



Mid-Week Manna

A Weekly Newsletter from the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

*Wednesday,
October 21, 2020*

From Your Minister - Christian Smith



I cannot begin to express my gratitude for your expressions of appreciation. This day is always special and it is always nice to know that people appreciate what you do. Especially this year, Caleb and I appreciate your patience and trust in us as we attempt to lead this congregation. Your love and care for my family and me is a blessing. We love this community and our First Cumberland Presbyterian Church family.

Blessings,
Christian

Thank you to everyone who contacted me with kind words or sent gifts during pastor appreciation week. It is truly a blessing to know that Christian and I are appreciated in this wonderful church. Your appreciation gives me strength and makes it that much more fulfilling to serve this congregation.

Thank you again!

Caleb Norris

WINONA MEAL ON 27TH

Our next Winona meal is scheduled to be delivered on Tuesday evening, October 27. We need the following food items; if anyone wants to donate or help deliver, please contact Alice Peek at 239-5513. **Drop food off to the church by noon on 10/27.** Thanks!

Hamburger buns (45)

Green beans (45 servings)

Mac and Cheese (45 servings)

Individual desserts (40)

Cheese (40)

Individual chips (40)

Apples or Oranges (40)

Bananas (40)

Second Worship Service Added

We thank each of you who attended our first outdoor worship service. The service went well and seemed to be well-received. We will continue to offer this slightly abbreviated and less formal service each Sunday at 11:00am until we can all be in the building together again.

Beginning this week, we ask that people do not park in the spaces directly in front of the pavilion. We would like to leave those spaces available as a parking space for families who wish to worship inside of their vehicles.



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We thank Jim Gray, Sandra Robbins, and Judy Sullivan for their leadership in our music. We also want to thank Jodi Smith for helping with the PowerPoint and Bill Byers for his work with the camera system.



Worship Information

Sunday, October 25th, will be Reformation Sunday. The chancel color is red. Our text for the sermon will be John 8:31-36. Please plan to join us in the sanctuary or online at 10:00am or in the Family Life Center pavilion at 11:00am as we worship God.

- Trunk or Treat -

When: October 28, 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Where: FCPC Parking Lot next to the Family Life Center



Plan: Trick-or-treaters will proceed from the north side of the parking lot through the line of cars in every other parking spot adjacent to the Family Life Center. Volunteers handing out treats should wear masks and gloves, which will be provided for any who need them. After moving through and receiving their treats, children and parents can visit a sanitizing table under the FLC pavilion to apply hand sanitizer before they leave the parking lot. Treat bags will be available in the pavilion for any families who would rather not walk through the line.

Volunteers: If you would like to set up a vehicle for Trunk or Treat, please make sure to leave a parking space between each car, and have your vehicle ready to go by 5:55. If you can think of a creative and fun way to deliver treats to the kids without direct contact, that would be great! If not, please make sure to minimize contact during the delivery process.

Love-Joy Circle Activities

We are inviting the congregation to assist us in our ministries by saving 'Education Box Tops' and aluminum can pop tops. We are collecting children's tennis shoes size 10 kids to size 4 girls/boys (new or slightly used) for Park View School. As we share hope with those with cancer, we are collecting scarves for Hope Scarves, a non-profit organization that recycles used scarves for cancer patients. Hold on to your saved items and contributions until we are once collecting them.



MISSIONS

CHURCH MISSION NEWS

WE HAVE A NEED FOR 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 200 of these in the last year.

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.



Samaritan's Purse

It's time to start thinking about packing our Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes! This year we will have two methods of packing a box! You may "Build a Shoebox" online or pick up a box here at the church. Children need love more than ever at this time; they need the hope found only in Jesus Christ. Contact Belinda Wynne at 931-979-7816 for more information and stay tuned to find out how you can help.



Wednesday Evening Bible Study



On Wednesday evenings we are studying the history and beliefs of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. You are invited to join us at 6pm in the Family Life Center Pavilion or through Zoom. If you have not been receiving the link to those studies, please let Christian know.

