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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

What a wonderful minister's conference we had this week. The guest speaker was Dr. William Willimon, Dean of Chapel and Professor at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina. He shared a great deal on the symbols of the sacraments of the faith. His closing sermon was "Some Saw Glory" taken from the gospel of John 2: 1-11. This was the first miraculous sign performed by Jesus at the wedding of Cana in Galilee. This was not a miracle to heal or change the world. It was at a party and it was to make wine out of water. You may ask, why would our Lord do such a thing? Why not wait and make it a Biggie, like raising the dead, healing the blind, or curing a disease? Could it be that many who would want to follow Jesus would expect a big miracle? We are always ready to follow the flashier leader. But could it be that even in a small simple miracle the disciples saw the glory of the Lord.

That makes sense to me. I have not seen the dividing of the waters at the Red Sea, the rain of manna in the desert, or the rising of the dead. I have seen the turning of a new day, the birth of a child, the healing of a youth, an older man seeing again, a dying woman prepare to meet her master. I have seen the glory of the Lord in so many places, so why should I not believe in this Jesus.

As I walked down the aisle to receive Holy Communion at the closing of our conference I was again able to see the Glory of the Lord. I said to myself this is like heaven. Standing in line to enter into the Kingdom of God and seeing all my old and new friends of the faith. Seeing those who I have loved for so many years and seeing the glory of God in their faces, to hug them and see Christ in them allowed me to see the glory of God.

Denominational Day

Sunday, February 2 is Denominational Day in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The actual birthday is February 4. We will be celebrating 193 years as Cumberland Presbyterians. The day also has special significance to us because it marks one year in our new church building. Please join us Sunday as we remember our past and celebrate our future. Communion will be a part of our worship service on Sunday.

Family Night - February 12

Family Night in February is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12 at 5:30 pm. Jean and Marlene will be preparing lasagna, salad, bread and hot fudge cake. Please make your donation for the meal in the basket provided by the door. This is not a regular WOW night with elders and their teams preparing the meal. Jean and Marlene buy all the ingredients and cook the meal. Treat your Valentine! This meal will be a great one! The February 9 bulletin will have a slip for you to sign if you plan to attend or you can call the church office by Monday February 10 so the ladies will know how much food to prepare.

Dinner Theater - Rescheduled for March 1

The Women's Ministry is planning a **Dinner Theater** as a fund-raiser featuring scenes from your favorite musicals. Now we need vocalists! For more information call Glynda Corbin (352-7264) Carla Flynn (352-0626) or Walter Waddle (352-3232). Details will be coming in future newsletters.

WOW

WOW begins at 5:30 pm on Wednesday nights. There are classes for all ages of children and youth; toddler and baby nurseries for the younger children; Bible studies for the adults. There is something for everyone!

Thanks to Elders Frank Claytor and Bob Rutledge and their team members for the dinner on January 22 and elders Lynda Lankford and Dave Peters and their team elders who prepared the meal on January 29.

February 5 - Team 4 with Elders Hames and Kreuter and team members C. Crowell, D. Eubank, Geyer's, McKennie's, Meeks, R. & J. Pate, C. Smith; Trues, Carrolls, G. Coleman, G. Corbin, Holcombs, H. Lockhart, J. Martin, Renfro's, L. Ridley, Taylors will prepare the meal.

February 12 is Family Night. Jean Garrett and Marlene Kreuter will prepare the meal.

February 19 - Team 5 with Elders Lindsey and Long and team members A. Boaz, B. Ellis, Janner's; H. & L. Kelly, Locke's; L. Lollar; J. Motherals, P. Motherals, J. Trevathan, E. & K. Corbin; R. Foster, Hamiltons, Hulls, Perritts, Prossers, L. Smith; D. Story, Warrens

Session Meeting

The Session will meet on Wednesday, February 5 at 7:30 pm following WOW in the Conference Room for the regular monthly meeting.

Congratulations!!

Congratulations to Tim & Carol Nanney at the birth of Nathan Ridley Nanney on January 21. He weighed 7 lbs and 14 ozs. Congratulations also to his big brother, Braden, Grandmother Pat Ridley and Grandfather, Larry Ridley.

PECANS for SALE

Clifford and Marge Matlock still have pecans for sale. They are \$5 per pound of shelled pecans. They are giving the proceeds from the sale of the pecans to the church's paving fund.

Memorials and Honorariums

Nehemiah Building Fund

In Memory of:

Elizabeth Burroughs

by Frances Pate

Franklin "Bratt" Howell

by Frances Pate

Thank You Note

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

Thank you for all you do in supporting the Relay for Life programs.

Elaine Brown &

Relay for Life Committee

Youth News

The youth at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church had a fantastic Rock-a-thon on Saturday, January 25. They rocked from 2 pm until midnight. Thank you to everyone who donated to help the youth raise money for their activities. They will be letting you know how long they rocked and collecting their pledges now.

