

# The Cumberland

## Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Inc.

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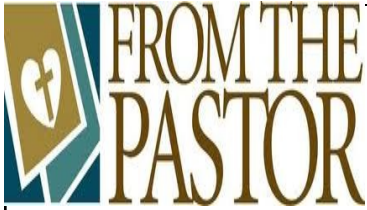
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Our Weekly Newsletter

*"Loving God, Loving People"*

September 3, 2014



I hope that everyone had a wonderful Labor Day. Last Sunday I preached a sermon about how our dreams can come true and I challenged those present to dream great dreams for the future of First Cumberland. While at Dollywood on Labor Day, I saw a sign that read: "Start with what is necessary. Then do the possible. Next will come the impossible." As I pondered the sign, I thought about it applied to our having great dreams for First Cumberland. **Start with the necessary**—make it a point to be here when we gather for worship, study, and fellowship. Without your faithful presence it will be tough to see our dreams come true. **Then do the possible**—invite people we know who are not actively involved with a church to join us at First Cumberland. We all know someone—family, friend, neighbor, coworker, classmate—who is not going to church anywhere. Remember they need us as much as we need them. **Next the impossible will come**—God will bless us beyond our wildest dreams. I do not know exactly how that will play out, but I can hardly wait to see it come true. For those not here last Sunday, won't you join us in dreaming great dreams?

Learning the unforced rhythms of grace,

*Pastor Mike*

### Sympathy

We extend our belated Christian sympathy to the **Family of Virginia Brown** (Kim Halbert's grandmother) who passed away Tuesday, August 19<sup>th</sup>.

### Congratulations

Congratulations to **Amy and Jon Huether** on the birth of their daughter, **Sadie Elizabeth Huether**. **Sadie** was born Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations also to proud grandparents; **Dianne and Paul Pipkin**.

### Rally Day

This coming Sunday morning, September 7<sup>th</sup>, is our **Sunday School Rally Day**. All our Sunday School classes (adult, youth, and children) will gather in the gym, at 9:30 a.m., to enjoy a time a fellowship; doughnuts, coffee, and orange juice will be provided. **Rally Day** is a great opportunity for those not currently active in a Sunday School class to become involved. Following the time of fellowship, all students will go to their respective classroom for an abbreviated lesson, the during the worship service, our Sunday School teachers will officially be installed for the new year.

### Cookout and Ice Cream Social

This coming Sunday evening, September 7<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m., we will have a **Cookout and Ice Cream Social** in our courtyard. **Scott Roberts** will be grilling hamburgers and hot dogs. The church will provide the meat, buns, chips, and drinks. You are asked to bring a gallon of ice cream or a dessert. This is an excellent opportunity for you to show off you homemade ice cream making or baking abilities, but store-bought works as well. During this event, some of our youth and our Pastor will be participating in the **Ice Bucket Challenge** to help raise awareness for ALS. Who knows, you might even get to witness the renewal of a couple's wedding vows as part of their celebration of fifty years of marriage. Please put this date on your calendar and plan to attend and invite someone outside the church to attend with you.

### FISH Pantry

During the month of September, we will be collecting **non-food items** for the **West Knox FISH Pantry**. These items include bath and facial soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, diapers (all sizes), etc. Collection boxes will be in the Narthex. The last day of the collection will be Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your assistance with this project.

### Fall Festival

Though it is just in the initial planning stage, we will have a **Fall Festival** this year. It will most probably be held on Sunday afternoon and evening, October 26<sup>th</sup>. Look for more details in upcoming editions of *The Cumberlander*. Also, see **Amanda Roberts** if you want to help plan this event.

*For the glory of God, Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church exists to **worship** Christ, **evangelize** the lost, **love** one another and our neighbor, and **learn** more about our God.*

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Happy Birthday

August  
8-Sydney O'Neal

Activities for September 7–13, 2014

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Worship Service  
12:15 p.m. Building & Grounds  
Tues., 11:00 a.m. West Circle  
(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report August 31, 2014

Sunday School.....36  
Worship.....58  
Offering .....\$1,615.00  
Memorials.....\$200.00  
Building Reimbursement.....\$60.00

CPWM Meeting

The ladies of the church will be meeting on Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m., at Betty Hammill’s house (505 Bardon Road). They will have a meal; and then former member, Tracy Woods, will be sharing with us a very interesting story of a healing she has experienced. Ladies, please mark thus date and make your plans to be there.

