

# The Cumberland

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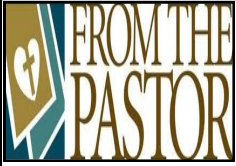
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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

July 8, 2015



This coming Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, we will be finishing up the sermon series, "***How to Enjoy the Rest of Our Lives***", based on the Apostle Paul's Letter to the **Philippians**. I pray that you have found this series helpful. The concluding sermon will be, "***God's Promise to Meet our Needs***", based on **Philippians 4:12-20**. I know that we are in the midst of the Summer vacation season and there are a "million" things that tempt us from gathering in God's House to worship Him on any given Sunday; nonetheless, I want to encourage you to make every effort to be here this coming Sunday. I can hardly wait to see you here!

Learning the unforced rhythms of grace,

*Pastor Mike*

### Garage Sale

- ⇒ Our annual **Garage Sale** is a two weekend event this year—Friday and Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>, and Friday and Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>. To insure that someone is here to receive your donations, please call the Church Office and schedule a time to drop off your donations.
- ⇒ Donations to our **Garage Sale** are **tax deductible**; receipts are available in the Church Office.
- ⇒ **Volunteers are needed** to help organize the **Garage Sale**; there is only one more **Work Day** left (Tuesday, July 14<sup>th</sup>) to organize the **Garage Sale**. Work will begin at 9:00 a.m., but you can come anytime that fits your schedule. Contact **Maxine Curtis** if you can help on this date or at another time that fits your schedule.
- ⇒ The proceeds from the **Garage Sale** will help fund the redecorating/updating of the Keene Room. To this end, most of the existing furnishings in the Keene Room have been priced to sell. The renovation of the Keene Room began last week.

### Youth BBQ Fundraiser

In conjunction with the **Garage Sale**, our **Youth Group** will be holding a **BBQ Fundraiser**. **Scott Roberts** will be smoking Boston butts. Pulled pork barbeque can be preordered for \$12.00 per pound, including an eight-pack of buns. Preordering will allow **Scott** to know how much meat to cook, so please let either **Scott** or **Pastor Mike** know how many pounds you want. Extra BBQ beyond that which is preordered will be available on a first-come-first-served basis to those shopping at the **Garage Sale**; individual BBQ sandwiches will also be available the days of the sale for \$3.00.

### Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry

- ⇒ The next meeting of our **Ladies' Bible Study** will be this coming Saturday morning, July 11<sup>th</sup>, from 10:00 -11:00 a.m., in the Keene Room. Please read Chapter 5 (Fasting) in "***Soul Feast***". The final four dates are as follows: Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>; Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup>; Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup>; and Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. All ladies of the church are welcome and invited to attend.
- ⇒ **Unclaimed dishes** in the Kitchen off the Gym will be placed in the **Garage Sale** if not claimed by then.

### Sunday School Teacher Needed

This September, we plan to divide our current **Youth Sunday School Class** (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) into two classes: a **Middle School Class** taught by **Bonnie Bridges** (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades) and a **High School Class** (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades) taught by **Phil Bridges**. This means that we need a teacher for **Bonnie's** current class, **Juniors**, (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades); if you would like to volunteer to teach this class starting in September, see **Pastor Mike** or **Amanda Roberts** (the Chair of our **Christian Education Committee**).

### Homecoming/Anniversary Celebration

Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church was established March 22, 1885, and moved to our current location September 7, 1975. With this in mind, our Session has set Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, as the day to celebrate the 130-year total ministry of our congregation and the 40-year ministry in our present location. Our **Missions and Outreach Committee** and our **Worship Committee** will join together to begin planning this exciting event. If you have any input or would like to help plan and/or prepare for this celebration, please contact **Kim Halbert** or **Sam Ware** (the Chair's of the respective committees) or **Pastor Mike**. These committees will hold a joint meeting this coming Sunday, July 12<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 p.m.

*For the glory of God, Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church exists to **worship** Christ, **evangelize** the lost, **love** one another and our neighbor, and **learn** more about our God.*

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Happy Birthday

July 8th-14th

10th – Elijah Gwilliams  
12th – Jim Curtis  
12th – Jack Gaston  
14th – Carol Long

Stewardship Report July 5, 2015	
Sunday School.....	39
Worship.....	68
Offering.....	\$4,504.00

Activities for July 8-14, 2015		
Saturday:	10:00 a.m.	Ladies’ Bible Study
Sunday:	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:45 a.m.	Worship Service
	5:00 p.m.	Joint Planning Meeting
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m.	Garage Sale Work Day
(See web site for complete calendar listings)		

*Among Our People*

**B.F. Daniel** is still under hospice care . . . It was good having **Tom** and **Emily DeLozier** back worshiping with us last Sunday . . . It was also good having **Rev. Carlton Harper**, and his wife, **Margaret**, back worshiping with us last Sunday . . . **Mark Hester** has been diagnosed with a brain tumor; it is operable, but it is unknown if the tumor is cancerous or benign; he will soon meet with a surgeon . . . **Marlene Ritchey** is still under hospice care . . . The **Steve Summers Family** spent last week at Disney World . . .

