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Mid-Week Manna

A Weekly Newsletter from the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

Wednesday,
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From Your Minister - Christian Smith

Yesterday was an important day in the life of Cookeville Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Yesterday, the church celebrated its 152nd birthday. As we prepare to enter into our 153rd year of ministry, I share with you a few moments from the life of the church that led us to where we are today.

- On August 20th, 1867, following a revival led by Jesse E. Hickman and Stephen Davis, the Cookeville Society of Cumberland Presbyterians was formed and JM Goodpasture and Jesse Pendergrass were elected elders.
- In 1891, the church's building was completely destroyed by fire. As a new building was being erected, a windstorm destroyed it. A new church building would not be completed until 1894. That building would see a basement added in 1932 and an annex added in 1950.
- On August 20th, 1968, under the leadership of Rev. Logan Tilghman, the congregation broke ground on a piece of land on East 10th Street to build a building that would provide adequate space for a growing congregation.

It is interesting to know the history of the church, but it is more exciting to know that we are still making history. Everything that we do here adds to the legacy of our congregation and more importantly adds to the work of the Kingdom of God. Let's celebrate the birthday of the church by making the commitment to work diligently to carry on the work of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Stewardship Report - August 18, 2019

Sunday School - 99
 8:45 Worship - 107
 11:00 Worship - 92
 Total in Worship - 199

Commitments - \$3,742.00
 Undesignated Giving - \$1073.87
 Other - \$308.00
 Total Offering - \$5,123.87

This week we received \$178.00 for Connection meals, 30.00 for turkeys, and \$100.00 for Crooks' wedding expenses. We also received \$100.00 in memorial contributions.

This Week in the Church: August 21 - 27

Aug 21 Connection Dinner (5:15pm)
 Children & Youth (6:00pm)
 Twisted Stitches (6:00pm)
 Adult Class (6:15pm)

Aug 22 Hallelujah Handbells (5:30pm)

Aug 25 Worship (8:45am)
 Sunday School (9:50am)
 Worship (11:00am)
 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (12:00pm)
 FISH FRY Activities/Dinner (3:00/5:00pm)

Aug 27 Community Assistance (1-3pm)

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In the Church

We offer our thanks to the Sanctuary Choir for leading us in special music this week. We also want to thank Linda Welch for serving as liturgist for both services. We thank Jodi Smith and Stelmo Stepp for assisting with the worship PowerPoint.

SUNDAY IN WORSHIP

Sunday, August 25th, will be the 11th Sunday after Pentecost. The chancel color is green. Our scripture will be Hebrews 12:18-24. Please plan to join us as we worship God and celebrate the victory that is ours through Christ.

Volunteers this Week

Acolytes - 8:45 Elisabeth Hudson

11:00 Yoel Reyes

Nursery - 8:45 Cindy Verble

11:00 Mel Presley

Greeters - Dave & Ethel James

Service Elders - Bob Myracle, Shane Welch

Sound System - Mike Davidson

The Connection Resumes!

Connection continues this week with dinner at 5:15pm. On the menu is cheesy chicken spaghetti, corn, watermelon, and dessert. We are still in the process of compiling our Standing Reservation list. Please let us know tonight if you want a standing reservation so we can complete our roster. After tonight, standing and one-time reservations will need to respond via the church website, fill out a card for the offering plate or call Sandra in the office by Tuesday at 10:00am. The cost is \$4 for adults and \$3 for youth/children; no family pays more than \$12.00 per meal. Children and Youth will meet at 6:00pm with the adult studies meeting at 6:15pm. The Twisted Stitchers will meet at 6:00pm in the Session Room. Julie Stepp will be leading a four-week class called **Anxious for Nothing**. It invites us to delve into Philippians 4:6-7 (one of the most highlighted passages of any book on the planet) and to stop letting anxiety rule the day. Join us on a journey to experience more joy, clarity, physical renewal, and contentment by the power of the Holy Spirit. Be sure to join us for this weekly group of activities. We look forward to having you with us.



CHURCH MISSION NEWS



LOCAL MISSIONS

Our church is a collection point for the **Jammin' at HIPPIE JACK'S** program. Hippy Jack's delivers food to the poorest regions of the Upper Cumberland. Donations will be accepted from the community Tuesday through Friday of each week at the church. Let your friends and co-workers know.

We continue to collect **QUARTERS** for use in making laundry packs to provide those in need with detergent and quarters to do a load of laundry at a laundromat. We have made and distributed about 100 of these in the last nine months.

Twisted Stitcher's goal is to have a couple of finished and tagged **PRAYER SHAWLS** on the desk in the Session Room at all times. Please help our ministry by getting them to anyone who could benefit from prayers and the love of Christ. Please indicate on the list who the blanket went to and help us cover everyone. Thank you.



Connection Dinner Reservations

Note that we **DID NOT** carry over standing reservations from last year's dinner list. If you would like to make a standing reservation and have not yet done so, please let us know tonight as you go through the line. Otherwise, you may fill out a reservation card on Sunday, visit our church website, or call Sandra in the church office by 10:00am on Tuesday morning. Thanks!



