The Cumberlander

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Our Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

June 4, 2014



In the May 21st edition of *The Cumberlander*, I announced that on Sunday, June 15th, I would begin a Summer sermon series entitled "Good News about God's Grace". When I planned this, I did not realize that June 15th was *Father's Day*, so I will not be starting this sermon series until Sunday, June 22nd. To paraphrase what I wrote two weeks ago: Grace is something

we talk about a lot in the Church, but how many of us fully understand what God's grace really means for our everyday lives? Make it a point to be at First Cumberland this Summer and perhaps, just perhaps, God will reveal some of the wonders of His grace to us through this series of messages.

On a personal note, last Saturday Joanna and I received a surprise visit from our oldest daughter, Christina, and her husband, Waylon, who live in Birmingham. Since this coming Wednesday (June 4th) is Joanna's birthday, they gave her a present—a box of pink and blue M&Ms and an ultrasound picture of our second grandchild. The due date is January 18th. Please keep Christina and Baby Hinkle in your prayers. God is not only good, God is great!

Pastor Mike

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School begins this coming Sunday evening, June 8th. This year's theme is Arrowhead Island. Sunday through Tuesday's schedule will begin with a light supper, at 5:30 p.m., in the gym. The menu is printed on the back page of this newsletter. Opening Assembly for everyone will begin at 6:00 p.m., in the Chapel. In addition to classes for children ages three through fifth grade plus a nursery, we will have both youth (sixth through twelfth grades) and adult classes with a special speaker each night. The adult classes and speakers are as follows: Sunday—Drugs and Senior Concerns, led by Sergeant Tom Walker; Monday—Financial Considerations, led by Toby Strickland; and Tuesday—Nutrition and Health, led by Mark Pendergrass, D.C. The youth classes and speakers are as follows: Sunday—Bullying, led by Lindsay Bridges; Monday—Street Gangs, led by Sergeant Tom Walker, and Tuesday—Teenage Abstinence, led by Lucus Herd. All ages groups are invited to Wednesday's Closing Ceremony and Family Cookout (hamburgers and hot dogs), which will include a waterslide. As part of VBS, we will be collecting shoes for Soles4Souls. We will also be collecting money for the Cumberland Presbyterian Children's Home.

Friendship Club

The **Friendship Club** will gather at **The Original Louis' Drive-in Restaurant**, at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 11th, for a Dutch-treat lunch. The restaurant is located at 4661 Old Broadway, (near Fountain City). Everyone reading this article is automatically a member of the **Friendship Club** and is therefore invited to go on this outing.

Automated External Defibrillator

Our Session wants to purchase an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for the church. An AED is a portable computerized device that can analyze a person's heart rhythm, and then deliver an appropriate electric shock to restore the heartbeat. The sooner a shock is given, the better the chance of survival. The cost of this potentially lifesaving device is approximately \$1,800.00, including both adult and pediatric electrode pads and supplies, and a wall cabinet for safe storage. Last Sunday, \$75.00 was given toward this purchase, giving us a total of \$440.00 and leaving a balance of \$1,360.00. Though the check has not yet been received (it should arrive this week), we have been notified of a of \$1,000.00 contribution from someone outside the church. It would be awesome if we knock out the remaining balance this coming Sunday. Remember, together we can do this!

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.



First Cumberland,

where you belong!



Happy Birthday



June

8-Kristi Summers 10-Phil Bridges 10-Greg Curtis 13-Marlene Ritchey



Activities for June 8-14, 2014

Sun., 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service 5:30 p.m. VBS Mon., 5:30 p.m. VBS Tues., 5:30 p.m. VBS Wed., 5:30 p.m. VBS

(See web site for complete calendar listings)

Stewardship Report June 1, 2014

Sunday School		
Worship		
Offering		
Project Offerings		

Among Our People

Steve Summers family back from a trip to Washington, D. C. where Steve gave a presentation at a trade conference ... **Josh Rech** and **Chrissy Curtis** are at Church Camp ...



MEAL #1 SUNDAY JUNE 8TH
PIMIENTO CHEESE SANDWICH, CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICH & PEANUT BUTTER SANDWICH
ASSORTED CHIPS
WATER, TEA & LEMONADE
COOKIES

MEAL #2 MONDAY JUNE 9TH MAC N CHEESE BEANY- WEENIE ROLLS WATER, TEA & LEMONADE COOKIES

MEAL #3 TUESDAY JUNE 10TH
CHICKEN CASSEROLE WITH VEGETABLES
ROLLS
WATER, TEA & LEMONADE
COOKIES

MEAL # 4 WEDNESDAY JUNE 11TH; COOKOUT HOT DOGS & HAMBURGERS ASSORTED CHIPS WATER & SODAS



Prayer Concerns In the Hospital

Marlene Ritchey, NHC Oak Ridge Mary Jane Blaylock, Parkwest Hospital Health and Prayer Concerns



CP Missionaries; Mary Jane and Gordon Blaylock; Mildred Stone; Edna Fleenor; Howard Eblen; Mary Cregger; Gladys Stone; Mildred Acuff; Maxine McGuire; Ada Ladd; Carol Seeman; Bud and Betty Hickman (friends of Mary Ann Haney); Carl Overstreet (friend of Cliff Parrott); Jonathan Migas; Peggy Bradshaw (Dianne Fielder's mother); Nora Derreberry (Maxine Curtis's mother); Marlene Ritchey; Brian Migas; Mary McJunkins (Mary Wegman's mother); Donna Wingard (Mildred Acuff's daughter); Debbie and David Triese (Margaret Migas's sister and husband); Carl Ware; Allison, Hailey, Connor and Hannah Davis; Janie Beeler (Greg Beeler's wife); Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Debbie Holloway; Mildred Gragg (friend of Mary Cregger); Kim and her family (friends of Amanda and Scott Roberts); Rebecca Rech (mother of Justin Rech); Jack Gaston; Marie Jobson (friend of the Witmer's); Cliff Parrott; Dale Craddo (Scott Robert's uncle); Tom Williams (friend of Cliff Parrott); Dick Rex Hayes (Pastor Mike's and Joanna's grandson); Tom Parrott (Cliff Parrott's son); Larry Taylor (Joy's husband); Richard Hines (Jin Gaston's brother-in-law); Carl Kissiah (Joanna Wilkinson's father); the Whaley family (friends of Kathy Byers); J. David Hester; Christina and Baby Hinkle (Pastor Mike and Joanna's daughter and expectant grandchild)

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

Our ??th Annual Garage Sale

Our annual Garage Sale date has been set for July 25 and 26. If you have items that you would like to donate to the church to sell, we will begin taking items beginning the week of June 15.

If you have any questions about this event or would like to volunteer to help please call Maxine or the church office.

The Last Week for Soles4Souls

The Women's Ministry's drive to support the Soles4Souls Ministry has begun. Please bring in your new; lightly used; or used shoes and place them in one of the boxes either in the gym or church office. Your donation may be used to help a child to attend school, to support disaster relief, or to provide African craft artists with raw materials to work and provide for their families. The Soles4Souls organization wants ANY old pair of shoes to recycle and repurpose the old shoes. If you have any questions, please email Donna Walker at thetwwalkers@att.net