaries; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Mary Cregger; Bonnie Holbert; Gladys Stone; Mildred Acuff; Maxine McGuire; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bud & Betty Hickman; Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis's mother); Marlene Ritchey; Brian Migas; Richard H. Zimmerman (Richard Zimmerman's father); Taylor Ford; 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); Debbie & David Triese, (Margaret Migas's sister and husband); Steve Goodrich; Saxon Cochran (Bridges' neighbor with cancer); Carl Ware; Allison, Hailey, Connor and Hannah Davis; Janie Beeler, (Greg Beeler's wife); Martha Petree, (friend of Kevin Wood and Greg Beeler); Judy Gammon; Brenda Burk (sister of Lois Witmer), Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Suzan Smith, (Jewell Kerr's daughter); Richard Himes (Jin Gaston's brother-in-law); Braydon Fulton, (son of Classical Conversations—Tuesday leader Tricia Fulton); Debbie Holloway; Mildred Gragg (friend of Mary Cregger); Kim and her family, (friends of Amanda and Scott Roberts); the Search Committee; Rufus Holbert, (Rhonda Wilson's father); the family of Virginia Chesney.

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



Dear Tom and FCPC,
The Guardian Speech & Debate Club is so grateful to you for allowing us to use your lovely Sanctuary for our showcase.
Thank you!
Jennifer Higgins

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

You are reminded of the meeting of the Friendship Club this Wednesday, May 15. We will gather at 11:00 for lunch at the Riverside Grille in Oak Ridge.