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A Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

July 25, 2007

GIANT CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE THIS SATURDAY!

Bring your family, friends, and neighbors to our giant Rummage Sale this Saturday, July 28, 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the church gym. We will have a little bit of everything—clothes, furniture, books, knick-knacks, church memorabilia, and much more!

You can add your rummage to the sale if you bring it to the church by Friday, 5:00 p.m. If you are willing to help in any way, contact Dianne Pipkin (675-2872).

All donations are greatly appreciated and will be used to help construct a handicap restroom just down the hall-way from the sanctuary. The construction will begin immediately.

Our appreciation to Jazzercise, Thursday Connection, and Boy Scouts for joining us in this project!

THURSDAY CONNECTION IS COMING!

The beginning of another school year brings some new friends to First Church starting Thursday, August 9. Thursday Connection Home School Co-operative will begin using our facility on a weekly basis with an expected attendance of 350. That means every available space will be used every Thursday from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Thursday Connection is an answer to prayer! God has sent some wonderful people our way, some of whom do not have a church family.

Please pray for this opportunity and, as you always have, do everything you can to make TC feel welcome and part of the First Church family. Call the church office if you have any questions or comments. Tom Witmer is our contact person. Mary Wegman is director of Thursday Connection.

Welcome friends!

VBS FOR HOMELESS NEXT WEEK!

Thank you for your wonderful response to our VBS for homeless kids! The list of contributions, both large and small, grows almost daily!

The VBS and trip to Splash Country will be held next week, Monday-Thursday, July 30-August 2 with 15-20 children expected to attend. Those who will go to KARM Center downtown to help decorate are encouraged to meet there this Sunday, July 29, 2:00 p.m. All other VBS staff will meet there Monday, 8:30 a.m. for prayer and preparation time. If you have any questions, please call Miriam Seylar (693-8237).

What else can you do to help us get ready? (1) please continue praying for the children and their families and the VBS staff. (2) If you want to make a money gift for personal items for the children, please contact Steve and Kim McCurry (690-1601). (3) If you have good used/new toys, books, clothes (ages 5-12, any size), shoes (1-13) please bring them with you this Sunday July 29 and leave them in the boxes provided in the gym kitchen or narthex.

Our mission is to share the love of Jesus Christ. It's all about loving Him and loving people!

BACK DOOR OPEN GOLF OUTING JULY 29

The fabulous "Back Door Open Golf Tournament" is planned for Ruggles Ferry Golf Course this Sunday, July 29, 2:00 p.m. Get out those clubs and join us. If you have friends, please bring them. We are trying for 2-3 foursomes. Both men and women are welcome to join us! The prizes are outrageous—cars, tickets to big events, \$1,000 for a hole-in-one, etc. You get the idea! The cost for the golf tournament with cart will be \$36.00.

YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY AUGUST 10

The young adults of First Church will lead us in worship Sunday, August 12, 10:45 a.m. Special guest speaker will be Roy Nicaud, longtime friend of Lindsay Duncan. Roy has visited our church on several occasions.

All young adults are encouraged to participate in the service by volunteering to make announcements, lead prayers, take the offering, provide special music, etc.

Please take this opportunity to bring friends who need the Lord and a loving church family.

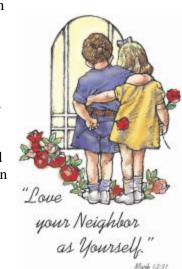
VISIONS AND DREAMS

"Where there is no vision, the people perish!" (Proverbs 29:18)

Our Lord has given us His vision for the church. How we respond to that vision in our time is up to the Holy Spirit and us. Will we prove to be faithful to God in our generation?

In the next few weeks I will be sending you some letters detailing what I believe is the vision God wants us to implement at First Church. I ask you to read them carefully and see if you agree with the vision. If you agree I will then ask you to join the elders and me in making a promise before God that we will all offer our best to see that the vision becomes reality.

"Now is the appointed time. Now is the day of salvation!" (2 Corinthians 6:2)



~Pastor Kevin



And bring a friend!

