

The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

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EASTER!

What a beautiful word! Easter celebrates the resurrection of Jesus. We will have witnessed the crucifixion, the entombment; now we witness to the Resurrection!

So we gather on this Sunday morning for that great celebration. Though each Lord's Day is a "little Easter" (because we celebrate the Resurrection each Sunday), this once-a-year Easter time is always a great celebration. We invite you and your friends and relatives to join us this Sunday.

THIS WEEK

As you receive this mid-week message, be conscious of these events:

Thursday – 7:00 – Maundy Thursday Communion, McDonald Chapel

Friday – 12:00 – Good Friday worship at Sacred Heart Cathedral

Saturday – 11:00 – Community Easter Egg hunt

Sunday – 8:00 – Early worship in courtyard (dress accordingly)

8:45 – Breakfast (hosted by the Cornerstone Class)

(no cost – contributions accepted)

9:30 – Sunday Church School

10:45 – Easter morning Worship

THANK YOU!

How can we thank all of those who made the Palm Sunday worship so memorable! Special thanks to the choir and their work on the cantata. They were led by musicians **Sam & Karen Ware**, whose multiple talents guided us through the great experience. **Amanda Roberts**, serving as Liturgical Coordinator, exposed us to a dramatic presentation that was breath-taking. **James Paschke** on the trumpet enhanced the congregational singing. The quartet (**Gene McCammon, Sam Ware, Dianne Pipkin, Karen Ware**), the duet (**Laura Paschke, Heath Harper**), soloists **Julie Rech & Hannah Haddock** gave even more power to the "Canticle of the Cross".

Many of you left the worship hour saying that it was the most memorable Palm Sunday service you had ever experienced. For that we are grateful!

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Don't forget: Easter Sunday night at 8:00 will be the last in the TV series on **The Bible**.  
The crucifixion and resurrection will be the story line. History Channel.  
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AMONG OUR PEOPLE

Great to see special guests Sunday morning: **Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Darrell and Mary Golnitz**, Blairsville GA, parents of **Melody Harper**; **Rick and Shirley Pryor**, Madisonville KY, Mother and step-father of **Heath Harper**; **Rev. Carl Ware**, father of **Sam Ware**; **Rebecca Ware**, daughter of **Sam and Karen** ... **Gracie Hayes** off on fall break to Florida with **Lindsey Hammill** ... Happy 25th anniversary to **Phil & Bonnie Bridges** (March 26) ... **Mildred Acuff** will spend Easter at home of daughter **Donna** in Atlanta ... And Happy 88th birthday to **Mildred!** (March 30) ... **Richard Booher** made 3 trips to ER last week to have blood drained from knee; now at son's home in Morristown for a few days as he recuperates ... Congratulations to **Lindsay Bridges** for being named assistant volleyball coach at Bearden High School ... Special **THANK YOU** to all who came on Wednesday to "house clean" the church house sanctuary!

Search Committee Update: Since our last report to you in January, your Search Committee has continued to work hard at evaluating pastor resumes, reviewing recorded sermons that have been provided to us on CD/DVD, and conducting in-person interviews with potential candidates. Resumes are evaluated against our church's pastoral requirements and needs as approved by our church session. Reviewing sermon CD/DVDs give us an idea if further pursuit of a candidate is needed. To date, we have received and evaluated 15 resumes. Feel free to contact any Search Committee member (Amanda Roberts, Betty Hammill, Tom Witmer, Sam Ware, Bill Halbert, Phil Bridges) if you have questions.

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Happy Birthday

March

31-Taylor Golliher

April

1-Valerie Wann
2-James O'Neal
5-Elijah O'Neal

Activities for March 31-April 6, 2013

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
Tues., 11:00 a.m. West Circle
6:30 p.m. Building & Grounds
Weds., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report March 24, 2013

Sunday School.....43
Worship.....88
Offering\$4,612.85
FISH.....\$125.00
Building Fund.....\$5.00
Memorial Fund.....\$225.00

GOD BLESS OUR FISH CAMPAIGN

This week we have two things to do for our Fish campaign. First, we must meet Second Harvest at the pantry on Weisgarber Rd on Thursday morning at 9 am. The food that we have ordered will be delivered to the pantry, and it is our job to take the cases of food into the pantry from the pallets outside. Secondly, we will need to bag groceries on Saturday at the pantry site at 9:30am for about an hour. I thank all of you who have volunteered to help on both of these days. May God bless us as we help those less fortunate in our community.

It's Egg Hunt Time in Tennessee! Make plans and mark your calendars now this Saturday, March 30th at 11:00. The egg hunt will be for kids from birth to 5th grade, but we will need help from the older kids, too! Please bring one dozen filled eggs to the church for each child in your family that will be participating.

The Choir Moms invite all the ladies of the church to a baby shower for **Hannah Haddox** on Sunday, April 7th at 3:00pm in the Keene Room. Help us welcome a new baby boy to our church family!

PRESBYTERIAL CPWM

Will meet on Saturday, April 13 from 9-11am at Faith Fellowship Cumberland Presbyterian Church. We would like to get a group of ladies to go to this meeting. If you would like to go, please contact either Dianne Pipkin or Betty Hammill by April 6th.

Prayer Concerns In the Hospital

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; Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis's mother); Ann Redding (Andrea Golliher'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, stroke recovery); 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); Tama Tappin (friend of the Bridges); the family of Ethel Bankert (Tom Witmer's mother).

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

WEST CIRCLE

Will meet on Tuesday, April 2nd at 11 o'clock in the Keene Room. Please bring a sandwich -drinks and desserts will be provided. We invite all the ladies of the church to join us.

CONGRATULATIONS TO HAILEY DAVIS...

...for placing first in the TN State Optional Gymnastics Championships this past weekend. She scored Vault - 9.750(1st); Bars-9.825(1st); Beam-9.375(4th); Floor-9.825 (1st) to place first in her age group with an All Around score of 38.775.

Hailey and 4 of her teammates qualified as part of the total of 21 TN gymnasts to go to the Region 8 Championships, April 19-21 in Atlanta. There is a TN State Level 7 team that is made up of the top 8 gymnasts based on their All Around scores. The top scoring gymnast is the captain of the TN State Team. Hailey is that captain. Congratulations. There were 109 gymnasts competing in the meet. So very proud of her. It was a very pleasant ending to an extremely stressful and sad week for me and my family with the passing of my mother. Thanks to all of you! Tom