



Mid-Week Manna

A Weekly Newsletter from the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

*Wednesday,
January 27, 2021*

From Your Minister - Christian Smith

REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE RESUMES

Since the beginning of this pandemic, the session has been striving to make sure that we are able to have worship in the most convenient and, more importantly, the safest way possible. This has meant that we have changed our worship schedule several times. On **February 7th**, we will be changing for what we hope will be the final time. On Sunday, February 7th, we will return to our normal worship schedule. We will have worship at 8:45am and 11:00am. Both services will take place in the sanctuary. It is the session's hope that this change will allow more seating space in the sanctuary and allow people to spread out more as we continue to strive to provide a safe place to worship God.

Additionally, we are opening back up the rest of the building to allow classes to meet in their regular Sunday school classrooms. While we know that some classes are not ready to return to in-person meetings, we hope those who are will begin to use this opportunity.

Again, we understand that there are some who are far from ready to return to the church. We support your decision and will continue to offer online worship and Zoom Bible studies. If there are other ways that we can assist you through this difficult time, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Blessings, Christian

Men's Bible Study

The men's Tuesday (noon) study group will be taking a break as Tim undergoes some surgery. The group will be off for several weeks and we will let you know when classes are to resume.



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.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT for Sunday, January 24, 2021

Commitments - \$10,115.00 Undesignated - \$800.34 Other - 251.00

Sunday's offering included \$150.00 for flowers and \$101.00 for assistance.

Total Deposit - \$11,166.34

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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, January 31st, will be the 4th Sunday of Epiphany. The chancel color is green. Our text for the sermon will Mark 1:21-28. Please plan to join us in the sanctuary or online at 10:00am.

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.



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.

Sunday School Resumes February 7th

On **February 7th**, we will be having Sunday school classes for all of our school-aged children, youth and adult classes. Classes begin at 10:00am. 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 you all on Sunday mornings!



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)





Today's altar flowers are placed to the glory of God and in honor of Caleb Norris' ordination and installation by the Carroll Gotcher family.

Wednesday Night Bible Study Resumes

We will be resuming our Wednesday night Bible Studies tonight at 6pm. Studies will take place on Zoom. We encourage you to join us as we discuss a variety of topics this semester. Tonight, we will be taking a more in-depth look at the book of Jonah.



Prayer Requests . . .

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| Tim Fournet (surgery) | Ramona Tilghman |
| Coen Malone Chambers (Carolyn Pinkley's great-grandson) | Ruth Sapp |
| Those addicted to drugs/alcohol; their families | Junior Dickerson's sister, Fay |
| The family of Kenny Hill | Dave James |
| Al Middleton (motorcycle accident) | Wilma Diemer |
| Don Anderson | Bob Hill |
| Jimmy Stringer (heart procedure) | Jim Lansford |
| Ray Spencer (heart repair) | Levi Rector |
| Rico Schwartz (17-yr old hit by drunk driver) | Robert Buck |
| Memory Turner (Rico's mother) | Johnny Dunn (COPD) |
| Rev. Blake Stephens | Cindy Furcean |
| Bobby Wallace | Clay Vanhooser |
| Kathy Hilton | Lynn Twitty (cancer) |
| Ginny Liebsch | Evelyn Hyder (cancer) |
| Devonia McGee | Becky Knight (cancer) |
| Kathy Shanks | Jeremy Germinis (cancer) |
| Julie Stepp's mother | Max Atnip (cancer) |
| Leighann Morgan and family | Mel Brown (cancer) |
| Wanda McCaskey | Steven Middleton (cancer) |
| Ella Haynes | Charlene Huddleston (Cedar Hills) |
| Pat Brumfield | Carol Burgess (Heritage Pointe) |
| Don Dyer | Lynn Dunham (Signature Healthcare) |
| Euna Hancock Brown | Dave & Jackie Van der Cook (Morningside) |
| Dorothy Nichols | Unnamed prayer requests |
| | Those in the military and their families |