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Activities for July 28-August 4, 2007

Sat., 8:00 a.m. Rummage Sale
Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
(Librarian on duty)
10:45 a.m. Worship Service

Wed., 6:30 p.m. Choir

Stewardship Report for July 22, 2007

 Sunday School
 31

 Worship
 76

 Offering
 \$2,025.25

Year-to-Date (as of July 22 2007)

Offerings received to date: \$85,690.77 Expenses paid to date: \$138,004.44

Sunday School Class Update

<u>ANGELS</u>—The Upstairs SS Class is beginning a study on Angels. We would like to invite those who are not enrolled in a SS class to join us. We meet in the room nearest the Narthex.

Cakes for Lakeshore

Lakeshore Mental Health Institute gives us an opportunity to serve others. August is our month to prepare cakes to be used to celebrate residents' birthdays. The cakes should be wrapped and frozen, but not iced. Icing should be in a separate container, also frozen. Please place cakes and icing in the kitchen freezer with a note designating them for Lakeshore, no later than August 15. We will deliver them to Lakeshore at the end of the month. Thanks!

Ann Bachman, CPWM President

Love & Company

Our Love & Company fund is in need of funds. We use this fund to provide help through Compassion Coalition to provide help to persons with their utility bills and for food and gas money. If you can spare a few dollars, please put in offering Sunday or send to the church and designate it L&C. Thank you for your generosity.



Newsletter

Deadline

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

If you would like to receive The Cumberlander via email in PDF format let Tom know.



Prayer Concerns

In the Military





On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Ted Ford; Marlene Ritchey; Pastors Euripides Morera, Rodrigo Torress and Gilberto Arteaga, and their congregations in Buenaventura, Columbia; Brack Emory; Mary Jane Blaylock; Denominational Center Task Force; Donna Wann; Ileana Grace Hayes; Bill Hammill; Reba Smith; Bill & Flora Mae Keene; Mildred Stone; Tom Raines; Edna Fleenor; Pollye Pharaoh; Maxine McGuire; Mrs. Don Franks; Priscilla McCoy (Kim Halbert's mother); Margaret Lindsay; Mary Cregger; Jennie Lee Middlemas; Irene Brooks (Nancy Wood's mother); JoAnn Ford; Howard Eblen; William Barron (Lee's Father); Nellie Ramold, Edna Fugate, Millie McNeil, Heidi Holton, Fred and Emily Ford, Rose Gauthler, Georgianna Harned, Charolette and Frank Disney, Nancy Bandermolen, Dorothy Parker, John Ramsey and Michael Blazer (friends of Dorothy Porter); Doug Bailey (friend of the Witmer's); Joyce Creasman and Laura Grodian (friends of Wendy Goodrich); Lois Witmer's sister, Brenda Burk and their family; Jonathan Migas (son of Margaret Migas); Jessie Black (Ann Bachman's mother); Barbara Hester; Levi Bailey, nephew of Melissa Luttrell; Dick Booher; Ruth McNabb, Tammy Eblen's mother; Lillian Stephens (friend of Jewell Kerr); Neal Denton, Tammie Eblen's cousin's husband; Bonnie Holbert; Elena Zimmerman.

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

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars. **Saturday July 28th** we will host a church wide rummage sale and held in the gym. So bring your items to the church. Place your items in room 24 prior to Friday. This will be inclusive of Jazzercise, Thursday Connection. All items not sold will be given to a charity for their use on July 30th. All monies received will go toward the costs associated with converting the Men's bathroom in the front hall to an unisex handicap bathroom to accommodate wheelchairs. So please help. Dianne Pipkin is heading up this event. Call her if you have any questions or the church office.

<u>CPWM PICNIC</u>—CPWM invites all ladies of the church to the annual potluck picnic to be held at Betty Hammill's house, 505 Burdon Road (behind West Town Mall). Please bring picnic type food. The picnic will be held at 6 p.m. **August 5, 2007**. A map to Betty's house is available on the CPWM Bulletin Board. We hope all the ladies of the church can join us.

Hello to everyone at FCPC

After 10 months of construction we are in our new house in Greenback. We hope we never go through this process again. We were very "hands on" in the process & hope to soon be unpacked so we can enjoy our new surroundings. We dearly love and miss all of you at FCPC. We hope to get rooted in our new community & serve God & worship near home. Thanks for being such a loving & supportive congregation.

Love In Christ Always,

Lisa, Rod & Brian Godwin

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