

The Cumberlander

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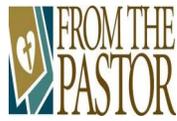
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Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

June 22, 2021



The following is what I share with the father's (biological, step, adoptive, and foster) present last Sunday: "A frustrated father was heard to quip, 'By the time a man is old enough to recognize that his father was right, he has a son who thinks he is wrong.' Well it is Father's Day again, which means that it is time to honor that man we used to think was so wrong until we grew up and he suddenly got smart. To be a Christian father is a high-calling, a monumental task. According to God's plan, being a father is more than making babies and bringing home a paycheck; it is more than carrying out the trash and doing yard work. Fathers are accountable to God for the way in which they lead their family. There is no greater legacy we can leave our children than to be a God-fearing head of the household. Speaking through the Apostle Paul, in **Ephesians 6:4**, God sums up your responsibility this way: 'Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger by the way you treat them. Rather, bring them up with the discipline and instruction that comes from the Lord.' [NLT]" Again, I want to thank our dads for being godly fathers.

The 190th General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and Women's Ministry Convention will be held next week, June 27th through July 2nd, in Louisville, Kentucky. I will be attending as the representative of our denominational Ministry Council. My official duties do not begin until Monday afternoon, so I will be here Sunday morning to preach and will leave for Louisville early Monday morning; this means that *The Cumberlander* will not be published and distributed next week. As always, if you need me, I can be reach via cellphone (205-533-2001) or email (PastorMike@KFCPC.comcastbiz.net). I will return all messages as soon as possible.

Learning the unforced rhythms of grace,

Pastor Mike

Special Guests

It was great having **Rev. Dale and Linda Austin**, friends of Ann Bachman; **Eric and Jamie Bachman**, son and daughter-in-law of Ann Bachman; **Mindy and Gene Landry**, daughter and son-in-law of Jewell Kerr; **Amy and Brooks Pritchard**, daughter and grandson of Dianne and Larry Fielder; and **Pamella and Don Smiddy**, daughter and son-in-law of Sallie Cox; all worshipping with us last Sunday.

Women of Joy Conference

Emily DeLozier and Joanna Wilkinson would like to invite all the women of the church and your female friends to the **Women of Joy Conference**, October 8th-10th, in Pigeon Forge. Cost for the conference is \$109.00 per person, or \$99.00 each for groups of 10 or more **IF** reserved before July 14th. After July 14th, the price will increase to \$119.00 per person or \$109.00 each for groups of 10 or more. Cost of lodging will vary depending on preference of two or four roommates. If interested or for more information contact Emily (865-256-5403) or Joanna (205-533-2002).

School Supplies Collection

We will be collecting school supplies for the **Coalition of Appalachian Ministries (CAM)** this Summer, through the month of August. There will be a box in the Narthex to put the supplies in. Thanks for your support in helping the children get ready for school. CAM distributes these supplies in several southeastern/Appalachian states.

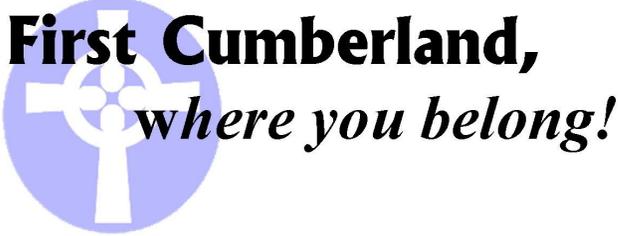
Mask Policy

In keeping with the current CDC recommendations, if you are an adult and have been fully vaccinated—had the necessary shot(s) more than two weeks ago—you are free to not wear a mask while at the church. Children are also free not to wear a mask. If you are more comfortable wearing a mask while at church, you are free to do so.

Church Website

Our website (www.first-cumberland.org) includes a secure "Donate" tab. Donations can now be designated to one of four options: 1) Contribution (general church expenses); 2) Music; 3) Youth; or 4) Memorial. There is a small transaction fee (2.9% plus \$0.30) for all online donations; the giver has the option of covering that fee when making a gift to the church.

