

The Cumberland

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A Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

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A CHALLENGE TO YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS!

"Youth/Young Adult Sunday" is coming October 22, 10:45 a.m. and while the service is for everyone, the emphasis will be on reaching out to friends who are in junior and senior high school, college, and young adults (up to age 30). The young adults of First Church will take various parts in leading our worship.

Following the service the entire church family is welcome to enjoy our monthly potluck luncheon in the gym. Please bring plenty of those wonderful meat, salad, vegetable, and dessert dishes!

During the potluck luncheon we will take the opportunity to express appreciation to Eric and Katie Gruen who are leaving us to join South American Mission. This will be their final Sunday with us.

Youth and young adults: Will you take up the challenge of praying for and inviting all your school-mates and co-workers to a service especially designed with you in mind?

How about the rest of us? Do we know youth and young adult families and friends we can invite? Let's get ready for an exciting day!

COME PRAY WITH US!

You are invited to join us for a church-wide prayer meeting this Sunday, October 15, 6:30 p.m. in the home of Faye O'Neal, 7702 Mills Way. Please set aside this evening to pray with us for the future of First Church. The Bible says "the earnest prayer of a believer has great power and wonderful results!" (James 5:16, LB)

REV. GEORGE ESTES IS COMING

The Session has asked Rev. George Estes, Director of Evangelism and Church Growth for the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, to come and do an evaluation of First Church and explore with us options for continued ministry in our community.

Rev. Estes will be with us the weekend of November 19. To prepare for the evaluation all active members and regular attendees will be asked to complete a survey. The elders, pastor, and several others will be invited to participate in brief interviews. A demographic study of our ministry area (3-5 mile radius around the church) will be done. Four to six weeks after the evaluation, Rev. Estes will send us a report with specific suggestions for action. Please be praying for this important step in the process of planning our future ministry.

CRAZY GOLFERS FALL OUTING

Sunday, October 29, 1:30 p.m. all crazy golfers and their friends are invited to join us for a fall golf outing at Whittle Springs Golf Course, 3113 Valley View Drive. The cost to ride and play will be \$25.00 per person. Sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office.

OUT AT THE BARN!

The Friendship Club will visit the Apple Barn restaurant near Sevierville Tuesday, October 31. Everyone 55 and up are welcome to join us in a "car-a-van" to the restaurant. Two mini-vans will be available to transport us. We will leave from the First Church parking lot by 10:00 a.m. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board outside the church office.

SESSION MEETING

The Session will meet Wednesday, October 18, 7:30 p.m. in the Keene Room for our regular monthly meeting. Packets will be available this Sunday, October 15 in the narthex.

Committees are encouraged to get their reports to the church office by this Friday, October 13.

~Pastor Kevin

Pastor Appreciation Month

October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Please express your gratitude to Pastor Kevin during this month by sending him a card or note. On October 15th, we plan to recognize him and express our appreciation by presenting him a monetary gift. Please make donations to Betty Hammill on Oct 8.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS FOR OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Worship</u>
October 15:	Jewell Kerr	James O'Neal
October 22:	Tammy Eblen	Amanda Roberts
October 29:	(open)	(open)
November 5:	James O'Neal	Rachel Searcy
November 12:	Amanda Roberts	Daniel/Stephanie Saults
November 19:	Jewell Kerr	James O'Neal
November 26:	Tammy Eblen	Amanda Roberts

*Please call the church office before your Sunday, if you cannot serve or need to make a change.
Thank You!

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