

The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

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EXCITING POSSIBILITIES IN YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY!

Last Sunday's "Young Adult Breakfast" not only led to some great fellowship but also some great ideas about the future of young adult ministry at First Church! The group will meet again Sunday, August 9, 9:30 a.m. to begin planning a new Sunday School class and other activities. All young adults are welcome to join them! Please continue to pray for all our young adults, their families, and friends as the church encourages them to become more involved in leadership and ministry! Special thanks to Maxine Curtis and her helpers, Dianne Pipkin, Steve Goodrich and Bill Halbert who served our honored guests!

PIONEER CLUBS IS COMING!!!

Pioneer Clubs will begin this fall with a "Back to School Get Acquainted Party," Sunday, September 13 from 3:00-6:00 p.m. We're planning quite a blast for all kids in our church and community!

The ten-week fall session of Pioneer Clubs will begin Sunday, September 20 and continue through Sunday, November 22. Pioneer Clubs is for children, pre-school through middle school.

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY IS COMING!

All of us know hundreds of people who used to go to church, but don't go now. First Church is going to invite them all back to church on "National Back to Church Sunday," September 13.

Everyone in our church has family, friends, neighbors, co-workers, and acquaintances who need an invitation to come back to church.

Perhaps one of the most underestimated reasons people return to the church is that someone simply invited them back! Overall, 41% of the formerly churched said they would return to the church if a friend or acquaintance invited them.

Well, we're going to invite them—all of us at First Church. And we're going to show you how easy it is. The Session and I are going to lead a campaign between now and September 13 and we need your prayers and your commitment to be an inviter!!!

Look for details--- soon it will be "National Back to Church Sunday" at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church!!!

KARM VBS PLANNING MEETING

Everyone who has volunteered to help in the KARM Vacation Bible School is encouraged to attend a brief, one-time planning meeting Sunday, August 2, 12:00 noon following the morning worship service. A VBS schedule and all leader resources will be available. Please call the pastor if you cannot attend so we can get your materials to you.

(228-0710). Special thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help and given donations for activities and school clothes!

Our VBS will be held Monday-Wednesday, August 10-12, 8:30-11:00 a.m. each day. Thursday will be "Fun Day" with a trip to a new theme park, Wilderness at the Smokies Waterpark Resort in Sevierville.

Please continue to pray for those who will lead this ministry with homeless families of Knoxville! Call Steve Goodrich (257-1409) or Steve and Kim McCurry (690-1601) if you would like to volunteer.

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club is looking for new members 55 and older who enjoy fellowship and good food once a month at different restaurants in Knoxville and the East Tennessee area. Our next get-together is Wednesday, July 29, 11:00 a.m. at Harrison Restaurant in Clinton, TN. Carpoolers are welcome to meet at the church by 9:30 a.m.! Please call us (588-8581) or sign up on the bulletin board outside the church offices.


"CRAZY GOLFERS" AT THE WEE COURSE THIS SUNDAY

The "Crazy Golfers" are coming to the "Wee Course at Williams Creek" this Sunday, July 26, 2:00 p.m. All golfers are welcome, men or women, beginners or pros. The cost will be \$23.00 per person including cart. Tee times will be 2:00 and 2:10 p.m. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office.



~Pastor Kevin





Happy Birthday

July

28-Tom Walker
30-Margaret Migas

August

1-Arron Boggs
1-Benjamin Connor Davis

Activities for July 26–August 1, 2009		
Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
Tues.,	10:00 a.m.	Bible Olympics
Wed.,	10:00 a.m.	Kids In Christ
	11:00 a.m.	Friendship Club
	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
(See web site for complete calendar listings)		

Stewardship Report for July 19, 2009	
Sunday School.....	44
Worship.....	76
Offering.....	\$1,598.86
Capital Improvements Fund	\$50.00
Memorial/Building Fund.....	\$0.00
Expenses paid last week	\$6,706.71
Year-to-Date (as of July 19, 2009)	
Offerings received to date:.....	\$79,236.14
Facility usage fees received to date.....	\$12,272.50
Expenses paid to date:.....	\$152,910.60

CHILDREN’S CHURCH NEEDS YOU


We need volunteers for the remainder August. If you feel called to help with Children’s Church, please call the office or Dianne Pipkin or Amanda Roberts. This is an important program and needs your involvement.

Volunteers for Children’s Church are:

July 26–	Billie Wilson
Aug 2–	Billie Wilson
Aug 9–	<i>Is It You?</i>
Aug 16–	<i>Is It You?</i>
Aug 23–	<i>Is it You?</i>
Aug 30–	<i>Is It You?</i>

Youth Group Homecoming

The church will be hosting an alumni picnic for all past Youth Group members and their sponsors on August 8, 2009, at 1:00pm, at the church. We will be gathering in the picnic area by the playground equipment for good food, good conversation, and a chance to reminisce about old times. We will need volunteers to help provide side dishes and desserts for the meal. If you would be able to provide a dish, help plan or just help, please let Tom Witmer (588-8581 or 742-9377) or Steve Goodrich (257-1409) know. We look forward to catching up with old friends!



Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

Taylor Adkins (friend of MariKate Walker),
St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital
Ian Miller (nephew of Lisa Deal’s coworker), St. Jude’s
Children’s Hospital, brain cancer

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Taylor Ford; CP Missionaries; Brack Emory; Mary Jane & Gordon Blaylock; Ileana Grace Hayes; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Priscilla McCoy; Margaret Lindsay; Mary Cregger; William Barron; Jonathan Migas; Bonnie Holbert; Otis Clinton Shelby; Lois Witmer; Elena Zimmerman; Gladys Stone; Lea & Mildred Acuff; A. R. Wood; JoAnn Ford; Maxine McGuire; Fred Johnson; Millie Jones; Marlene Ritchey; Doug Bailey; Marjorie Thompson; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bridget, daughter of John Lindley; Rex Holt; Tyler, Becca and Sky-lar Meece; Bud & Betty Hickman; Brenda Ball; Cecil Presnell; Irene Marshall; Stephen Park (health and family; knee surgery August 3); Pam Wisner; Sheena Richardson Beal; Bob Moore (father of co-worker of Allison Davis); Camille Graves (daughter of a friend of Wendy Goodrich; Caleb Michael Bundon; Gene Murr (co-worker of Nick Deal); Janie Beeler (friend of Kevin and Nancy Wood); Judy Lawson, (Lisa Deal’s aunt); Bill Keene; Virginia Chesney; Jackie Turbbeyville (Jim Curtis’s niece); the family of Carl McCraw (Valerie Wann’s father); Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder’s mother); Eleanor Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder’s sister-in-law); Steve Henderson (co-worker and friend of Mindy Goddard Landry, kidney cancer and brain bleeding); Dr. Gary Ball (Congdon’s pastor in FL, benign brain tumor, surgery July 22).

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

Building & Grounds Needs

Yes this is the third week I have run this article, because we have not heard but from one person. Do you not want us to do these items? Let us hear from you this week.

The Building & Grounds committee is requesting your help in either volunteer time or monetarily. We would like to place mulch around the shrubbery all around the church and especially in the courtyard. We will need mulch and a way to move the mulch and people to spread it.

As you know, we are adding a security system. We will need monetary support for this system which will protect the church and those who use the facility. We have several trees that need to be taken down and the wood removed. We will need people with chain saws and trucks and people to help.

We are contemplating carpet needs for Sunday School classrooms. We will need monetary support if a group wants to have a room(s) re-carpeted. Contact Tom Witmer for information.