# The Cumberlander

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Our Weekly Newsletter

#### A NEW MISSION AT FIRST CHURCH!

The pastor and elders of First Church feel led to pursue a new mission at this moment in the life of our congregation.

In order for us to have a continuing viable ministry for the future we believe it is time for us to develop a second worship service with emphasis on reaching young adult families, the unchurched, and all those who prefer a contemporary worship experience.

To that end I will be organizing a Task Force in August to begin praying and planning a first service to be held sometime this fall.

While it is too early to know many specifics, we do believe the new service will probably be held on either a Friday, Saturday, or Sunday evening. It will be separate and distinct from our Sunday morning service and will in no way "compete" with it. On Sunday morning at 10:45 a.m. we will continue to enjoy traditional worship and will encourage friends and newcomers to join us.

The Task Force for the new service will include the chairs of all committees of the church and will also be open to anyone who wants to participate in our mission of developing an additional service with an alternate style at a different time.

If you feel led to join us in the praying and planning stage of our new mission please be present for the first meeting of the Task Force Sunday, August 14, 6:00 p.m. in the gym. If you have any questions or concerns about our new mission please contact the pastor and/or the elders. Please include this concern in your daily prayers during our Season of Prayer!



#### **SEASON OF PRAYER**

Pray that the Lord will build His Church at 6900 Nubbin Ridge Drive

Pray that God's People will be open to the Spirit
Pray that barriers to church growth will fall
Pray for those facing trials and trouble, addictions and disease
Pray for the Church of Jesus Christ around the world
Pray for the Youth and Children's Ministries of First Church

As of Wednesday, August 3 (day 39) we are nearing the halfway point in our season of prayer for the future of First Church, for each other, and for the people, circumstances, and causes God lays on our hearts. Keep on praying and believing God has some wonderful plans for First Cumberland Presbyterian Church! Our children's memory verse last week in "Big Wave Discovery" is wise counsel for us to hear as we continue to pray:

"Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know!" (Jeremiah 33:3)

Still available: Prayer booklets in the narthex! Join a Prayer Group! Add names and needs to "Prayer Central" in the Chapel. Call us: 588-8581/228-0710.



Hey Kids, Come Join Us for

### The Next Big Wave Discovery!

Ages 3-K and Grades 1-6
More Big Answers to Big Questions About Jesus!!!
Tuesday, August 2, 10:00 A.M.
at the McCurry's Pool, 9732 Tunbridge Lane
The carpool will leave from the church by 9:30 a.m. Call 588-8581
A Summer Ministry of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church



#### RALLY DAY IS COMING AUGUST 29!

A new year in Sunday School begins Sunday, August 29. If you are not presently attending a Sunday School class, "Rally Day" is the best time to begin! More details to come!



Join Us For Worship this Sunday! And bring a friend!



## Happy Birthday



#### <u>August</u>

9-Maxine Curtis
11-Bill Halbert



#### Activities for August 7,-13 2011

Sun., 9:30 a.m. 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School Worship Service

Tues., 10:00 a.m. Thurs., 6:30 p.m. Big Wave Discovery Stewardship & Finance

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

#### Stewardship Report for July 31, 2011

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#### eBay Charity Items

We are selling collectables, heirloom items, etc. on eBay for the FAITH for the FUTURE Campaign. If you have such items, please bring them to the office and we will place item on eBay. We have begun this part of the sale and will continue until we run out of items. Nick Deal is photographing these items. Pitch in and help. Giving items is the easiest part.

Can We Count on YOU??????

#### Moving to the Digital World

We are now in the slow process of moving our decades of Worship Services that are recorded on cassette tape to CD. We will have these CDs in the library for those who may want to check them out and listen to them. If you have old format memories and want to move them to digital call the office. Fees will be contribution to HVAC renovation.

#### 2nd Annual Children's Consignment Sale

Yes, it is back bigger and better than last year. Our 2nd Annual Children's Consignment Sale will be held August 27 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Information is on the church's web page and on Facebook, but you may call either Julie Rech or Allison Witmer for information. They will need help with this project, so please call to volunteer to help. All funds that are realized will be donated to the

**FAITH** for the **FUTURE** Campaign.

#### **Directory Update**

We have begun the process of updating our Church Directory. Please fill out the forms located in the Narthex and give turn them into the office. We hope to have a new directory printed in a month or two.

There will be no choir practice nor children's church during the month of August!!!



### Prayer Concerns

In the Hospital

On-going Health and Prayer Concerns



Please keep the Church office informed of any needed changes to our Prayer Concerns list. Call 588-8581 or email firstcpc@earthlink.net.

Dance Classes for Faith for the Future Campaign
Dance classes will begin September 8 this fall at 7:00
p.m. Jin and Jack Gaston will be leading the classes
with the help of Jim and Maxine Curtis. If you are interested in attending these classes
please contact the Gastons at 573-3754;
the Curtis at 357-0441 or the office.
The cost of the classes is \$25 a person
for 10 weeks. All funds collected will be
given to the FAITH for the FUTURE
Campaign.

#### **SESSION MEETING**

The Session will meet for their regular monthly meeting Tuesday, August 16, 7:00 p.m. in the Keene Room. Session packets will be available by Sunday, August 14 in the narthex.

#### FRIENDSHIP CLUB IN AUGUST

The Friendship Club invites everyone at least 55 years-old to join us for our next monthly fellowship luncheon Wednesday, August 10, 11:00 a.m. at Puleo's Grille, 242 Morrell Road (531-6338). Newcomers and their guests are always welcome to join us! Sign up on the bulletin board outside the church offices or call 588-8581.