

Mid-Week Manna

A Weekly Newsletter from the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

From Your Minister - Christian Smith

Wednesday,
October 27, 2021



I cannot begin to adequately express my gratitude for your expressions of appreciation. Like many people, I have difficulty accepting praise. However, I appreciate your cards, calls, handshakes, and kind words for me and my family. The last couple of years have not been easy. Caleb and I appreciate your patience and trust in us as we attempt to lead this congregation. My family and I love this church, this congregation, and this community. We appreciate the ways that you continue to make us feel at home and offer us your support.

Blessings, Christian

Christmas Extraganza

The CPWM ladies of the church are preparing for their 2021 Christmas Extraganza, to take place on November 5th and 6th. Any holiday item (in good condition) will be accepted on November 2, 3, 4 from 9am to 4pm in the Family Life Center. The sale will take place from 8-4 on Friday, the 5th, and from 8-2 on Saturday, the 6th. The CPWM would appreciate any help you could give in preparation for the sale and during the days of the sale.



Christmas Extraganza

All Saints Sunday Banner

On Sunday, November 7th, we will be celebrating All Saints Sunday as we remember those who have passed away over the last year. You are welcomed to add those names to our All Saints Banner. The banner will be located on the narthex credenza for the next two Sundays.



We have a special treat for you tonight! The church has put together a Trunk or Treat event for the children of the church and the community. Hot dogs, chili and fixings will be served, with activities starting at 5pm. You are welcome to come decorate your car and have candy/treats for those trick-or-treating. Come join us for the Halloween festivities!!!

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We thank Sandra Robbins and Judy Sullivan for their leadership in our music. We also want to thank Autum Winston and Sandra for leading us in special music. Finally, we thank Jodi Smith for her help with the church PowerPoint.

Worship Information

Sunday, October 31st, will be Reformation Sunday. The chancel color is red. The scripture for the sermon is Galatians 2:16-21. We hope that you will plan to join us at 8:45am or 11:00am as we celebrate the love of God for each of us.

Cooking on the Square



This year's annual Cooking on the Square takes place **THIS** Friday and we need your help in donating desserts. Desserts need to be one serving in size and placed in individual packets of saran wrap or small bags. **Donations need to be at the church no later than 10am on Thursday.** We would appreciate so much your willingness to help. Thank you!

Church Directory Photo Signups

On November 12 and 13 we will be taking photos for our new church directory. We invite everyone, regardless of membership status or time attending the church, to be a part of this project. To schedule your photography appointment online, simply go to www.ucdir.com, click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter **tn167** in the Church Code field and enter **photos** in the Church Password field. Follow the prompts to schedule your family's appointment time. If you have six or more in your family please use two consecutive time slots. The online scheduling option is available Monday through Friday. **Appointments fill up quickly, so schedule as soon as possible to secure your preferred date and time.**



Connection Resumes Next Week!



Regular Connection activities resume **NEXT** Wednesday evening with dinner at 5:15 (reservation required). To make a reservation, please complete a meal reservation card (in the narthex), reserve via our website or call us by Tuesday morning. Meals for children/youth are \$3.00 and adult cost is \$4.00; a household will pay no more than \$12.00 for the meal. On next week's menu is congealed strawberry/pretzel salad, creamy chicken and rice casserole, steamed broccoli, yeast rolls and yellow cake with chocolate frosting.

Children/Youth classes meet at 6:00pm as do the Twisted Stitchers. Adult classes meet at 6:15 with Christian presenting a study on "The Fruit of the Spirit" and Jean Webb presenting a women's study on Discerning the Voice of God. We hope you will join us for next week's Connection!

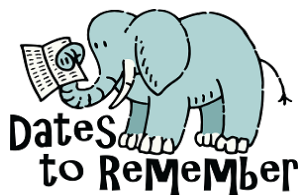
STEWARDSHIP REPORT for Sunday, October 24, 2021

Commitments - \$4,595.00 Undesignated - \$1,316.00 Other - \$236.00

There was \$50.00 given for altar flowers, \$136.00 for Connection meals and \$395.00 in memorials.

