Mid-Week Manna

A Weekly Newsletter from the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

From Your Minister - Christian Smith

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

"Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many." - 1 Corinthians 12:12-14



This past Sunday, during our 11:00am worship service, we had the opportunity to welcome Beverly Halfacre as the newest member of Cookeville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church. When you see her, be sure to tell her how excited you are to have her as a member of our church family.

We love when people make a commitment to this congregation and to the kingdom of God. If you have not joined the church, I would love to talk to you about that opportunity when it is most convenient for you.

One-Service Sunday and Lunch

We will be having just one service this Sunday, April 30th. Sunday School will start at 9:00am with worship following at 10:00. This is a wonderful opportunity for the congregations from our 8:45 and 11:00 services to meet and fellowship together. We will recess to the Fellowship Hall to share a meal immediately after the worship service. The church will be providing meat, bread and drinks; we ask that you provide sides and desserts. We look forward to worshiping and fellowshipping together as a church family.



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Sunday Worship Information

Sunday, April 30th, will be the Fourth Sunday of Easter. The chancel color is white. Rev. Dr. Charles McCaskey will be preaching the sermon. We hope that you will plan to join us at 10:00am when we will worship God together as a united church family.



Shareholders Dinner

If you have not already done so, please RSVP if you plan to attend the Pittsburgh Mission Trip Shareholders Dinner at 6:30pm on Sunday, May 7th. You may contact Caleb (caleb@cookevillecpchurch.org) or Sandra in the church office. Please let us know ASAP of your plans to attend. We look forward to hearing from you!

Handbells 101



If you have an interest in joining the handbell choir but have no experience in reading music or playing handbells, you are in luck! Our Handbell Director, Lynn England, has an extensive background in music education and lots of experience and patience to go with it. He is offering a class for beginners on Wednesdays at 5pm in the Pathfinders Sunday School classroom. You can enter downstairs at the back of the church building. Questions may be directed to Lynn at 931-743-2245 or lynnwengland@yahoo.com. Anyone interested in ringing bells is invited to attend! Just show up!



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Seeking Greeters for Sunday School Hour

Greeters

We invite you to become a part of the greeter team at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church! As a greeter, you would be available, during the Sunday School hour, to welcome any newcomers to our church and show them the way to a Sunday School class. Depending on the number of greeters we have, you would need to serve once

every four to six weeks. If this is something you would be willing to do to help serve the church, contact Sandra in the church office. There is also a signup sheet in the narthex of the church.

Priority House, one of our mission outreach programs, is in need of twin size sheets and blankets. There is a collection bin located between the pastors' offices if you are able to provide new or gently-used sheets and blankets during the month of April. If you would like to donate any of these items but are having trouble getting to a store to purchase them, you can donate to our church offering with



Priority House in the memo line. We will purchase the item(s) for you. For the men who are living at Priority House these two simple items are the start of a new life.

CALLING ALL HANDBELL ALUMNI!



Are you a former "Handbell Ringer"? If so, we would love to have you return and ring with us. We are planning on a Kickoff/Welcome Back Luncheon on August 12th at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall for new and returning ringers. Afterwards, we will get organized and plan for the coming church year. Our first rehearsal will be August 17th at 6:30pm (beginners at 5:30). We hope you will be able to join us for all events. Please let Lynn England (lynnwengland@yahoo.com or 931-743-2245) or Sandra Robbins know that you would like to attend and if you would prefer to play certain bells.

Mastersingers of Cookeville will be presenting the Tennessee Premier of ILLUMINARE featuring additional music by Elaine Hagenberg. The composer will be in attendance for this premier. The concert will take place in the Wattenbarger Auditorium on the TTU



campus on Sunday, April 30th, at 3pm. You may acquire tickets at Mastersingsinc.com or contact Brenda Johnson at 529-9285 for more information. Put this date on your calendar!

This Week In the Church

Wednesday10:00amCPNS devotionSunday12:15pmSanctuary Choir rehearsal5:00pmBeginner Handbells6:00pmKatie Ory Ordination

6:00pm Youth activities Tuesday 8:30am Coffee & Conversation

Thursday 8:30am Coffee & Conversation (online) (online)

Sunday 9:00am Sunday School 1:00pm Community Assistance

10:00am Worship Service 11:00am Church Lunch



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Communion Preparation Opportunity



We are looking for families to assist in the church by preparing elements for communion on the first Sunday of the month. This would entail coming in on the Saturday prior to Communion Sunday to fill the communion trays with cups/juice and bread. These are placed on the sanctuary table for use in Sunday's services. A letter explaining the process will be sent to you the week for which you are to prepare communion and it will outline all the duties associated with preparation. There is a signup sheet on the table in the narthex or you

may go to the following link to sign up for communion prep:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/13Mimf7y4LfkeXrrS0PcnhrsrLt4xRAjZTYf3mt4GK60/edit#gid=0

We have several Sundays left unfilled at this time and would appreciate your consideration in taking on this role for the church. Please call Sandra in the church office if you have any questions - 931-526-6585.



