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Weekly Newsletter

"Loving God, Loving People"

FROM THE I hope that those in attendance last Sunday enjoyed hearing our Choir sing for the first time in more than a year. I know that each Choir member was excited for the opportunity to sing Worship Service, this coming Sunday, April 4th, will begin at 10:30 a.m. This early start is to accommodate our Choir presenting a few pieces of special music and the observance of both the Sacraments of Holy Communion and Baptism.

Learning the unforced rhythms of grace,

Pastor Mike

Holy Week Activities

Maundy Thursday - April 1^{st} - 6:30 p.m. - Worship Service with Communion **Good Friday** - April 2^{nd} - 12:00 noon - Community Good Friday Service at Sacred Heart Cathedral Egg Hunt - April 3rd - 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon - outdoor only

Easter Sunday - April 4th - 10:30 a.m. - Worship Service with Communion - note that this service will start

fifteen (15) minutes earlier than usual

Egg Hunt

This year's Egg Hunt will be this coming Saturday, April 3rd, from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. This will be an outdoor only event; in case of inclement weather, the hunt will be canceled; an email will be sent out no later than 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. No indoor activities or luncheon will be part of this year's event; however, we will play outdoor games and have a prepackaged snack bag for each child. Masks will be required for all adults and children over the age of twelve.

West Knoxville FISH Food Pantry

As usual, April is our month to work at the West Knoxville FISH Food Pantry. I want to thank the workers who showed up last Tuesday (March 23rd) to unload 448 cartons of food into the pantry: Mike Wilkinson, Phil Bridges, Larry Fielder, Bill Halbert, Tom and Donna Walker, plus two volunteers from Church of the Savior. We will have two opportunities to bag groceries: one this coming Saturday morning, August 3rd, and the other the following Saturday, August 10th; both bagging sessions begin at 9:00 a.m. Masks are required. The bagging session this coming Saturday will be completed before the Egg Hunt begins. For additional information, feel free to contact me.—Betty Hammill

Wedding Invitation

together with their families

Jessica Kope Walker AND Percy Lansdan Jenkins III

request your presence at their wedding

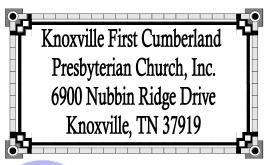
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reception immediately following For more details, please visit: zola.com/wedding/jessicaandpercy

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.



First Cumberland,

where you belong!





Happy Birthday

March 30th — April 5th

31st – Reed Saxton

2nd – James O'Neal

5th – Elijah O'Neal

Our Faithfulness for March 28th

Worship Service	57
Offering	\$3,110.00
Youth Fund	\$600.00
Lilies	\$150.00
Music Fund	\$150.00
Building Reimbursement	\$250.00

March 30th — April 5th

Thursday:	6:30 p.m.	Maundy Thursday Service
Friday:	12:00 noon	Community Service
Saturday:	9:00 a.m.	FISH Bagging Session

11:00 a.m. Egg Hunt 9:15 a.m. Choir Practice

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Easter Worship Service

(See our website for complete calendar listings)

Among Our People

Tuesday, March 30th, would have been Mildred Acuff's ninety-sixth birthday. ~ Sallie Cox has severe laryngitis and is under doctor's orders not to talk for at least another week. ~ It was great having Maxine, Chris, Justin, and Patrick Curtis and Elaine Winter back worshiping with us last Sunday. ~ John Givens, father of Crissy Collins, is still undergoing chemotherapy for multiple myeloma. ~ Steve McCurry continues to struggle in his recovery from a stroke. ~ Alice Montgomery continues to improve; she is now able to walk short distances with the aid of a walker. ~ Tom Witmer meets with the surgeon this week to set up the procedure to remove spurs from his spine.

Knox County COVOD-19 Update

According to the Knox County Health Department, as of Friday, March 26th, Knox County has had 41,347 confirmed cases of COVID-19, 1,314 of which have required hospitalization at some point during their illness. There are currently 1,017 active cases. Throughout the county, 39 patients are currently hospitalized with COVID-19 and the total number of deaths has now increased to 605. Though the pandemic is not over, the trend in recent weeks continues to be encouraging. As always, this information is given to help you best determine whether it is best for you to venture out to church or elsewhere or to stay at home.

Worship Service Videos

Typically, by Thursday morning of each week, a video of our previous Sunday's Worship Service will be posted on our website (www.first-cumberland.org), on Facebook, and on YouTube.



Prayer List

In the Hospital

No one connected to First Cumberland is known to be in the hospital at this time.

<u>Prayer Concerns List</u>

Pam Bogle (friend of Amanda Roberts); Becky Bonds (friend of Dianne Fielder); Dick Booher; Eleanor Bradshaw (sister-in-law of Dianne Fielder); Cooper Browning (cousin of Hannah Haddox and Amanda Roberts); Corey Burnette (friend of Amanda Roberts); Larry Burns (friend of Tom DeLozier); Fred and Joan Cline; Sallie Cox; Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries; Rue Dougherty; Ely Driver (friend of Dianne Fielder); Mason Fannin (great-nephew of Judy Gwilliams); Charles Farley (friend of Rose Wilkinson); Grace Flory (motherin-law of Tom Witmer); Judy Gammon; Ed Gaston (son of Jin Gaston); John Givens (father of Crissy Collins); Helen Hayes (cousin of Jin Gaston); Rodney Holloman (friend of Pastor Mike); Melodie Johnson (friend of Emily DeLozier); 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 (friend of Pastor Mike); Barbara and Gene McCammon; Steve McCurry; McDonnell and unborn baby boy; 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; Plan of Union between the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America; Anna Faye Presley (friend of Rose Wilkinson); Homer Prince (husband of Betty Prince); Christopher Reed (greatnephew of Jin Gaston); Lori Roark (sister of Kim McCurry); 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; 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]