



Mid-Week Manna

A Weekly Newsletter from the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

From Your Minister - Christian Smith

*Wednesday,
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I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. – Romans 12:1

For most of our students, today is the last full day of the school year. By the end of the week, our teachers will have completed the school year as well. This weekend, we also will celebrate Memorial Day. I hope we will all take time to remember and appreciate those who sacrificed their lives in service to our country.



The end of the school year marks the unofficial beginning of summer. With the arrival of summer, many of you will be traveling for vacation, sports, or business. Others will spend weekends on the water. Traditionally, as we begin vacation and church camp season, our Sunday morning crowds get a little smaller. Obviously, as the pastor, I feel obligated to point out the importance of corporate worship and urge you, whether you are in Cookeville or not, to seek out a place to join with others in celebration of God's goodness.

However, regardless of the season, it is important to remember that the best way to show our appreciation for God's goodness is to follow the instructions of the Messiah who God sent to us. Throughout Christ's ministry, he sought to display and teach service and love for others. If we want to truly thank God for all of that we have been given, then we need to serve others. As the scripture above says, that is our "spiritual worship."

Have a great summer by seeking to spend it worshiping inside and outside of the church building.

Sunday Worship Information

Sunday, May 26th, will be Trinity Sunday. The chancel color will be white. The scripture for the sermon will be John 3:1-8. We hope that you will plan to join us at 8:45am or 11:00am as we worship God. The 8:45am service will be streamed via our YouTube channel.

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**The church office will be closed on Monday, May 27th,
in observance of Memorial Day.**



Twisted Stitches Meet Tonight



We invite you, if you are wanting to learn to knit or crochet, to meet us in the Session Room of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church this evening at 6pm. If you are a frequent shopper at Hobby Lobby, we ask that you pick up cotton yarn to donate for community projects. We hope to see you this evening!

For Our Visitors AND Members

We are excited to have the opportunity to worship with you on Sundays. If you are visiting with us or are currently attending our church, please take a moment to scan the QR code to the right and help us to get to know you and how we can better serve you. You may also use this form to share prayer concerns, praise reports, or other requests with your pastors.





JOY CLUB LUNCH

OUR JOY CLUB ENJOYED A
GREAT LUNCH AND TIME OF
FELLOWSHIP IN MONTEREY.
WE WANT TO THANK TIM
AND ELIZABETH FOURNET
FOR THEIR WONDERFUL
HOSPITALITY.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT for Sunday, May 19, 2024

Commitments - \$11,655.00 Undesignated - \$1,584.00 Other - \$350.00

This week's offering includes \$50.00 for flowers and a \$300.00 donation for facility usage.

Total Deposit - \$13,589.00

New Smartphone App

For our smartphone users, we have developed a church app for First Cumberland Presbyterian Church. While we are still learning to use all of its features, I hope you will consider downloading it and using the tools you will find there. It can be downloaded using the QR code at the right. If you need help, please feel free to see one of the ministers of the church.



YARD SALE

Cumberland Presbyterian Nursery School would like to invite you to join us for our summer time fundraising yard sale June 1st from 9am-12pm.

We are selling parking spots for \$25 a piece. You are welcome to buy as many spots as you'd like to clear out your house, garage, etc and help support our school.

Please feel free to come see Mrs. Madison or Mrs. Ashlyn in the office to pay for your parking spot/spots by May 29th

If weather does not pan out in our favor we do plan on rescheduling the yard sale for a later date.



The church congregation expresses sympathy to the family of Mrs. Ginger Tevault, Julie Stepp Howard's mother. Mrs. Tevault passed away on Tuesday evening of last week. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Please keep Julie, Stelmo and the family in your thoughts and prayers.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Barbara Butcher. Barbara passed away early yesterday morning, Arrangements for services are not yet complete. Please remember Kenny and the other children in your thoughts and prayers.



Sunday's altar flowers were placed to the glory of God and in celebration of Willene Gentry's 92nd birthday by her loving family.

Men's Bible Study

The Tuesday Noon Men's Bible Study continues in the Session Room of the church. Tim Fournet is leading a discussion on Warren Wiersbe's book on Proverbs. Bring your lunch if you would like, and join us for study and fellowship!!! All men in the church are invited to attend.



Wanted: Pictures



We would love to have you snap pictures of various groups and special events - just candid shots of church events for use in the Mid-Week Manna, website and Facebook page. These pics don't have to be professional grade - just snap them with your phone or camera and send them to Christian or Caleb!

Individuals: the family of Ginger Tevault (Julie Stepp Howard's mother); the family of Barbara Butcher; Drue Ann Huddleston; Bill Grogan (back surgery); Don Haynes; Tommy Payne (Robbie Huddleston's brother - open heart surgery); Anthony Manis (Kathy Hilton's nephew); Margaret Merrill (Evelyn Hyder's sister - pancreatic cancer); Ginny Liebsch; Carrie Brown (broken leg); Greg Hensley (Georgia's son); Leona Bryant (Steve's mother); Christopher Tollett (colon cancer); Georgia Hensley; Jimmy & Linda Stringer; Ramona Tilghman (Lifecare in Sparta); Dick & Pat Brumfield; Sherrie Smith; Cindy Furcean.

Cancer Treatment: Wayne Shanks; Niki Work; Heidi Blessing; Kim Daniels; Ginger Tevault (Julie Stepp's mother - chemo); Susie Hyder (Evelyn's daughter - breast cancer).

Assisted Living: Jo Gentry (Charter Senior Living); Ruth Sapp (Heritage Pointe); Dave & Jackie Van der Cook (Charter Senior Living); Bob Zolg (Heritage Pointe).

