



Mid-Week Manna

A Weekly Newsletter from the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

*Wednesday,
June 8, 2022*

From Your Minister - Christian Smith

This past Sunday we celebrated Pentecost. Many of you wore your red clothes as we remembered the gift of the Holy Spirit. We remembered the day that the Spirit was poured out on the gathered disciples. We got to celebrate the day that most consider to be the birthday of the universal church. I always love when we gather to celebrate these special days in the life of the church. It is always fun and meaningful. But, after all of those days, we tend to return to normal very quickly.

After all that we have experienced over the last few years, most of us have wondered when we might have normalcy again. Many have longed for things to seem normal again. However, when we have received the gift of the Holy Spirit, things can never be normal again. In Acts 2, immediately following the arrival of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, we read that “all who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.” That is certainly not normal.

With the gift of the Holy Spirit, we never again have to settle for the societies definition of what is “usual.” With the gift of a Spirit-led united church that seeks to truly love one another, we can strive for a new normal that seeks to lift up people and make life better for all.

Circles to Meet

The **Love-Joy Circle** will meet on Monday, June 13th, at 10am in the Session Room. We will have an abbreviated business meeting and then enjoy lunch together at Logan’s. All ladies are urged to bring items for the Samaritan’s shoebox ministry. We invite all ladies of the Church to join us.

The **Sonshine Circle** will meet on June 14th at 11am at Cheddars restaurant. Lindsey with **This Is Living Ministries** will be present to share an update on the program. All members are encouraged to attend.



Summer is here and that means it is time for summer church camps and Vacation Bible School! If you have a child who is interested in one of these activities, contact Caleb immediately for more information. Following are dates for our various activities.

CPYC - June 26-July 1

Jr. High Camp - June 12-17

VBS - July 12-15

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Sunday Worship Information

Sunday, June 12th, will be Trinity Sunday. The chancel color is white. The scripture for the sermon is Romans 5:1-5. We hope that you will plan to join us at 8:45 or 11:00am as we worship the Triune God.

New Member Classes for All Ages

We are now offering a class for those who may be interested in becoming members of Cookeville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church or who are interested in knowing more about this church and this denomination. Rev. Christian Smith leads the class with a focus on the history, government, and beliefs of our church. The class takes place during the Sunday School hour, and anyone is invited to attend. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Christian.

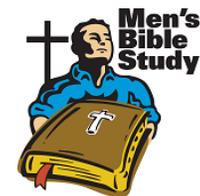


Card Ministry

The Missions Ministry invites you to take a card or cards from the narthex and prepare them for special occasions - prayer concerns/sympathy/birthdays/praises. 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.

Men's Bible Study

Our Men's Bible Study will be taking a break during month of June. We will return on July 5th to begin a study of the book of Daniel. This will be a great opportunity to examine the prophecies about the end-times and prepare us for a study on the book of Revelation. We will use "Daniel: A 12-Week Study" by Todd Wilson as our guide for study. As always, all men of the church are welcomed to join the discussion.



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>

STEWARDSHIP REPORT for Sunday, June 5, 2022

Commitments - \$8,380.00 Undesignated - \$4,463.00 Other - \$250.00
 \$250.00 was donated toward the Tuesday assistance program.
 Total Deposit - \$13,093.00

Seeking Church Volunteers

We invite you to share their knowledge, talents, and time with the church. The following link leads to a survey that offers you the chance to share with us how you might like to serve and help us worship together. The link is (<https://forms.gle/ryVjDiGQLRLcGVXi9>). Take a moment to check it out.





The church expresses condolences to the family of Paul Stephenson, Anita Stephenson's husband. Mr. Stephenson passed away on Monday of this week. A Celebration of Life will be held at 3pm at the Crestlawn Funeral Home this Sunday, June 12th. Visitation will precede the service, from 1-3pm. Please keep Anita and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

Our sympathy is expressed to the family of Beatrice Cole, Janice Gentry's mother. Mrs. Cole passed away on May 26th in Cookeville. Please remember Janice and her family in your thoughts and prayers.



Dear Church Family,

Don and I want to thank each of you for your prayers, calls, visits and all the wonderful food that has been prepared for us. We very much appreciate your support and encouragement during this time. We love you!

Don and Jan Holloway

Sunday's altar flowers were placed to the glory of God and in memory of Sue Myracle by Bob Myracle.



Prayer Requests

Individuals: the family of Paul Stephenson (Anita's husband); Ron Churette (Tracy Sparks' uncle - surgery); the family of Beatrice Cole (Janice Gentry's mother); Ed Fowler (heart); Zach & Jenny Fowler (moving to TX); Carol Burgess (NHC); Don Holloway (home); Wayne Sullivan (Teresa Smith's father - recovering from Covid); Cindy Furcean.

Cancer Treatment: Carter Apple; Lynn Twitty; Evelyn Hyder; Susie Hyder (Evelyn's daughter - breast cancer); Max Atnip; Steven Middleton.

PRAYER CARDS

The Mission ministry has placed "prayer postcards" in the sanctuary pews. Please feel free to fill out a postcard for someone in need of prayer. Drop it in the offering plate and we will address and mail it for you!

