

# The Cumberland

## Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Inc.

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Our Weekly Newsletter

*"Loving God, Loving People"*

September 24, 2008

### **BRING ALL THE KIDS TO PIONEER CLUBS!!!**

It's hard to imagine a more fun bunch than the group of 23 children and 11 adults who gathered for our first Pioneer Clubs meeting last Sunday. We will continue for nine more weeks and club membership will remain open for all ages, 4 years-grade seven! The registration cost is a mere \$15.00 per child or \$50.00 maximum per family.

Special thanks to all those who made it happen! The Scooters (4-5 year-olds) are led by Sheri Hill; the Voyagers (Grades 1-2) by James O'Neal; the Pathfinders (Grades 3-4) by Maxine Curtis; and the Trailblazers by John and Lindsay Duncan.

Nancy Wood and JoAnn Ford did a great job preparing supper last Sunday. We are still looking for families and individuals to help us with a meal on the following Sunday evenings, 6:00 p.m.: October 26, November 2 and 16.

We are grateful for all who have volunteered so far and with continued prayer the Pioneer Clubs can grow into an outstanding ministry for children and youth. If you would like to help please call me anytime (588-8581; 357-1946; 228-0710).

**SPECIAL NOTE FOR CLUB MEMBERS:** Anyone who brings a guest in the next two weeks will receive a free ticket to the circus! We have received an anonymous donation of 30 tickets and we'd love to give them to everyone present!

### **NEW MEMBER SUNDAYS**

First Church will host some new member classes for adults, youth, and children during the Sunday School hour (9:30 a.m.) on the following schedule in September and October.

**Adults** This Sunday, September 28 in the Keene Room

**Youth** (grades 6-12) Sundays, October 5 and 12 in the Conference Room

**Children** (grade 5 and below) Sundays, October 19 and 26 in the Conference Room

The classes are for information only. A commitment to membership is not required. Parents, please talk with your children and youth to determine if they are thinking about a commitment to Christ and His Church. Please call the pastor if you are interested in the classes for yourself or your children (588-8581; 357-1946; 228-0710).

### **NEEDED: HOST HOMES AND LEADERS FOR '40 DAYS OF COMMUNITY!'**

We are looking for small group leaders and host homes for the "40 Days of Community" spiritual growth campaign October 5-November 23. The teaching sessions will be on DVD so all you need to do is be a discussion leader and/or provide a television and a place to sit for a total of six weekly meetings. If you feel God wants you to participate in this way please call the church (588-8581) or Steve Goodrich (691-4069).

Currently, two adult Sunday School classes will be doing the small group study at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday mornings. You have an automatic invitation to join them. Host classes and host homes will be listed in the bulletin this Sunday, September 27.

### **WHO ARE YOU INVITING?**

Who are you going to invite to "40 Days of Community" October 5-November 23? Please pray for and develop your own invitation list of guests to bring to church every Sunday, to small group Bible studies during the week, and to get in on some of the big service projects that will be carried out.

### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES!**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 10:00 A.M.**

Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry regional gathering here at First Church with ladies from CP churches all over East Tennessee. Join us for worship, fellowship and a noon luncheon in the gym. All ladies of First Church are welcome and encouraged to lend a hand and enjoy the day!

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1.**

"Unhindered Encounter" Women's Retreat with Jana Spicka at West High School.

More information available on the website [www.janaspicka.com](http://www.janaspicka.com).

### **THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON**

**"What Small Groups Can Do for You—Getting Ready for 40 Days of Community!"**

### **THANK YOU!**

*Dear Church Family:*

*"Thanks to all my church friends for the calls and cards you made on my birthday. It started off rough but looking at your cards and getting the calls made it a much better day! Thank you so much!"*

*Maxine McGuire*

~Pastor Kevin

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# Happy Birthday



September  
30-Ileana Grace Hayes

October  
2-Hailey Davis  
2-Jim Pharaoh



## Activities for September 27–October 2, 2008

|       |            |                         |
|-------|------------|-------------------------|
| Sat., | 9:00 a.m.  | Work Day                |
|       | 10:00 a.m. | Rebeccas Circle—Perkins |
| Sun., | 9:30 a.m.  | Sunday School           |
|       | 10:45 a.m. | Worship Service         |
|       | 4:00 p.m.  | Pioneer Club            |
|       | 4:00 p.m.  | Handbell Practice       |
| Wed., | 6:30 p.m.  | Choir                   |