Total Deposit - \$6,147.00





- October 27 - Trunk or Treat - TONIGHT!!!
- October 31 - Reformation Sunday
- November 5/6 - CPWM Christmas Extravaganza
- November 7 - All Saints Sunday
- Also in November - Thanksgiving boxes
- Samaritan's Purse Christmas boxes

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.



Card Ministry

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.



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>

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.



Men's Bible Study

The men's weekly Tuesday Bible Study will not meet for the next couple of weeks. We will let you know when meetings are to resume.

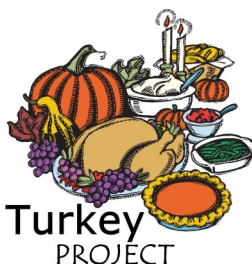


Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoeboxes



The time has come for you to take and fill Samaritan's Purse Christmas Child shoeboxes. Shoeboxes will be available this Sunday in the entranceway to the narthex. We have just a couple of weeks to fill and return them so pick yours up now! Information about filling, mailing costs and online purchases will be available to you on Sunday. We look forward to having you participate! If you have questions, contact Belinda Wynne at 931-979-7816.

YOUTH TURKEY PROJECT



The youth's annual Turkey Project collection begins this Sunday, October 31st. We need the following items for filling baskets. Please place your weekly food donations in the collection box (in the Fellowship Hall) by Sunday morning, November 21st.

October 31	Amen corner	<u>Green Beans</u>
October 31	Choir side	<u>Canned Corn</u>
November 7	Amen corner	<u>Stuffing</u>
November 7	Choir side	<u>Mac & Cheese</u>
November 14	Amen corner	<u>Mashed Potatoes</u>
November 14	Choir side	<u>Turkey Gravy</u>
November 21	Amen corner	<u>Cranberry Sauce</u>
November 21	Choir side	<u>Aluminum baking pans</u>

This youth project is an important service for those in the community that may not have the means to cook a special Thanksgiving meal. We hope you will give freely.

College Students/Young Adults!

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

College/Young Adult
Sunday School





Sympathy

The church extends its sympathy to the family of Jerry Peek, the father of Jeff Peek. Mr. Peek passed away on the 21st of October in Cookeville. A Celebration of Life was held on Saturday, October 23rd. Please remember Jeff and his family in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Prayer Requests

The family of Jerry Peek (Jeff's father)
 The family of Evelyn James
 The family of Stanley Hawkins (Ann Wynne Hawkins' father-in-law)
 Cindy Furcean (surgery)
 Georgia Hensley (home)
 Joyce Keller (Signature)
 Carter Apple (teen diagnosed with cancer)
 Mike Scardina (Don & Ann Dyer's son - lung cancer)
 Tim Fournet
 Flood victims in Humphreys County
 Don Sundquist (with family in Florida)
 Joan Errick
 June Guzlas
 Holly & Andrew Lawrence (premature birth of twins, one taken home; loss of the other)
 Tyler Brown
 Frankie Dickerson
 Wanda McCaskey (home)
 Connie Boots
 Geraldine Dunn
 Bob Zolg
 Dan Sutherland (cancer, heart)
 Ron Hensley
 Don Anderson
 Louise Burton-Buck (James Maggart's aunt)
 Those addicted to drugs/alcohol; their families
 Jimmy Stringer

Bobby Wallace
 Kathy Hilton
 Kathy Shanks
 Pat Brumfield
 Ella Haynes
 Dorothy Nichols
 Ramona Tilghman
 Jim Lansford
 Levi Rector
 Robert Buck
 Clay Vanhooser
 Jim Dixon (cancer)
 Ginger Trevault (cancer treatment)
 Lynn Twitty (cancer)
 Evelyn (Bonnie) Hyder (cancer)
 Becky Knight (cancer)
 Jeremy Germinis (cancer)
 Max Atnip (cancer)
 Steven Middleton (cancer)
 Charlene Huddleston (Cedar Hills)
 Carol Burgess (Heritage Pointe)
 Ruth Sapp (Heritage Pointe)
 Lynn Dunham (Signature Healthcare)
 Jo Gentry (Morningside)
 Dave & Jackie Van der Cook (Morningside)
 Unnamed prayer requests
 Those in the military and their families