Friendship Club

Members of the **Friendship Club** will gather at **Naples Italian Restaurant**, in Bearden, at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, for a Dutch-treat lunch. Every one reading this announcement is invited to join the **Friendship Club** by merely showing up to eat.

Gene McCammon

In honor of Gene McCammon’s 52 years of service to the Lord though First Cumberland as organist, choir director, and now pianist, we what to share a few of his many other accomplishments: he began studying the piano in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade—he graduated from George Peabody College for Teachers, as a piano major, with a Master of Arts degree and completed the course work for a Ph.D.—he taught vocal music, sociology, psychology, and history in the Knoxville City School System—he has written and published more than 400 songs—he served as assistant editor for the Gospel Song Publishing Company—he served as the director of the choir for the Old Timers Convention—he served as editor-in-chief of The Gospel Song Publishing Association of America—he teaches in the Cumberland Valley Music School (since 1894)—he serves as editor of The Cumberland Valley Song Book (since 1987)—he serves as the director of The Cumberland Valley Music School (since 1997). In addition to all his musical accomplishments, Gene taught Sunday School here at First Cumberland for years.

Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital  
B.F. Daniel, (Patricia Neal Rehab Center)

Health and Prayer Concerns

the persecuted Christians around the world; Cumberland Presbyterian Missionaries around the world; Gordon Blaylock; Edna Fleenor; Howard Eblen; Mary Cregger; Gladys Stone; Maxine McGuire; Ada Ladd; Charlotte Bird; Carol Seeman; Jack Walker; Mildred Acuff; Bud and Betty Hickman (friends of Mary Ann Haney); Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder’s mother); Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis’s mother); Marlene Ritchey; Brian Migas; Mary McJunkins (Mary Wegman’s mother); Debbie and David Triese (Margaret Migas’s sister and husband); Carl Ware (Sam’s father); Allison, Hailey, Connor and Hannah Davis; Janie Beeler (Greg Beeler’s wife); Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Debbie Holloway; Kim and her family (friends of Amanda and Scott Roberts); Rebecca Rech (mother of Justin Rech); Jack and Jin Gaston; Cliff Parrott; Tom Williams (friend of Cliff Parrott); Dick Booher; Tom Parrott (Cliff Parrott’s son); Larry Taylor (Joy’s husband); Richard Hines (Jin Gaston’s brother-in-law); the Whaley family (friends of Kathy Byers); Christina and Baby Hinkle (Pastor Mike and Joanna’s daughter is expecting a baby on January 18, 2015); Brandon Hargutt; Bob Metts; Joni Warner (friend of Jewell Kerr’s sons); B.F. and Mary Helen Daniel; Alice Montgomery; Ella Lee (Mary Cregger’s sister); Sherri Kramer (friend of Joy Taylor; Kim Boyatt (friend of Susan Edwards); Donna Wingard (Mildred Acuff’s daughter); Becky Iegel (Amanda Roberts’ coworker); Terry Conser’s parents (Amanda Roberts’ coworker); Jim and Cookie Dyer; Lois Witmer; Amy and Sadie Elizabeth Huether

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

Among Our People

B.F. Daniel is in Patricia Neal Rehabilitation Center . . . Donna Wingard (Mildred Acuff’s daughter) remains under hospice care; Mildred is in the Atlanta-area with her . . . Carl Kissiah (Joanna Wilkinson’s father) is out of the hospital and continues to improve . . . Lois Witmer continues to endure severe hip pain; she is schedule for an MRI this week . . . Dick Booher continues to recover at his son’s home in Morristown . . . Rue Dougherty’s sister fell and is in the hospital . . . Amy Huether and baby Sadie are now home from the hospital . . .

Kroger Community Rewards Program

If you need any assistance registering your Kroger Rewards Card, including hands-on-help, please contact **Kim Halbert** at 660-5821 or khalbert@utk.edu.