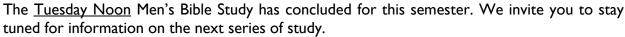
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Thanks from the CPWM

The Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry Executive Board wishes to extend sincerest thanks to all those who made the FCPC hosting of the Regional Women's meeting a success. We had help from so many of you and with your help, every aspect of the registration process, meetings, a wonderful lunch, and time of fellowship was met with much appreciation from all present.

Men's Bible Study





STEWARDSHIP REPORT for Sunday, April 23, 2023

Commitments - \$5,925.00 Undesignated - \$1,631.40 Other - \$200.00 This week's offering includes a \$200.00 donation from PEO for use of the FLC.

Total Deposit - \$7,756.40

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY

Please join us for our Coffee and Conversation Bible Study Series. These studies take place on Facebook at 8:30am on Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you cannot join us live, you are welcome to watch them any time. For this study, Christian is leading us through the book of Acts.





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/CookevilleCPChurch

Love Joy Circle Continues to Collect "Hope Scarves"

The mission of **Hope Scarves** is to share scarves, stories & hope with women facing cancer. In order to meet the increasing interest in Hope Scarves we need to collect many scarves and stories to fulfill the requests. Ideally each scarf comes with a story from someone who has faced cancer. However, we have many stories donated that do not have scarves so we pair a donated community scarf with that story to begin its journey as a Hope Scarf. Scarf & Story drives are an important part of our ability to fulfill our mission. Please bring your unused scarves by the church office or see Nancy Miller with your donations.



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Joy Club Outing

On Tuesday, June 6th, the Joy Club will be enjoying a picnic lunch in Monterey at the Fournet House. We will take the bus so 13 can ride. You are welcome to drive up or carpool. Meet at the church at 11:15am. Bring a \$10 gift (or a hand-me-down gift) for a white elephant swap. Lunch will be provided.



The address is 310 West Cleveland Ave. Monterey, TN 38574 . There are a few steps (3) to be negotiated. If there is need of a wheelchair ramp, we will try to accommodate. Lunch will be served indoors but you can choose to eat inside or out. We should be back to the church around 2:30.

Please RSVP for the trip using the following link:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EA5AA28A4FDC25-joyclub1

Song Requests



There are cards available in the pews for you to note those songs you would like to have included in the church services here at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church. These songs do not have to be limited to those in our hymnal, but can be old-time gospel hymns or contemporary songs performed on the Christian music scene. Please let us know what your hymn/song preferences are and we will work to incorporate those into worship.

Individuals: Wanda McCaskey (broken hip - CRMC); Ella Haynes (Bailey Manor); Liz Fournet (hip replacement on May I); Patti Atnip (hip surgery - home); Dorothy Nichols; Jeff Comer (brain tumor); Georgia Hensley (CRMC); Amelia Kate Moore (premature daughter of Liz & Ryan Moore); Ron Hensley (Blue Roof); Rand & Allison McDonald; lames Lacy (Signature Healthcare); Dan Verble; Reagan Bacgi (tumor); Jim Baggett (surgery); Joe Herman (heart bypass surgery); Ramona Tilghman (broken hip); Kathy



Hilton (broken ankle); Jim Gray, Sr.; Kim Daniels (cancer); Jewel Cannon; Cody Liddle (boating accident); Amy Baggett; Sherrie Smith; Pete & Regina Weber; Don Holloway; Cindy Furcean.

Cancer Treatment: Ginger Tevault (Julie Stepp's mother - chemo); Susie Hyder (Evelyn's daughter breast cancer; brain tumor surgery); Steven Middleton; Kendall Fogleman (3-yr-old with leukemia - Christy Huddleston's great-niece).

Assisted Living: Lynn Dunham (Signature Healthcare): Jo Gentry (Charter Senior Living); June Guzlas (Bailey Manor); Ruth Sapp (Heritage Pointe); Dave & Jackie Van der Cook (Charter Senior Living).