*For the glory of God, Knoxville First Cumberland Presbyterian Church exists to **worship** Christ, **evangelize** the lost, **love** one another and our neighbor, and **learn** more about our God.*



Happy Birthday

June 22nd – 28th

22nd – Kari Summers Vogel
23rd – Rebecca Prenshaw



Our Faithfulness for June 13th

Sunday School	40
Worship Service	75
Offering	\$6,095.00

June 22nd – 28th

Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Choir Practice
 Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal
 10:45 a.m. Worship Service

(See our website for complete calendar listings)

Among Our People

Bonnie Bridges had surgery on Monday, June 21st; she is doing well and scheduled to go home on Tuesday, June 22nd. ~ **Sallie Cox** has returned from Murfreesboro and was at church last Sunday; she is still undergoing outpatient physical therapy on her knee. ~ **Dianne Fielder** had a second cataract surgery on Monday, June 21st; she is doing well. ~ **Larry Fielder** is in Omaha, Nebraska, for the College Baseball World Series. ~ **Judy Gammon** is doing well following oral surgery last Tuesday, June 15th. ~ **John Givens**, father of Crissy Collins, is still undergoing chemotherapy for multiple myeloma. ~ **Steve McCurry** continues to struggle with the lasting effects of a stroke. ~ **Alice Montgomery** has been in the hospital for several days; she will be transferred to NHC Fort Sanders for physical therapy sometime early this week. ~ **Reed Saxton** fell on a hot metal grate and severely burned his hands. ~ After meeting with the surgeon, **Tom Walker** will not have knee surgery as originally thought; instead, he will undergo outpatient physical therapy.

Friendship Club, P.M. Edition

Change of Date: Due to Pastor Mike attending General Assembly, the **Friendship Club, P.M. Edition** will not gather for a Dutch-treat dinner on Thursday, July 1st, as originally planned, but will instead gather on Thursday, July 8th, at the **Olive Garden Italian Restaurant** (7206 Kingston Pike), at 6:30 p.m. These social gatherings are for anyone who wishes to attend; feel free to invite someone to join you. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board near the Church Office.

Friendship Club

The **Friendship Club** will gather for a Dutch-treat lunch Wednesday, July 21st, at **The Chop House** (9700 Kingston Pike, in Franklin Square), at 11:00 a.m. These social gatherings are for anyone who wishes to attend; feel free to invite someone to join you. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board near the Church Office.



Prayer List

In the Hospital

Alice Montgomery @ Tennova North Medical Center

Prayer Concerns List

Pam Bogle (friend of Amanda Roberts); Becky Bonds (friend of Dianne Fielder); Dick Booher; Eleanor Bradshaw (sister-in-law of Dianne Fielder); **Bonnie Bridges**; Joan Broughton (aunt of Kim Halbert); Cooper Browning (cousin of Hannah Haddox and Amanda Roberts); Corey Burnette (friend of Amanda Roberts); Fred and Joan Cline; Sallie Cox; Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries; Jimmie Lynn DeLozier, mother of Tom DeLozier; Rue Dougherty; Ely Driver (friend of Dianne Fielder); Mason Fannin (great-nephew of Judy Gwilliams); Charles Farley (friend of Rose Wilkinson); Dianne Fielder; Grace Flory (mother-in-law of Tom Witmer); Judy Gammon; John Givens (father of Crissy Collins); Helen Hayes (cousin of Jin Gaston); Rodney Holloman (pastor-friend of Pastor Mike); Whitley Johnson (friend of Amanda Roberts); Kimberly Jones (friend of Amanda Roberts); Joe and Van Kemp (relatives of Dianne Fielder); Andrea Knight (friend of Dianne Fielder); Ashleigh Lane (co-worker Susan Edwards); Bob Lawson (pastor-friend of Pastor Mike); Barbara and Gene McCammon; Steve McCurry; Ruth McNabb (mother of Tammy Eblen); Vickie Miller (friend of Emily DeLozier); Alice Montgomery; Amy Beth Davidson Morgan; Jackie Morris (cousin of Shelia Emory); persecuted Christians around the world; Sara Paul (friend of Rose Wilkinson); Plan of Union between the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America; Anna Faye Presley (friend of Rose Wilkinson); Justin Rech; Christopher Reed (great-nephew of Jin Gaston); Maggie Rickards (daughter of Jeannine Rickards); Lori Roark (sister of Kim McCurry); **Reed Saxton**; Michael Schwartz (friend of Susan Edwards); Carol Seeman; Donna Snoderly (sister-in-law of Betty Hammill); John Snoderly, Jr. (nephew of Betty Hammill); Sydney Snoderly (great-niece of Betty Hammill); Donna Stallions (sister-in-law of Jewel Stallions); Millard and Janet Summers (parents of Steve Summers); Margie Thompson (sister-in-law of Shelia Emory); the racial strife in our nation and the need for justice; those affected by coronavirus; Unspoken Requests; Tom Walker; Carl Ware (father of Sam Ware); Lee Wells (mother of a co-worker of Susan Edwards); Andrea Wilson (daughter of Harry Sherrod); Tom Witmer

Please keep the Church Office informed of any needed changes to our Prayer Concerns List.

"I call upon you, O LORD; come quickly to me; give ear to my voice when I call to you. Let my prayer be counted as incense before you, and the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice." [Psalm 141:1-2, NRSV]

