

Mid-Week Manna

A Weekly Newsletter from the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

*Wednesday,
January 20, 2021*

From Your Minister - Christian Smith



June 3, 2007 was a special day for me. That Sunday afternoon people crowded into the small sanctuary at Bates Hill Cumberland Presbyterian Church in McMinnville to be a part of my ordination service. I had worked for years to reach that goal. I had worked for years for the opportunity to be set apart as a minister of word and sacrament.

January 24, 2021 will be a day that Caleb will never forget. This Sunday you will have the opportunity to be a part of his service of ordination. Whether it is in-person or online, you will have a chance to be a part of the moment when he is set apart as a minister of word and sacrament. It is also a special moment for this church as he is recognized and installed as our Associate Pastor of Children and Youth. Like so many other things, COVID will make this look different, but I hope you will join us in prayer and celebration either in the sanctuary or from your home as we make January 24, 2021 a special day for the church and for Caleb.

Blessings, Christian

WINONA MEAL

Our next meal for residents of the Winona motel is scheduled for Tuesday, February 26th. Please look over the menu below to see whether there is anything you can contribute to the meal. Food for the meal should be ready and delivered to the church by 4pm on that Tuesday. Contact Tracy Sparks at 931-261-1029 to sign up. Thanks!



Lasagna for 25

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Green Beans for 20

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20 oranges

20 oranges

20 bananas

20 bananas

Salad for 25

Salad for 25

2 Large bottles Italian Dressing

Garlic Bread for 25

Garlic Bread for 25

Individually wrapped desserts for 20

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Please join us in-person or online at 6:00pm on Sunday, January 24th, as Caleb Norris is ordained as a minister and installed as our Associate Pastor of Children and Youth.



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, January 24th, will be the 3rd Sunday of Epiphany. The chancel color is green. Our text for the sermon will be Jonah 3:1-10. 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

11:00am Worship Service

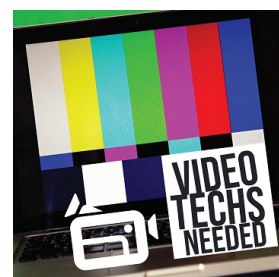
We thank each of you who attend our outdoor worship service (Family Life Center). We will continue to offer this slightly abbreviated and less formal service each Sunday at 11:00am until we can all be in the building together again.

We ask that people 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 from inside their vehicles.



Camera Persons Needed

The church needs another person or two to learn to run our new camera system for the 10am 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.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT for Sunday, January 17, 2020

Commitments - \$4,285.00 Undesignated - \$1,517.00 Other - \$130.00
 Sunday's offering included \$50.00 for flowers, \$50.00 for facility usage,
 \$30.00 for Winona Projects and \$30.00 in memorials.
 Total Deposit - \$5,932.00





The **2021 Flower Calendar** signup sheet is now posted in the narthex. Please place your name next to the date(s) for which you are interested in donating flowers. You may also call in your request for placing flowers in the sanctuary on Sunday. The cost for flowers is \$50.00. Sally Beyer will call you for a dedication the week the flowers are to be ordered.

Commitment Cards

If you have not yet submitted your pledge for year 2021, please take a moment to complete a Commitment Card and place it in Sunday's offering, drop it by the office or mail it to the church address. A copy of the 2021 Budget is on the narthex table if you would like to see how the church disburses its funds. Please call Sandra in the office if you would like a copy of the budget.



The Twisted Stitchers' goal is to have a couple of finished and tagged **PRAYER SHAWLS** on the desk in the Session Room at all times. Please support 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.

Men's Bible Study

Tim Fournet is conducting a Men's Bible Study on Tuesdays at 12:00pm. The first study is "Ten Men of the Bible" by Max Lucado. This study guide is widely available on multiple sites. If you need help finding or purchasing this guide, please let Christian (931-265-8896) or Tim (931-239-9752) know. Each lesson is a 5-day guide and the study lasts for 10 weeks. We will discuss one lesson each week.



The first class was held yesterday and will continue on November 24th. We are meeting in the church pavilion and invite you to bring a lawn chair and your lunch. We provide a Zoom link to the study as well.

Everyone is welcome. We will be following Church Guidelines on Social Distancing. If you have any questions, please let Tim or me know.

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.cookevillecpcchurch.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)





The **Good News** Sunday School 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.

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

Sunday School for Children and Youth!

This past Sunday, we began having Sunday school classes for all of our school-aged children and youth. Classes begin at 9:00am. As we strive to make sure that your children and family stay safe, we will be using outdoor spaces when the weather permits and will maintain our distance from one another. When we must be inside the building, masks will be required. We look forward to seeing your children and youth on Sunday mornings!



Prayer Requests . . .

Those addicted to drugs/alcohol; their families
 The family of Kenny Hill
 Al Middleton (motorcycle accident)
 Jimmy Stringer (heart procedure)
 Ray Spencer (heart repair)
 Rico Schwartz (17-yr old hit by drunk driver)
 Memory Turner (Rico's mother)
 Rev. Blake Stephens
 Bobby Wallace
 Kathy Hilton
 Ginny Liebsch
 Devonia McGee
 Kathy Shanks
 Julie Stepp's mother
 Leighann Morgan and family
 Wanda McCaskey
 Ella Haynes
 Pat Brumfield
 Don Dyer
 Euna Hancock Brown
 Dorothy Nichols
 Ramona Tilghman
 Ruth Sapp
 Junior Dickerson's sister, Fay

Tim Fournet
 Dave James
 Wilma Diemer
 Bob Hill
 Jim Lansford
 Levi Rector
 Robert Buck
 Johnny Dunn (COPD)
 Cindy Furcean
 Clay Vanhooser
 Lynn Twitty (cancer)
 Evelyn Hyder (cancer)
 Becky Knight (cancer)
 Jeremy Germinis (cancer)
 Max Atnip (cancer)
 Mel Brown (cancer)
 Steven Middleton (cancer)
 Charlene Huddleston (Cedar Hills)
 Carol Burgess (Heritage Pointe)
 Lynn Dunham, (Signature Healthcare)
 Dave & Jackie Van der Cook (Morningside)
 Unnamed prayer requests
 Those in the military and their families

