



Mid-Week Manna

A Weekly Newsletter from the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

*Wednesday,
August 7, 2024*

From Your Minister - Christian Smith

***I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy
in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel
from the first day until now. – Philippians 1:3-5***

Over the last few weeks, I have received the same comment several times. “I bet you are really busy now, aren’t you?” Since Caleb has left, I have found that my responsibilities have increased. However, the concern about my workload is not the only comment that I have received over the last several weeks. On several occasions, I have also heard, “How can I help?”

Since Caleb announced his decision to leave Cookeville, we have had people volunteer to teach the youth Sunday School class. We have had someone decide to lead our youth group on Sundays and Wednesdays. We had someone offer to take the lead on our Vacation Bible School. We have had various members who have been willing to serve as liturgists.

There are only a couple of us who work at the church full-time. However, numerous people give their full selves to the church. We strive to show our appreciation for those who serve God in this place. However, there is no way for us to do that, because there are so many who do things we never see. We are called to serve and to make a difference for the kingdom of God and not for recognition. However, when we have the chance, we ought to thank those who make a difference. So, to all of those who sacrifice their time and energy for their community and their church family, please know that your work is appreciated. Thank you for all that you do for the Kingdom of God.

Liturgist Sign-up

We would love to include your voice in worship. People of all ages are invited to help lead us in worship as our liturgist. Christian will provide you with instructions, liturgy, and, if you wish, the opening prayer early in the week. Please take a moment and sign up at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4EA5AA28A4FDC25-50583122-liturgist>

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Sunday Worship Information

Sunday, August 11th, will be the 12th Sunday after Pentecost. The chancel color will be green. The scripture for the sermon will be 2 Samuel 18:5-9,15,31-33. We hope that you will plan to join us at 8:45 or 11:00am as we worship God together. If you are unable to join us in person, our 8:45 service will be streamed via our YouTube channel.



You are cordially invited to attend a bridal shower celebrating the upcoming marriage of Dylan Sparks (son of Chuck and Tracy) and Molly Heard on Saturday, August 17th, from 2pm to 4pm. The shower will be held in the Family Life Center. Dylan and Molly are registered at www.theknot.com.



We want to thank these members of Boy Scout Troop 20 who helped out the church by mulching the prayer garden.





GAME NIGHT

*LET'S BEGIN THE FALL SEMESTER OF
WEDNESDAY CONNECTION WITH
SOME FUN, FOOD, AND GAMES!*

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

GAMES AT 6:00PM

DINNER AT 5:15PM



Recovery Kitchen



Recovery Kitchen is a program that helps provide hot meals for the homeless in our community. We have most of the items we need for this meal. If you are making a food donation, please have items to the church by NOON on Friday, August 9th.

We still have a couple of items we are purchasing. If you would like to donate money for these or future items, it can be given to Alice Peek, or to Sandra in the office. Thank you for your giving hearts and generous donations!



THANK YOU

SIMON PRESLEY FOR DOING A GREAT JOB
WHILE CARING FOR OUR PRAYER GARDEN
THIS SUMMER



The First Cumberland Presbyterian Church
SANCTUARY CHOIR

is seeking new members and welcomes **YOU!**

Prior musical training, while helpful, is not
 required to be a member of the Choir.

Join us **THIS SUNDAY** at 5:30pm in the Choir Loft.

Contact Sandra Robbins with interest/questions!
 931-526-6585 or 931-284-6934

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 left. If you need help, please feel free to see one of the ministers of the church.

For Our Visitors AND Members

We are always excited to have the opportunity to worship with you on Sundays. Whether 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.



STEWARDSHIP REPORT for Sunday, August 4, 2024

Commitments - \$13,095.00 Undesignated - \$3,873.00 Other - \$445.00

This week's offerings includes \$250.00 for the Tuesday Assistance program
 and a \$195.00 accounting reimbursement from CPNS.

Total Deposit - \$17,413.00



Sunday's altar flowers were placed to the glory of God and in loving memory and in celebration of your heavenly birthday for YeeYee from your loving family.

Men's Tuesday Bible Study

The **Tuesday Noon** Men's Bible Study has begun meeting again. Tim Fournet is leading a study on the book of Matthew. Bring your lunch and enjoy learning and fellowshiping with others in the church. We look forward to seeing you then!

Wanted: Pictures

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



Twisted Stitches Knitting/Crochet Ministry

This evening, the Twisted Stitches invite you to join them in the Session Room of the church to knit/crochet items for the community. You may be a beginner or experienced in the art; all are welcomed. We will be meeting at 6:00pm.

Prayer Requests

Individuals: Lois Squires (home); Evelyn (Bonnie) Hyder; Margaret Merrill (Evelyn Hyder's sister - pancreatic cancer); Leigh Vincent (Jane Randolph's sister-in-law); Martha Clift (home in GA); Sherry Lassiter (transplant list); Ginny Liebsch; Georgia Hensley; Jimmy & Linda Stringer; Ramona Tilghman (Lifecare in Sparta); Dick & Pat Brumfield; Sherrie Smith; Cindy Furcan.

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

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

