

The Cumberland

Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Inc.

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

December 14, 2011

GOD BLESS OUR ELDERS!

Phil Bridges, Dianne Pipkin and Steve Summers were elected to three-year terms as elders during the congregational meeting last Sunday! Having been previously ordained, they will be installed Sunday, January 8, 2012. Our love, prayers, encouragement and support are with them as they begin their service! Our gratitude to Richard Congdon, Maxine Curtis and Kim Halbert who just completed three years on Session and will rotate off at the end of December!



ADVENT-CHRISTMAS EVENTS!

The celebration of the birth of the Christ-child continues at First Church!

Wednesday, December 14, 11:00 A.M.

Friendship Club Christmas Luncheon at Copper Cellar

Saturday, December 17, 3:00 P.M.

Youth and Children's Christmas Party

Sunday, December 18, 10:45 A.M.

*Church wide Christmas Program featuring
the Choir, Youth and Children*

Sunday, December 18, 3:00 P.M.

Christmas Caroling and Poinsettia Delivery to the Homebound and Hospitalized
Make someone's Christmas and sing-a-long with us
(if you can't carry a tune, you can carry a poinsettia)!

Saturday, December 24, 5:00 P.M.

Christmas-Eve Candlelight Communion

Sunday, December 25, 10:00 A.M.*

Christmas Sunday Worship (no Sunday School)

*Please note the special time for worship!

REMAINING MISSION GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

MITTEN TREE--- The Mitten Tree is taking donations in the library. Hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, Bibles, Juice Boxes, and after-school snacks are needed. All gifts will be distributed through Coalition for Appalachian Ministry. Contact person: Dianne Fielder (982-6918). Deadline: Sunday, January 1.

ANGEL TREE---The Angel Tree is located in the church office and includes the names and needs of three families. Please sign in at the desk, then take the card and purchase the requested gifts, returning them to the office no later than Sunday, December 18. Contact person: Kevin Wood (228-0710). Deadline: This Sunday, December 18.



SPECIAL GUESTS JANUARY 8, 2012!

First Church will host father and son football greats Fuad Reveiz and Nick Reveiz during our worship services Sunday, January 8, 2012! They will join us to share their Christian testimonies at 10:45 a.m. (Fuad Reveiz) and for "Night of Praise and Worship" at 6:00 p.m. (Nick Reveiz). The theme for the day will be "Handling Life's Tough Decisions!"

What a great opportunity to invite youth, young adults, and people of all ages to hear two men who have faced significant challenges by placing their trust in the Lord!

Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime worship experience!

~Pastor Kevin

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Happy Birthday

December

- 18-Wendy Goodrich
- 18-Tara Shelley
- 19-Bernie Migas
- 19-Kevin Pipkin
- 22-Tammy Eblen
- 23-Laura Paschke

Activities for December 18-24, 2011

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| Sun., | 9:30 a.m. | Sunday School |
| | 10:45 a.m. | Worship Service—Churchwide Christmas Program |
| | 3:00 p.m. | Christmas Caroling |
| Weds., | 6:30 p.m. | Choir Practice |
| Sat., | 5:00 p.m. | Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service |

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for December 11, 2011

Sunday School.....	37
Worship.....	68
Offering (AM).....	\$1,490.25
Capital Improvements Fund	\$115.00

The children and youth will be having a Christmas party at 3:00 in the gym on the 17th. We will be decorating Gingerbread houses and making cards for the delivery of poinsettia’s. I ask that everyone please bring a wrapped ornament to exchange. On Dec. 18th the church will be Christmas caroling and delivering poinsettia to the homebound. We will be split into groups, so I would like to encourage all to participate. It is an amazing feeling when you see someone that is no longer able to attend church with a HUGE smile on their face when they see us. There will be a sign up sheet by the office for the caroling and delivery of poinsettia. The church has 50 tickets to see the Living Christmas Tree at 7:00pm on Sunday the 18th. We can all carpool together after our WONDERFUL afternoon of caroling and visiting with our homebound members. I hope that everyone has a Blessed and Merry Christmas!
Allison Davis
Youth and Children’s Coordinator

REBECCAS

Christmas Brunch Saturday at Holiday Inn, Cedar Bluff 10:00 a.m. Please join us. If you have any questions call Faye O’Neal.

CHOIR

The choir will practice this Saturday beginning at 1:00 p.m. It is imperative that all choir members be there.

Remember this Holiday Season that God does not want our presents; He wants our presence.

Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

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 (in Brakebill); A. R. Wood; Maxine McGuire; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bud & Betty Hickman; 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; Jessie Black (Ann Bachman’s mother, cancer); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder’s mother); J.B. & Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis parents); Ann Redding (Andrea Golliher’s mother); Marlene Ritchey; Brian Migas; Richard H. Zimmerman (Richard Zimmerman’s father); Marlana Livesay, daughter of Sara Woodcox (Pastor’s neighbor); Steve GWilliams; Tom Holbert (Bonnie Holbert’s son, cancer); Ann Jennings (friend of Greg Beeler, terminal cancer); Colonel Bob Long, USAF (retired), cancer and Colonel Bud Day, USAF (Ret). POW VIETNAM (friends of Cliff Parrott); Phil Bridges, recovering from heart attack and stent; Andrew Montgomery (cousin of Alice Montgomery) who has cancer; Dick Booher.

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

Family in need of a good used, dependable van! If you know of one or someone who can donate one, please contact the church office (588-8581). Thank you for your assistance!



CHRISTMAS GIFT (and Challenge)

The Gleaners Sunday School Class (taught by Dr. Hester) has again purchased a sheep (through Heifer International) to send to an underprivileged family overseas. This sheep will assist the family - through its wool - to gain income for sustenance. Contact us if you also want to do the same.
J. David

Year End Giving

There are only **TWO** more Sundays in this month to catch up on you pledges or to give money or items to be able to receive credit for you income taxes. Remember, just because you are not at church, our expenses continue. If you want to support the ministries of this Church, you must provide the financial support, also. To grow in Christ you really do need to attend Sunday School and Church.

YOUTH POST OFFICE

Bring your Christmas cards to Church and let the Youth and Children deliver them. Contributions are appreciated and will go the Youth Fund. Thanks You!