Sunday's altar flowers were placed to the Glory of God and in memory of Sue Myracle by Bob Myracle.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT for Sunday, October 18, 2020

Commitments - \$5,585.00 Undesignated - \$365.00 Other - \$50.00

Sunday's offering included \$50.00 for flowers.

Total Deposit - \$6,000.00

GIVING

It is our hope that, during this world health crisis, Cookeville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church can continue to be the church and offer hope, assistance, and love to our community. However, in order to do that, we need your help. In order to continue with Tuesday Assistance, pay bills and our staff, we need you to prayerfully consider your ability to continue your regular giving. We know that it is a scary time for a lot of people. If you are able, please consider helping us to help some of the others that are being hurt during this time.

1. mail an offering to the church at 565 E. 10th St., Cookeville, TN 38501
2. give using a debit card through the church website. <http://www.cookevillecpchurch.org/give/>
3. instruct your financial institution to make a contribution from your account (each institution may have different rules/instructions for how to do this)

Camera Persons Needed

The church needs one or more persons to learn to run our new camera system for the 8:45am service on Sundays. The new system supports many views of the church and works to highlight various viewpoints, including a wide view of the church, the pulpit, lectern and music instruments. The new system is not difficult, but will require some training and Steve Boots, who currently runs the system, would be available for that purpose. We would like to have at least a couple of people become proficient at running the system and would like to have you express your interest to Steve or Christian. We would love to begin training you immediately.



All Saints Sunday

This past year has been especially difficult for our community. During our worship services on November 1, we will be remembering the saints of our church and community who have passed away during the past year. If you have names that need to be added to our All Saints banner, please send them to Christian.



Nursery Worker Needed

Nursery Attendant Needed

Once we are able to offer nursery services again, we will be in need of an attendant for our nursery. This is a paid position. If you are interested, or you know of someone who would be interested in this position, please share that information with Steve Boots or Christian.

The **Pathfinders Sunday School** class is meeting at 8:45 on Sunday mornings in the outside area of the Pavilion. Please consider joining us.

Good News Class

The Good News Class is now meeting at 9:00am for Sunday School. This class will take place in the Upper Commons. The class will be studying the book of Revelation. Everyone is invited to come and take part in this study.

Prayer Requests . . .

Mike Sheets (surgery)

The family of Earl Nichols

Evelyn Hyder

Lynn Dunham (broken hip)

Ginny Liebsch

Don Haynes (COVID-19)

Carolyn Zolg (Parkinson's)

Devonia McGee

Kathy Shanks

Julie Stepp (surgery)

Julie Stepp's mother (pancreatic surgery)

Margie Copeland (Freeman Smith's sister)

Don Anderson (serious auto accident)

Leighann Morgan and family

Lynn Twitty (cancer)

Wanda McCaskey

Ella Haynes

Pat Brumfield

Don Dyer

Euna Hancock Brown (Sarah Joyce's sister)

Dorothy Nichols

Ramona Tilghman

Ruth Sapp

Junior Dickerson's sister, Fay

Tim Fournet

Dave James

Private Requests

Wilma Diemer

Bob Hill

Jim Lansford

Levi Rector

Robert Buck

Johnny Dunn (COPD)

Cindy Furcean

Clay Vanhooser

Niki Work (cancer)

Becky Knight (cancer)

Cindy Bilbrey (Jerry Samon's sister - cancer)

Jeremy Germinis (cancer)

Nancy Dixon (pancreatic cancer)

Max Atnip (cancer)

Mel Brown (cancer)

Steven Middleton (cancer)

Jerry Hill (assisted living in Cleveland, TN)

Charlene Huddleston (Cedar Hills)

Carol Burgess (Heritage Pointe)

Lynn Dunham, Dave & Jackie Van der Cook (Morningside)

Unnamed prayer requests

Those in the military and their families