**Chapel Carpet Fund**

Classical Conversations (a homeschool group that meets at our church) started a **Chapel Cushion Fund** to replace the pew cushions in our Chapel. The old cushions have now been disposed of and since the wood pews are in such good shape, the decision has been made not to purchase pew cushions at this time, and to instead purchase much-needed new carpet for the Chapel. Our Session’s hope is to have this and the Keene Room refurbishing completed before our upcoming Homecoming/Anniversary Celebration on September 27<sup>th</sup>. To date, \$827.01 has been contributed to this fund and Classical Conversations will continue to raise funds for this project. Anyone who would like to help can donate to it, simply make your check out to the church and mark it **Chapel Carpet Fund**.

**Friendship Club**

The next outing for the **Friendship Club** is Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m. They will gather at the **Lakeside Grill** (Concord Marina) for a Dutch-treat lunch. Everyone reading this announcement is already a member of the **Friendship Club** and is therefore automatically invited to attend this and all monthly outings. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board near the Church Office.

Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

Health and Prayer Concerns (alphabetized)

persecuted Christians around the world; Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries; Mildred Acuff; Sarah Armes (mother of a coworker of Kathy Byers); Chris Atkins (son of Susan Edwards); Janie Beeler (wife of Greg Beeler); Preston Beeler (cousin of Greg Beeler); Charlotte Byrd; Gordon Blaylock; Dick Booher; Kim Boyatt (friend of Susan Edwards); Peggy Bradshaw (mother of Dianne Fielder); Greg Brown (friend of Mary Cregger); Mary Cregger; B.F. and Mary Helen Daniel; Allison, Hailey, Connor, and Hannah Davis; Nora Derreberry (mother of Maxine Curtis); Jim and Cooky Dyer; Edna Fleenor; Grace Flory (mother of Lois Witmer); Judy Gammon; Sandy Gang (cousin of Greg Beeler); Lynne Garrison (sister of Lois Witmer); Jack and Jin Gaston; **MARK HESTER**; Bud and Betty Hickman (friends of Mary Ann Haney); Bobbie Himes (sister of Jin Gaston); Kim Holloway (friend of Lisa Hayes); Bettye Hudson (friend of Pastor Mike’s mother) Becky Ingle (friend of Amanda Roberts); Kim Jones (friend of Amanda and Scott Roberts); Sherri Kramer (friend of Joy Taylor); Ada Ladd; Bob Lawson (friend of Pastor Mike); Gene McCammon; Maxine McGuire; Catherine McKinney; Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Bob Metts; Brian Migas (son of Margaret Migas); Jonathan Migas (son of Margaret Migas); Georgia Moore (sister of Jewell Kerr); Mary Anne Moncier (aunt of Dianne Fielder); Dewaine Moncier, Jr. (cousin of Dianne Fielder); Alice Montgomery; Bob Neal (son-in-law of Mildred Acuff); Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Cliff Parrott; Tom Parrott (son of Cliff Parrott); David Poore (coworker of Phil Bridges); Anna Faye Presley (niece of Catherine McKinney); Nicolae Racile (father of a friend of Joy Taylor); Becky Rader; Rebecca Rech (mother of Justin Rech); Marlene Ritchey; Bryan Rogers (Bonnie Bridges’ son); **FAMILY OF ROGER ROLLINS** (coworker of Steve Summers); Carol Seeman; Tara Shelley and baby; Jonathan Spencer; Gladys Stone; John Snoderly (brother of Betty Hammil); Sydney Snoderly (great-niece of Betty Hammill); **FAMILY OF GENEVA STOUT** (great-aunt of Kim Halbert); Jack Walker; Carl Ware (father of Sam Ware); Joni Warner (friend of Jewell Kerr’s sons); Lois Witmer

*Please keep the Church Office informed of any needed changes to our Prayer Concerns list.*

**Christian Sympathy**

Our sincerest Christian sympathy is extended to the **Family of Roger Rollins**, friend and coworker of Steve Summers, who passed away last Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Our sincerest Christian sympathy is extended to the **Family of Geneva Stout**, the great-aunt of Kim Halbert, who passed away last Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. The arrangements are still pending.

Please keep these families in your prayers.