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

## Stewardship Report for September 21, 2008

|                                 |            |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Sunday School.....              | 42         |
| Worship.....                    | 73         |
| Offering.....                   | \$2,869.75 |
| Capital Improvements Fund ..... | 225.00*    |
| Memorial/Building Fund.....     | 00.00      |
| Expenses paid last week .....   | \$3,711.51 |

### Year-to-Date (as of September 21, 2008)

|                                    |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Offerings received to date:.....   | \$111,789.12 |
| Expenses paid to date:.....        | \$179,078.79 |
| Building / Cap. Improve. Fund..... | \$80,485.55* |

\*Includes giving toward pledges



## Ladybug’s of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church:

Twice the smiles and  
twice the curls.

Justin and Julie and

expecting TWIN baby girls!

Please join us for a “Ladybug” baby shower honoring Julie Rech, Sunday, October 12, at 2:00 p.m. in the Keen Room of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Julie is registered at Babies-R-Us and Target.

Please RSVP by October 5<sup>th</sup> to: Lindsay Duncan at 300-2226 or [Lduncan@tanasi.org](mailto:Lduncan@tanasi.org)



### You got news. I want to hear it. I want to print it.

All Newsletter articles, events, or announcements should be sent by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesdays to Tom Witmer at [firstcpc@earthlink.net](mailto:firstcpc@earthlink.net) or [thomaswitmer@Comcast.net](mailto:thomaswitmer@Comcast.net) or call the church office at 588-8581.



## Prayer Concerns

### In the Military

Bill Hickman in Iraq, Lee Barron’s cousin

### In the Hospital

Taylor Adkins (friend of MariKate Walker), St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital

### On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Taylor Ford; Pastors Euripides Morera, Rodrigo Torress and Gilberto Arteaga, and their congregations in Buenaventura, Columbia; Brack Emory; Mary Jane Blaylock; Ileana Grace Hayes; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Bill & Flora Mae Keene; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Priscilla McCoy; Margaret Lindsay; Mary Cregger; Irene Brooks; William Barron; Joyce Creasman; Jonathan Migas; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Lois Witmer; Elena Zimmerman; Gladys Stone; Lea Acuff; Mildred Acuff; A. R. Wood (Kevin Wood’s brother); Lisa Deal; JoAnn Ford; Maxine McGuire; Pat Booher; Kevin Wood; Molly Deuschle; Fred Johnson; Millie Jones (the Acuff’s great-granddaughter); Steve Goodrich; Marlene Ritchey; Irene Brooks (Nancy Wood’s mother, moved to new nursing home facility); Doug Bailey (friend of Witmer’s); Lou Jackson (heart by-pass surgery); Marjorie Thompson (Shelia Emory’s sister-in-law); Edna Ivey (knee replacement); Ada Ladd; Amy Pittman (friend of Becky Rader); Nancy Anthony; Gordon Blaylock; Ernest Cooper (friend of Maxine McGuire).

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

## Directory Updates

Steve McCurry

E-mail: [steve@wow3dgroup.com](mailto:steve@wow3dgroup.com)

### Cumberland Presbyterian Bluegrass Festival

Union Cumberland Presbyterian Church will host an all-day Bluegrass Festival on the church grounds Saturday, September 27 from 10 am-6 pm. Bethel College Bluegrass band will be among the performers. Admission is free. Bring your lawn chairs. Arts, crafts, food and kids games are available!

Are you ready to spiff up the church? The Building & Grounds Committee has looked the building and the grounds over from top to bottom to prepare a list of things that need to be fixed, repaired, cleaned, tidied up, moved, thrown away, painted, chalked, glazed, refinished, planted, cut down, and more. Please help if you can on **September 27. This Saturday.** Yes UT is out of town so no football excuses. The list of work items will be on the bulletin board by the office. Feel free to come any time. Call any member of the B&G Committee or the church office.



## Congratulations



Hailey Davis came back from her first gymnastics meet with four medals including a silver medal in the vault. Her next meet is Maryville, Oct 11-12. Good Luck Hailey!!