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Happy Birthday

December

3~Chris Goodrich
4~Jo Ann Ford
8~Andrew Clark

NOTE: Our birthday records are not complete. If you would like to add someone to our list, or confirm that your information is correct, please call the church office.

Activities for Dec. 3-9, 2006

Sun.,	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Morning Worship Service
	4:00 p.m.	Handbell Rehearsal
	5:00 p.m.	Hanging of the Greens Service
Tues.,	11:00 a.m.	West Circle in the Keene Room
Wed.,	6:30 p.m.	Choir

Stewardship Report for November 26, 2006

Sunday School.....	37
Worship.....	64
Offering.....	\$1,367.00

Year-to-Date (as of November 26, 2006)

Offerings received to date:	\$116,588.55
Expenses paid to date:	\$218,826.53

Upcoming CPWM Events

Dec 3-Pecan and Craft Sale. Our Bake and Craft sale is over. We very much appreciate all the support members of the church gave us. We still have pecans for sale and will have them available in the library for \$8.00 per pound. We will continue selling them until all are sold.

Lakeshore Mental Health Institute needs Christmas gifts for its residents. The list of requested items is on the CPWM bulletin board. Please get your donations to the church by **December 7** to ensure on time delivery. No items may be wrapped. There are collections boxes in the church office and library.

The Mitten Tree is in the library. (The Dollar General Stores and Big Lots have much needed socks, mittens, gloves, and hats at terrific prices.) These items are taken to CAM after Christmas and distributed to needy folks in the Appalachian area.

PLANNING A CHRISTMAS EVENT?

If your small group is having a party, please call the church office so we can put it on the church calendar and report it in the Cumberlander. Remember the calendar is how we handle reservations for the various meeting rooms in the building.

Prayer Concerns In the Military

Shane McGhee in Iraq, wife Tamara in California
Ronnie Gann (Peggy O'Neal's brother) in Iraq

In the Hospital

Polly Pharaoh in Ft. Sanders, Room 701
Mary Jane Blaylock in UT Hospital

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns

Ileana Grace Hayes, Bill Hammill, Reba Smith, Bill & Flora Mae Keene, Marlene Ritchey, Mildred Stone, Tom Raines, Edna Fleenor, Pollye Pharaoh, Maxine McGuire, Vera Stewart, Mrs. Don Franks, Priscilla McCoy (Kim Halbert's mother), Margaret Lindsay, Ewell J. Reagin, Mary Cregger, Jennie Lee Middlemas, Lucy Hesler, Heidie Holton, Irene Brooks (Nancy Wood's mother), JoAnn Ford, Alice Montgomery, Howard Eblen, William Barron (Lee's Father), Rose Gauthler, Vickie Webb, Mary Matthew, and Herman Oberlieesen, (friends of Dorothy Porter), Mrs. James F. (Irene) Dunford (friend of Mary Jane Blaylock), Richard and Esther Congdon's daughter, Karen, (spinal surgery).

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

ATTENTION READERS

If you have any Christian fiction books that you would be willing to donate to our church library, would you please bring them to the church office or to the library? (They should be published around 2000 or later.) Thanks to those who have already brought books. They will be available for checkout soon.
Your library staff.

WEST CIRCLE will meet at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday December 5, 2006 in the Keene Room. We will have a pot luck lunch and hope all can join us.

Need Computer Help?

Do you or anyone you know need help with a computer, software or even a network, personal or business? If you do, call Tom Witmer at 742-9377. His rate is \$50 per hour and 20% of the total amount will be given to the Church.



Newsletter Articles

All Newsletter articles, events, or announcements should be sent by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesdays to Dianne at firstcpc@earthlink.net or call the church office 588-8581.

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A Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

November 29, 2006

ADVENT EVENTS

December 3, 10:45 A.M. First Sunday in Advent with special guest Congressman John Duncan, Jr.
December 3, 10:45 A.M. Collection of "Toys for Tots" at the church. Please bring new, unwrapped toys and place them in the boxes in the narthex.
December 3, 5:00 P.M. Annual "Hanging of the Greens" in the sanctuary.
December 10, 10:45 A.M. "Lessons and Carols" including a nativity pageant by the youth and children of the church.
December 12, 10:00 A.M. Friendship Club outing to the Apple Barn. Sign up on the bulletin board outside the church office.
December 17, 10:45 A.M. "A Child is Born" choral presentation followed by a church-wide Christmas potluck in the gymnasium. Please bring a meat, salad, vegetable, or dessert to share.
December 24, 10:45 A.M. Christmas-eve morning worship in the sanctuary with the pastor preaching.
December 24, 5:00 P.M. Christmas-eve Candlelight Communion in the sanctuary.

NOMINATION PROCESS UNDERWAY

Each year a Nominating Committee from the Session meets to consider candidates for the office of elder to present to the congregation for election. The Committee has met and the process has begun. At the end of December Steve Goodrich, Bill Halbert, and Lois Witmer will rotate off the Session. As soon as three candidates have agreed to be nominated a congregational meeting will be announced. On election day other candidates may be nominated from the floor provided they have been contacted and agreed to serve if elected. Once the new elders have been elected they will be ordained and installed. Please be in prayer for the nomination and election of elders for the class of 2007.

THIS SUNDAY IS GOING TO BE SPECIAL!

This Sunday, December 3, the first Sunday of Advent, is going to be a special day in the life of First Church! Congressman John Duncan, a great friend, will be our guest speaker at 10:45 a.m. John is a committed Christian and we look forward to hearing the message God will give him. Everyone is asked to bring a new toy for needy children in Knoxville through the "Toys for Tots" program under direction of the United States Marine Corp. We are also inviting the community to bring toys and worship with us. Sunday evening at 5:00 p.m. the church family will gather for "The Hanging of the Greens" in the sanctuary. What a great way to begin the season of Christmas! We're looking forward to meeting all your family, friends, and neighbors as we prepare for the birthday of the King!!!

GIFT TO THE KING OFFERING

The annual "Gift to the King" offering this year will focus on two great ministries of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. 50% will go to the Children's Home in Denton, Texas and 50% to help build a new building for the Cartago CP Church in Colombia, South America. The Cartago Church was severely damaged by recent earthquakes and must be rebuilt. The "Gift to the King" offering will be received on December 10 and 17. Please use the offering envelopes provided in the bulletin.

SESSION MEETING IN DECEMBER

The Session will meet Wednesday, December 20, 7:30 p.m. for our regular monthly meeting.

Pastor Kevin

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS DECEMBER

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>	<u>Worship</u>
December 3:	James O'Neal	Rachel Searcy
December 10:	Amanda Roberts	Daniel/Stephanie Sauls
December 17:	Jewell Kerr	James O'Neal
December 24:	Tammy Eblen	Amanda Roberts
December 31:	(open)	(open)

*Please call the church office before your Sunday, if you cannot serve or need to make a change.
Thank You!