

The Cumberland

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

April 1, 2009

THANK YOU!

Nancy and I want to express our gratitude to you for your prayers, presence and support during the celebration of eternal life for her mother Irene Brooks last week in Greeneville, Tennessee. Your gifts of love testify to your faith in the Lord of life!

"BABY SUNDAY" AND "PIONEER CLUB SUNDAY" WAS A BLAST!

Last Sunday we were blessed with the presence of all the Pioneer Club kids and new babies (Hannah Grace Davis, Anna Carson Deal, Kendyl Elizabeth May, Madelyn Cate McCurry, Jennifer Alice Rech, and Josephine Anne Rech) (Cooper Thomas Pritchard and Elijah Alexander Gwilliams were unable to attend). We are thankful to God for our children and pray that as a church family we will continue to love and encourage them in the faith!



THIS SUNDAY IS PALM SUNDAY!

I encourage you to bring all your family and friends to worship this Palm Sunday, April 5, 10:45 a.m. We are calling it simply "The Palms and the Cross!" We will remember with thanksgiving the events of Holy Week which began with a parade and ended in the crucifixion.

Part I "The Palms"

Part II "The Walk to Calvary"

Part III "The Cross"

Join us as we reflect on the passion of the Christ!

SPECIAL NOTE: All children of the church are asked to participate in the "Parade of the Palms" at the beginning of the service this Sunday, April 5. Please come to the chapel by 10:35 p.m. to get ready to go into the sanctuary together. Adult leaders will assist you!

"LIVING LORD'S SUPPER" REHEARSAL

All men of the church who are willing to help stage the "Living Lord's Supper" for Maundy Thursday are encouraged to attend the only rehearsal we will have this Sunday, April 5, 3:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. You must be present to read and record your part. Thank you for your willingness to participate in this worship service of the church!

LENTEN/EASTER SERVICES AND EVENTS

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 7:00 P.M.

Maundy Thursday "Living Lord's Supper Candlelight Communion" in the chapel.

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 12 NOON

"Good Friday" Worship Service at Sacred Heart Cathedral Catholic Church,

711 South Northshore Drive featuring

"The Seven Last Words of Christ on the Cross"

SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 11:30 A.M.

"Eggstravaganza Community Easter Egg Hunt" (toddlers-grade 5)

(including hot dog luncheon for children, sponsored by First Church and "Jazzercise")

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 7:00 A.M.

Community Easter Sunrise Service at Veteran's Cemetery Chapel

(corner of Northshore and Lyon's View)

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 10:45 A.M.

"Celebration of Life" at First Church including Holy Communion

PLEASE BRING EGGS AND CANDY THIS SUNDAY!

We are expecting a large crowd of children, toddlers through grade 5, for our "Eggstravaganza Community Easter Egg Hunt," Saturday, April 11, 11:30 a.m. We need everyone to bring plastic Easter eggs and candy for the eggs this Sunday, April 5. Boxes for donations will be located in the narthex and in the gym kitchen.

Don't forget to invite all the children in your home and neighborhood! A hot dog lunch is included. The Egg Hunt is sponsored by First Church and "Jazzercise."

SESSION MEETING

The Session will meet for its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, April 21, 6:00 p.m. in the Keene Room. All elders on session are encouraged to be present.

"FIREPROOF" THE MOVIE COMING TO FIRST CHURCH

"Feed Your Faith" outreach ministry of Knoxville has given us the privilege of being one of several churches in our community to host a screening of the nationally acclaimed movie "Fireproof" Saturday, April 18, 7:00-9:00 p.m. We are expecting a large crowd in the sanctuary that night and we are planning to provide nursery and child care for all young adult parents and friends who attend.

In addition we will give away three couples' tickets as door prizes to the "Fireproof Marriage Conference" featuring Kirk Cameron and his wife Chelsea Noble coming to Knoxville Saturday, July 18 at Sevier Heights Baptist Church.

Make your plans to join us for the free screening on April 18 and maybe you and your spouse will win free tickets to the marriage conference! Free child care and fun activities will be available so bring the kids along!

