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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

REMEMBERING REV. LEA EARL ACUFF!

Monday morning we celebrated the life of Rev. Lea Earl Acuff, 86, a Disciples of Christ minister whose tireless devotion to service made a lasting impact on countless lives in Knoxville. Lea was also one of our best friends at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church!

Lea and Mildred were one month short of celebrating 65 years of marriage, a "star sapphire" anniversary. He also served as Chaplain at Lakeshore Mental Health Institute for over 35 years.

Our thanksgiving and gratitude to God for the personal witness, Christ-like character, exemplary commitment to marriage and family, and dedication to pastoral care of Rev. Lea Earl Acuff. "Well done, good and faithful servant!"

Mildred and family: May the peace that passes all understanding comfort and fill your hearts in the days ahead as you look forward to the Resurrection!



PIONEER CLUBS SUNDAY THIS SUNDAY!

"Pioneer Clubs Sunday" will be this Sunday, April 18, 10:45 a.m. with special music and recognition for all participants during morning worship. We've had a wonderful time and are already planning for next fall! Great job Scooters, Voyagers, and Pathfinders! See you this Sunday!

REMEMBER OUR GOAL OF 20 NEW MEMBERS FOR 2010?

We've already reached seven thanks to the prayers and invitations of the elders and all of you who really want to see the church reach others and fulfill the Great Commission! We may very well reach ten before May!!!

How can you help the church grow in 2010?

- (1) Keep Praying. Ask God to send us those who know they need faith and a church family! Nothing happens unless we ask God to change and move people!
- (2) Invite your un-churched family and friends. Simple invitations are best!
- (3) Consider yourself an ambassador for Christ all during the week, not just on Sunday mornings! Ask God to give you eyes, ears, and a heart for people who are searching!
- (4) Speak positively of your church to everyone you meet! Emphasize
 - what we do have instead of what we don't! Let people make their own decisions! Friendliness and acceptance is still the number one consideration when people are looking for a church!
- (5) Make sure you meet and greet every new visitor you can reach on Sunday mornings. Be a hospitality "champion!" Help them find everyone and everything they need! It's God's house and guess who the hosts and hostesses are?

CRAZY GOLFERS OUTING TO HOLSTON HILLS!

The "Crazy Golfers" outing to Holston Hills Country Club will be held this Sunday, April 18, 1:30 p.m. The cost: \$45.00 for green fees and cart. We are expecting all of those who made a reservation to join us. Please let me know this week if there are any changes in your plans! Looking forward to teeing it up with you!

REGULAR SESSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the church Session will be held Tuesday, April 20, 7:00 p.m. in the Keene Room. All elders are encouraged to be present. Session packets will be available in the narthex this Sunday, April 18.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB TO REGAS RESTAURANT

The Friendship Club will be going to Regas Restaurant, 318 North Gay Street, Wednesday, April 21, 11:00 a.m. Everyone at least 55 years-old has a standing invitation to join us. Sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office or call 588-8581.

~ Pastor Kevin



Join Us For Worship this Sunday! And bring a friend!



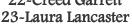


Happy Birthday



April

18-Brian McVey 19-Peter Lancaster 21-Maggie Park 22-Creed Garrett





Activities for April 18-24, 2010

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Tues. 7:00 p.m. Session

Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

8:00 p.m. Worship Committee

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for April 11, 2010

Sunday School	38
Worship	65
Offering	.\$2,107.70
Capital Improvements Fund	\$65.00
Expenses paid last week	

REJOICE WITH FISH

Our second and last bagging session was last Saturday. We had a superb crew who filled 144 bags in 45 minutes. This crew consisted of Jimmy, Dawn and Chrissy Curtis, Steve and Wendy Goodrich (who also took the cardboard to recycle - thanks), Allison, Hailey, Connor, and Hannah Davis, Tom, Donna and Marikate Walker, Margaret Migas, Faye O'Neal, Sandy Rzezutko, Lindsay Duncan, Gracie Hayes, Steve McCurry, and some helpers from Central

Baptist-Bearden - Hampton Lukens, Payton and Piper Givens, Lizzie Johnson and Betty Hammill. On Friday morning Steve McCurry went with me to the Food Bank to pick up 34 cases of vegetable beef soup that did not come in the original order. This week Bonnie Bridges will pick up some bread from Flowers Bakery. Church of the

Savior will bag the next two weeks. So we are through with our part of the month. I will have the final statistics

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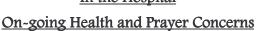
of May.

Ladies,
You are cordially invited to a
Bridal Shower honoring Miss Tara Eblen
Sunday, April 18th 3:00 pm in the Keene Room



Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital





Taylor Ford; CP Missionaries; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Ileana Grace Hayes; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Margaret Lindsay; Mary Cregger; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Elena Zimmerman; Gladys Stone; Mildred Acuff; A. R. Wood; Maxine McGuire; Fred Johnson; Millie Jones; Marlene Ritchey; Marjorie Thompson; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bud & Betty Hickman; Irene Marshall; Pam Wisner; Caleb Michael Bundon; Gene Murr (co-worker of Nick Deal); Judy Lawson (Lisa Deal's aunt); Bill Keene; Jackie Turbbeyville (Jim Curtis's niece); the Banvelos family (friends of the Deal's); Jimmy Thompson (Sheila Emory's brother); Jackie (Patty Fitzgerald's sister); Jack Gaston; Christina Foote; Austin Johnson; Onnie Bailes and Carl Overstreet (friends of Cliff Parrott); Jeanne Goodrich (cousin of Steve and Wendy Goodrich); Evelyn Crowell; Lucas Lacascio (former student of Wendy Goodrich) battling a recurrence of a brain tumor; Carla Sweeney (Leah Witmer's mother); Ruth McNabb (Tammy Eblen's mother); JoAnn Ford; Howard Eblen; J. David Hester; Priscilla McCoy (Kim Halbert's mother); the family of Lea Acuff.

Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes, additions or deletions to our Prayer Concerns list.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Additional volunteers are needed to help with Children's Church! You can volunteer for one or two Sundays or a month. This is a vital children's ministry of our church. Resources are provided. If you can help please contact director Amanda Roberts (925-4333).

Children's church volunteer schedule is:

April 18—Amanda ages 4-6; Scott ages 7-10

April 25—Amanda ages 7-10; Scott ages 4-6

May 2—Amanda and Scott

May 9—Amanda and Scott

May 16—Lindsay and John

May 23—Allison and Billy

May 30—Allison and Billy

Mr. Daniel and Tammy Eblen Cordially invite you to celebrate the Marriage of their daughter

Tara Nicole Eblen

&

Joshua Edward Shelley

Saturday, May fifthteen
Two thousand ten
Six o'clock in the evening
First Cumberland Presbyterian Church
...reception to follow...

Please RSVP for reception. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office.