

# Mid-Week Manna

A Weekly Newsletter from the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

From Your Minister - Christian Smith

Wednesday,  
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The offering of worship on Sundays takes several volunteers. Right now, many of those jobs are done by the same people each week. We would like to see more people involved in service to the church. We would love to show you how easy most of these jobs are. You can help with preparing communion for worship. You can help by being a greeter or an offering usher. You may help by operating the camera system. You can sit in the pew and help with the sound or the computer that controls the images that appear on the church TVs. You may even help lead the worship service by serving as a liturgist. There are numerous ways that you can serve. There is a role for everyone. You may sign up for some of these positions by using the QR code that is located beside this paragraph. Simply open your camera app on your mobile phone and aim it at the picture. It should offer you a link to open at that point. Additionally, you can always call me or text me and I will happily find a place for you to serve.



Blessings, Christian

The **Twisted Stitches** are making dishcloths for this year's Thanksgiving turkey boxes. They are looking for donations of **cotton yarn** for the dishcloths. If you have some yarn or are willing to purchase some yarn, please stop and drop it by the church office.



## Homecoming Activities

On Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, we will gather for dinner at 5pm to continue celebrating our church homecoming. We will have a fish fry, inflatables for the kids, and snow cones for everyone. We hope that you will make plans to join us as we celebrate our church family.

## Church Cleanup Day

On September 25<sup>th</sup> we will be cleaning up our church grounds. We encourage you to join us at 8:00am with your tools as we work together to clean and make our church property even more beautiful.



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We thank Jim Gray, Sandra Robbins and Judy Sullivan for their leadership in our music this past Sunday. We also want to thank the Sanctuary Choir for leading us in special music. Finally, we thank Jodi Smith and Jim Putz for their help with the church PowerPoint.

### Worship Information


Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, will be the Eighteenth Sunday of Pentecost. The chancel color is green. This week is also Youth Sunday; the youth have planned the service and will lead in worship. Please plan to join us online (8:45am) or in the sanctuary at 8:45am or 11:00am as we worship God.

 <p><b>Dates to Remember</b></p>	September 19	- Youth Sunday
	September 24	- Children's Lock-in
	September 25	- Church Cleanup Day
	September 26	- Homecoming/Fish Fry
	September 29	- Food to the Rescue

### Nursery Help Needed:

We are still looking for someone who can help in our church nursery on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. If you know of anyone who might be interested in the position, please contact Ron Thurman or Christian Smith. In the meantime, if you would be willing to volunteer your time to assist in this important role, please let Christian know.



	<h3>Food to the Rescue Packing Day</h3> <p><b>***Wed. Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30 pm***</b>  <i>(In place of Connection)</i>                  1227 N. Washington Ave. Suite 112                  Roots Salon is in the front; Food to the Rescue is in the back</p>
	<p>We need <b>25</b> volunteers for this project! There will be a variety of jobs available for all ages and physical abilities. Masks are optional. We hope you will be able to join us! <b>To Sign Up: Text/Call/Email Tracy Sparks at (931)261-1029 <a href="mailto:sparkstracy7@gmail.com">sparkstracy7@gmail.com</a></b></p> <p><b><u>****Sign up by: Monday, 9/20/21****</u></b></p> <p>Delivery drivers are needed! Sign up at: <a href="http://ow.ly/65Rs50zuDgw">http://ow.ly/65Rs50zuDgw</a></p>

### We Need Your Help!

Please consider taking the time to learn how to run the church video system. Our video streaming has allowed people to stay connected to the church, reconnect with the church, and find new connection with the church. Steve Boots and Bill Byers do a great job, but they could use a break on occasion. It is not difficult to run this system but would require some training. We would love to help you learn how to occasionally assist in our worship services. Please let Christian know if you are interested.



## **New Sunday School Class Available!**

College/Young Adult  
Sunday School



The Christian Education Ministry is happy to announce that there will now be a Sunday School class for College Students and Young Adults. The class will meet in the Upper Room classroom in the Upper Commons. Cindy Putz will be leading the class discussion using the Encounter Sunday School series. Please feel welcome to join us!

## **“SPREAD THE LOVE” CAMPAIGN**

During the month of September, the church will be participating in the “Spread the Love” campaign. We need 16oz jars of peanut butter for the beginning of the 2021/2022 school year. A collection bin is located just inside the Fellowship Hall doors.



Each week our services are broadcast online for those who are unable to join us in person. Our services are streamed live at 8:45am every Sunday. Those services remain online and can be watched at any time. There are two ways to view our service online:

Facebook- <http://www.facebook.com/cookevillecpc/>  
 YouTube- <https://www.youtube.com/c/CookevilleCPCChurch>

## **Coming Up in the CPWM**

- The annual CPWM Fall Retreat will take place ONLINE on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, in the FLC. The format will be a group viewing party (FLC) and we invite all ladies in the church to take part. More information will follow closer to time for the retreat.
- Cooking on the Square is scheduled for October 29<sup>th</sup>. More information will be forthcoming about activities associated with this event.
- The CPWM Christmas Extravaganza Sale will take place on Friday/Saturday, November 5/6, in the FLC. As you do your fall cleaning, lay aside those Christmas items that you no longer use/want.
- The Samaritan’s Purse Christmas Shoebox program will begin the first part of November with submission of boxes on November 15<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. Begin gathering your items for the boxes now.