~Pastor Kevin

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Happy Birthday



April
5-Eli O'Neal
6-Angie Missimer
10-Joseph Park
11-Karen Ware



Activities for April 5-11, 2009

Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service, Choral
	4:00 p.m.	Handbell Choir practice
Tues.,	11:00 a.m.	West Circle
	7:00 p.m.	Building & Grounds Committee
Wed.,	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report for March 29, 2009

Sunday School.....	38
Worship.....	106
Offering.....	\$1,940.75
Capital Improvements Fund	\$95.00
Memorial/Building Fund.....	\$25.00
Expenses paid last week	\$1,870.23
Year-to-Date (as of March 29, 2009)	
Offerings received to date:.....	\$36,689.67
Facility usage fees received to date.....	\$8,350.00
Expenses paid to date:.....	\$64,648.90
Building / Cap. Improve. Fund.....	\$103,770.55

Did you Know?

Last week's question: Who's son worked as a musician for Walt Disney?
Answer: Jack and Jin Gaston's son Eddie.
Did you Know? Has ended due to lack of participation.

SOUP AND PEANUT BUTTER FOR FISH

FISH needs your help filling the bags with food. From now through April 17 contributions of 10 and 1/2 ounces cans of soup and 18 ounce jars of peanut butter are requested. Collection boxes are located at the entrance to the church. Thanks. Betty Hammill 690-8739

Still in need of canning jars, a car mechanic to install car parts. Call church office.

If you don't let the office know about special happenings in your life, we can not let the church family know. 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.

WEST CIRCLE...

...Will meet on Tuesday, April 7 at 11 o'clock, in the Keene Room. Please bring a sandwich. Drinks and dessert will be provided.

Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

Taylor Adkins (friend of MariKate Walker),
St. Jude's Children's Hospital
Caleb Michael Bundon, UT Hospital NICU
Bill Keene, Norris Nursing Home
Maxine McGuire, Brakebill
Elena Zimmerman, NHC Farragut

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; Pat Booher; Fred Johnson; Millie Jones; Marlene Ritchey; Doug Bailey; Marjorie Thompson; Ada Ladd; Nancy Anthony; Bridget, daughter of John Lindley; Rex Holt; Lisa Teknus; The Cooper Children; Tyler, Becca and Skylar Meece; Bud & Betty Hickman; Brenda Ball; Cecil Presnell; Irene Marshall; Stephen Park (health and family); Pam Wisner; Bill Taylor (Becky Rader's brother-in-law); Dorothy Smith (friend of the Gastons); Sheena Richardson Beal; Jody Holl (sister of a co-worker of Leah Witmer); Bob Moore (father of co-worker of Allison Davis); Camille Graves (daughter of a friend of Wendy Goodrich); the family of Irene Brooks (mother of Nancy Wood).

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

Be The Salt of the Earth for FISH

Thank you for the contribution of \$240 this week. This brings our total to \$2929.25. Most of the money collected has been spent and I will have to order more food this week, so thank you for continuing to give in support this worthy project.
We were able to move 351 cases of food to the FISH Pantry last Thursday in one hour. The terrific moving team consisted of Larry Fielder, Jimmy Curtis, Steve McCurry, Steve Goodrich, Danny and Tammy Eblen, Sherri Shetlerly, Charles Franks and Lindsay Duncan. Thank you team.
Our first bagging session went extremely well also. We filled 240 bags in about an hour and a half. This very efficient team consisted of Wendy and Steve Goodrich, Jimmy Curtis with Dawn and Chrissy, Joe Maher (who also took the cardboard to recycle-thanks Joe) J. David Hester, Steve McCurry, Tom and Jessie Walker, James, Sydney, Emma and Eli O'Neal, Sandy Rzezutko, Lindsay Duncan and Betty Hammill. Our next bagging session will be Saturday April 4th at 9:30 a.m. at the Pantry. May our church be The Salt of the Earth for FISH.
Betty Hammill 690-8739