JOY Club to CCPH



If you made reservations to go to the Cumberland County Playhouse to see Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat on August 29th, cost for the event will be \$30.00 and a dutch treat lunch at the 5th Street Marketplace Café in Crossville. We will meet at the church at 11:30am and return around 6:00pm.

Adopt-a-College Student Program

Summer is almost over and it is time to head back to school. A huge thank you to everyone that participated last semester by adopting a student. We know our students were blessed and hope you were too. We would love for each adopter to continue with their student this year, but we also need new adopters. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex if you'd like to participate. We invite everyone to take part by simply praying for all our students. If you have any questions, please contact Alice Peek 239-5513 or Cindy Putz 261-4597.



FISH FRY



We hope that everyone is making plans to join us for our 3rd Annual Fish Fry. We will begin gathering for bounce houses, games, fellowship, and fun at 3pm. Dinner will be served at 5pm. The menu includes: fish, chicken tenders, french fries, cole slaw, hush puppies, white beans and tea or water.

The Fellowship Committee is in need of some assistance with the Fish Fry:

- We need the congregation to bring desserts and yard games like corn hole.
- We need the assistance of 4 to 5 people to help with clean up after the event. It should take no longer than an hour. Mostly includes dishwashing, drying and putting things away along with basic cleanup.
- Anyone who has a drone capable of taking pictures would be a bonus.

Last call for Soles for Souls

Over the years, Pete and Regina Weber have collected over 4300 pairs of shoes from the congregation to donate to Soles for Souls. They have decided to take a break from collecting, so after September 1, the collection box will be gone. If you have any shoes you'd like to donate, you can drop them off today only.

Thank you Pete & Regina for all your work and for the time you devoted to this cause!

JOY Club Calendar Now Available

A JOY Club Calendar for the remainder of the year is now available on the narthex table. We hope you will consider going with us on some of our adventures. Remember, folks of ALL ages are invited to attend!

Presbyterian Student Association Meals

September is our church's month to provide meals for Bible Study at the PSA House. A sign up sheet is available in the narthex for items needed each week. We ask that food be brought to the house or the church (ready to serve) no later than 5:00pm each Tuesday. If you have not been helping with these meals, this would be a wonderful time to get involved. The students really appreciate your generosity.



Looking Ahead...

On Tuesday, October 15th, the JOY Club will gather with fellow Cumberland Presbyterians for a day of worship and lunch at Montgomery Bell State Park, the birthplace of the Cumberland Presbyterian Denomination. During the day we will experience worship in the historic chapel, eat lunch at the Inn Restaurant at the park and have time to tour the grounds. The cost is \$10.00 plus a dutch treat lunch. We will leave the church at 7:30am and return around 3:30pm.



Worship Bags

As always, we invite kids of all ages to take a worship bag located in the narthex. New items are placed weekly in these bags to help kids follow along with worship. Please return bags after the service.



Today's altar flowers are placed to the glory of God in honor of the marriage of our son Zach to his beautiful bride Jenni, from Mom and Dad (Ed and Janet Fowler).

Today's narthex flowers are placed to the glory of God in celebration and memory of Sonny Beckham.

Prayer Requests . . .

- James Baggett (Cindy Gray's father)
- The family of Eric Westin
- The family of Marie Pearson
- Earl Nichols (cancer treatment)
- Chuck Galemore (cancer treatment)
- Blake Weber (Pete & Regina's grandson)
- Junior Dickerson's sister, Fay
- Bob Hill
- Jerry Hill (assisted living)
- Becky Knight (cancer)
- Kathy Shanks
- Esther Spencer's aunt, Jean
- Nancy Biss (Tracy Sparks' mom - breast cancer)
- Jim Lansford
- Dave James
- Frank Howard (Frankie Dickerson's father)
- Joe Mullins (stroke)
- Hendricks Pippin (3-yr-old diagnosed with cancer - friend of Steven & Amanda Jones)
- Cindy Bilbrey (Jerry Samon's sister - cancer)
- Don Shockley
- Brenda Savage (friend of Liz Fournet)
- Frankie Dickerson

- Kathy Hilton
- Joyce Greenwell (Sandy Byrne's mother)
- Devonia McGee
- Wilma Diemer
- Pat Brumfield (eyesight failing)
- Levi Rector
- Ethan Morgan
- Robert Buck
- Johnny Dunn (COPD)
- Walter Plyter (Assisted Living)
- Cindy Furcean
- Clay Vanhooser
- Jeremy Germinis (cancer)
- Byron Fournet (cancer)
- Nancy Dixon (pancreatic cancer)
- Melissa Daniel Crannigan (cancer)
- Max Atnip (cancer)
- Mel Brown (cancer)
- Steven Middleton (cancer)
- Bob Fowler (Bailey Manor)
- Anne McDonald, Rita Pickard, Charlene Huddleston (Cedar Hills)
- Lynn Dunham, Dave & Jackie Van der Cook (Morningside)
- Unnamed prayer requests

