

The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

September 4, 2013

CONGRATULATIONS TO US!

It was on Sept. 5, 1975 that First Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Knoxville occupied the new facility built for them at 6900 Nubbin Ridge Drive in west Knoxville. They had moved from 825 N. Broadway in Knoxville, a place they had occupied for 90 years!

So **Congratulations to us!** as we celebrate 38 years in this present facility!

GRANDPARENTS' DAY

We regularly celebrate Mother's Day and Father's Day. Well, this Sunday (second Sunday in September) we will celebrate **Grandparents' Day!**

We have many grandparents in our congregation regularly. Join us Sunday as we honor them.

NEW CHRISTIAN EDUCATION YEAR

We have now entered into a new Christian Education year. You met new leaders at the Commissioning service this past Sunday morning.

There are many phases of Christian Education (Sunday School, Vacation Bible School, youth groups, children's groups – to name a few).

Your most prominent observance of our Christian Education program is our Sunday School each Sunday morning (9:30). Now is the time for you and your family to begin one of the many classes available for you (if you are not already a part of one of those classes).

Our teachers/leaders spend time in preparing a lesson for each class. You will be enriched in your own Bible study if you regularly participate in one of those classes. We have classes for all ages!

*Happy Moments, praise God
Difficult Moments, seek God.
Quiet Moments, worship God.
Painful Moments, trust God.
Every Moment, Thank God.*

SEPTEMBER 15 ----

is an important date for First Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Knoxville. That is the date that our new pastor – Rev. Michael Wilkinson – will stand before us in that role of "pastor".

We are urging all members to be present that date to welcome Pastor Mike. Bring friends and relatives as well! Let's have a large welcoming crowd!

And, following worship, you are encouraged to bring along a favorite casserole (or pie or cake) to join us in our Fellowship Dinner – honoring the Wilkinsons and welcoming them into our church family.

AMONG OUR PEOPLE

Peggy Bradshaw (mother of Dianne Fielder) has moved to Holston Health & Rehabilitation facility on Boyd's Bridge Pike; she joined us Sunday to hear her grandson (Jere Scott Bradshaw) bring the morning message ... **Marlene Ritchey** in Park West Hospital following a fall at her home last week ... **Mildred Acuff** home battling an infection; daughters **Donna & Debbie** have been here checking on her ... Congratulations to **Kari Summers** as she joined her *UT Pride of the Southland Band* on Saturday in her role as one of the Majorettes! She is following that role that her mother (**Leigh Ann Gammon Summers**) and her sister (**Kristi Summers**) had before her! ... Our Christian sympathy to the family of **Harold B. Stone** who died last week; his former wife **Mildred Stone**, is still a member of our church. Harold was a member 1963-1974 ...

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Happy Birthday

September
8-Sydney O'Neal
14-Eugene McCammon

Activities for September 8-14, 2013

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship Service
Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
Thurs., 7:00 p.m. Stewardship & Finance
(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report September 4, 2013

Sunday School.....39
Worship.....82
Offering\$3,681.50
Building Fund.....\$5.00

WEST CIRCLE

Will meet on Tuesday, Sept. 11 in the Keene Room at 11am. Please bring a sandwich - drinks and dessert will be provided. We invite all the ladies of the church to join us for Bible study and fellowship.

Lay Ministry Corner

~Donna Walker

Christianity is not about showing our perfection and our strength. The Bible is not a history of perfect people ~ even the good guys. It is in our realization of our broken nature & weakness that we find our need and love for Jesus and the restoration He offers us. We are most useful to God when we operate in His strength and purpose, not our own. It is not our job to be perfect, but it is our job to point to the One who is and let others know that He loves them too ~ cracks and all.

LOOKING AHEAD -----

- Wed., Sept. 4 – 6:30 – Choir Rehearsal resumes (newcomers welcome!)

- Sun., Sept. 15 – 10:45 – Welcome new pastor, Rev. Michael Wilkinson!

- Sun., Sept. 15 – 12:00 – Fellowship luncheon

- Sun., Sept. 22 – 6:00 – Session Meeting



Prayer Concerns
In the Hospital

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

CP Missionaries; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Mary Cregger; 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; Taylor Ford; 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; Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Suzan Smith, (Jewell Kerr's daughter); Richard Himes (Jin Gaston's brother-in-law); Debbie Holloway; Mildred Gragg (friend of Mary Cregger); Kim and her family, (friends of Amanda and Scott Roberts); Rebecca Rech, mother of Justin Rech; Jack Gaston; J. David Hester; Marie Jobson, (friend of the Witmer's); Grace Flory (Lois 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

The Cost of Anger by Rick Warren

"People with understanding control their anger; a hot temper shows great foolishness." (Proverbs 14:29 NLT)

Before you allow yourself to get mad back, calculate what you're going to lose. Calculate the cost of anger. You're less likely to get angry when somebody's pushing your buttons if you realize there's always a price for returning anger for anger.

The Bible is very specific about uncontrolled anger:
Proverbs 29:22: "An angry person causes trouble; a person with a quick temper sins a lot" (NCV).
Proverbs 15:18: "Hot tempers cause arguments" (GN).
Proverbs 14:29: "A hot temper shows great foolishness" (NLT).
When you get angry, there is a cost: You're going to get in trouble. You're going to sin. You're going to cause arguments. You're going to make mistakes.
When you lose your temper, you always lose, whether it's respect, the love of your family, your health, or even your job.
Maybe you use anger to motivate people to do the right thing. Don't do it! In the short run, you may get the short-term payoff. But in the long run, anger always produces more anger, more apathy, and more alienation.
How many kids have become alienated from their dads or their moms because of out-of-control anger? How many people have been alienated from a boyfriend, a girlfriend, a husband, a wife, or a friend because somebody lost his or her cool? Anger destroys relationships faster than anything else.
So when someone starts pushing your buttons, before you retaliate, just ask yourself, "Do I really want to do this? Do I want to make mistakes? Do I want to sin more? Do I want to cause arguments? Do I want to act foolish?"
There is always a price for anger. Before you retaliate, calculate the cost.