## **Disaster Relief for Flood Victims**

The Waverly CP Church in Humphreys County is serving as a collection center for monetary donations to aid in recovery efforts due to massive flooding. Our church is now accepting monies to send to the Waverly church and we invite you to give as you are able. You may give online or drop a check by the church at any time.

## **Men’s Bible Study**

The Tuesday Noon Bible Study for men has resumed with Tim Fournet leading the discussions. We are meeting in the Family Life Center. Please plan to join us.



### Thank You



To my church family: There are not enough words to fully express our appreciation to you. The sympathy, love, support and prayers extended to our family during our loss was felt by each of us. Thank you so much. Frankie Dickerson & family

Thank you to our church family for the outpouring of cards, food, gift certificates and especially the love and prayers during my brother Johnny's illness and passing. We are so blessed to have such a caring and loving church family! Love and blessing, Evon Maggart & family

The family of Wilma Wright Diemer would like to thank the church family for the prayers, visits and delicious meal following her funeral service. Wilma loved her church and served however she could, without hesitation, as long as her health allowed. We greatly appreciate how our church family honored her through so many acts of kindness.

Join us during Connection on Wednesday evenings for a special Women's Bible Study. We meet in the Family Life Center following Connection dinner. Our study will be based on Pricilla Shirer's Discerning the Voice of God. We thank Jean Webb for leading this study. Contact Jean at (931)261-0305 if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you at Bible Study!



**HELPING HANDS OF PUTNAM COUNTY** is in need of some basic household/personal items for their pantry. We ask that you consider bringing any of the following items to aid in their community support efforts: powdered laundry detergent, shampoo, toothpaste and toilet paper. They would very much appreciate your assistance. Please drop your donations by the church office.

### **STEWARDSHIP REPORT for Sunday, September 12, 2021**

Commitments - \$9,475.00      Undesignated - \$1497.00      Other - \$569.00

Sunday's offering includes \$200.00 for community assistance, \$200.00 for the Waverly Flood Relief Fund, and \$169.00 for Connection meals.

Total Deposit - \$11,541.00

We invite you to take part in the various activities offered through our Wednesday evening Connection program. We start our activities with dinner at 5:15pm in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner is provided by Grade-A Catering and we ask that you let us know ahead of time if you plan to come. There are reservation cards in the narthex of the church, you can go to our church website or you can call Sandra in the church office to make your reservations. We need to know by Tuesday morning whether you and your family plan to eat. Cost for the meal is \$3.00 for children and \$4.00 for adults, not to exceed \$12.00 per household. Looking ahead - the meal for next Wednesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, will be salad, baked ziti, green beans and brownies.



There are children (6:00), youth (6:00) and adult (6:15) studies available. The Twisted Stitchers will meet in the Session Room at 6:00.

This semester's adult study will be led by Christian and will focus on "The Fruit of the Spirit". The women of the church are invited to attend a study of the book Discerning the Voice of God led by Jean Webb.



## Ministry in our Church

The Missions Ministry invites you to take a card or cards from the Fellowship Hall and prepare them for special occasions - prayer concerns/sympathy/birthdays/praises - while they are fresh on your minds. Take your card with you or leave it for the Missions/Outreach committee to address, stamp, and mail for you. This is a wonderful way to express care, concern and support for others in our church.



## Prayer Requests

Devonia McGee (hospice)	Those addicted to drugs/alcohol; their families
Georgia Hensley	Jimmy Stringer
The family of Harold Mayberry (Kristi Langford's	Bobby Wallace
The family of Larry Dalton father)	Kathy Hilton
The family of Mel Brown	Kathy Shanks
The family of Wilma Wright Diemer	Pat Brumfield
The family of Johnny Dunn (Evon Maggart's brother)	Ella Haynes
Kathy Wigtil (Brenda Johnson's sister-in-law)	Dorothy Nichols
Mike Scardina (Don & Ann Dyer's son - lung cancer)	Ramona Tilghman
Tim Fournet	Jim Lansford
Flood victims in Humphreys County	Levi Rector
Cindy Furcean (surgery)	Robert Buck
Don Sundquist (Blue Roof)	Clay Vanhooser
Joan Errick	Jim Dixon (cancer)
June Guzlas	Ginger Trevault (cancer treatment)
Holly & Andrew Lawrence (twins born at 26 weeks) -	Lynn Twitty (cancer)
Tyler Brown friends of Maggie Wharton)	Evelyn (Bonnie) Hyder (cancer)
Frankie Dickerson (home)	Becky Knight (cancer)
Wanda McCaskey (home)	Jeremy Germinis (cancer)
Connie Boots	Max Atnip (cancer)
Geraldine Dunn	Steven Middleton (cancer)
Bob Zolg	Charlene Huddleston (Cedar Hills)
Stanley Hawkins (Ann Wynne Hawkins' father-in-law);	Carol Burgess (Heritage Pointe)
Dan Sutherland (cancer, heart)	Ruth Sapp (Heritage Pointe)
Ron Hensley	Lynn Dunham (Signature Healthcare)
Joyce Keller (home)	Jo Gentry (Morningside)
Jerry Peek (Jeff's dad - leukemia)	Dave & Jackie Van der Cook (Morningside)
Don Anderson	Unnamed prayer requests
Louise Burton-Buck (James Maggart's aunt)	Those in the military and their families