They will be making plans soon for a possible mission trip this summer.

The youth had fun racking Mr. Willard Brush's leaves. It was hard to tell who had the most fun, the youth playing in the leaves or Mr. Willard watching!

The youth will be going to the Rally at Camp Clark Williamson on February 9, which begins at 3 pm.

Basketball Team

The church is forming a team to play in a church-league basketball program in McKenzie and Huntingdon areas High school age and older can play. Games will be played at First Baptist in McKenzie and First Baptist in Huntingdon. If you are interested in playing, call Tommy Surber (352-3807). The first game was January 27th and they won.

Monday, February 3 - 6:30 pm *

Tuesday, February 11 - 8:30 pm *

Monday, February 17 - 7:30 pm *

Monday, February 24 - 7:30 pm - (Huntingdon FBC)

Monday, March 3 - 6:30 pm *

Monday, March 10 - 8:30 pm *

*First Baptist Church Gym in McKenzie

Birthdays

- 1 - John Holancin
2 - Anne Hames
 R. A. James
5 - David Lankford
7- Tracy Webb
8 - Mitchell Hall
9 - Missy Blount
12- Linda McClure
 Craig Lunn
 Traci Lunn
14 - James Trevathan
15 - Marcia Webb
18 - Jennifer Baumgardner
20 - Beau Baker
 Kim Moss
 Evora Bryant
22 - Andrew Corbin
 Patrick Corbin
 Jamie Wilson
23 - Linda Krushe
24 - Ruth Carroll
27 - Dewayne Ervin
28 - Roger Johnson
 Paula Watkins
 Gary Meek

Anniversaries

- 12 - Tommy & Meredith Surber
14 - Paul & Susie Motheral
16 - Clifford & Marge Matlock
27 -Mark & Tammy Stambaugh
 Charles & Kelly Hudson
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RELAY FOR LIFE

The McKenzie Cumberland Presbyterian Church will have a Relay for Life Team for the May 9 Relay event. Those wishing to participate should sign up on the sheet in the gathering area on Sunday. Women's Ministry will sponsor the team which is open to both men and women.

Circle Meetings

Circle I will meet at the church on Monday, February 3 at 1:30 pm in the Conference Room. Rev. Tony Janner will have the program.

Circle II will meet at the church on Tuesday, February 4, at the church. Marlene Kreuter is the program leader and Linda Kelly is the hostess. Meeting time is 6:30 pm.

Circle III will meet at the home of Toni Prosser on Tuesday, February 11 at 7:00 pm. Betty Scott is the program leader.

Glory Be Circle will meet at the church of Sunday, February 2 at 6 pm. Traci Lunn is hostess and Rev. Janner will have the program.

Acolytes

Cheyenne Geyer - 352-3764
Matt Warren - 352-5374
Supervisor - Sandra Spires

Nursery Helpers

2 - Roxie Walker
 Tammy Stambaugh
9 - June Perritt
 Marcia Webb
16 - Leslie McNeil
 Kim Moss
23 - Stacie Warman
 Jill Warren

Greeters

Feb. 2 (A) Paul & Susie Motheral
 (B) Jimmy & Cathey Stambaugh
 (C) Ben & Linda McClure
Feb. 9 (A) Joe, Roxie & Virginia Walker
 (B) John & Janet Baumgardner
 (C) J. T. Lindsey
Feb. 16 (A) Charles & Linda Kemp
 (B) J. C. & Lil True
 (C) Joe & Jean McKinnie
Feb. 23 (A) Joe & Anne Hames
 (B) Jimmy & Ruth Carroll
 (C) Jack & Judy Hall

Ushers

Jack Hall, Chairman
Gordon Coleman - Co-Chairman
Marge Matlock
Lindsey Arnold
Duane Perritt
Chris Blount

Sound System Helpers

February 2 & 9 - Terry Howell
February 16 & 23- Tracy Webb

Correction

We had the wrong phone number in the last newsletter for Russell and Lorey Basford. The correct number is 352-0880.

Remember in your Prayers

Bob Rutledge—Methodist Hospital in Memphis; Charles Hudson; Roy Travillian; Jimmie James- McKenzie Hospital; Barbara Woodard (Lorey Basford's mother); Lynda Lankford and family at the death of her aunt, Mary Edmonston; Jane Pate Kevin Arnold; William Bryant-plans to go home Friday; Twilla Walker at Lakeside; Mary K Pollard; Larry Joe Abernathy; Jen Nolen; Renee Nesteca; Joe Poirier (nephew of Edna Forester); Patty Edwards; Peggy Hall; Joy Lainhart; Denese Guillory; Betty Smith; Evelyn Buck; Willard Brush; Olean Coleman; Gwen Multon & daughter; Howard Gurley (Tammy Stambaugh's father); Raydell Bartmess (Charro Keenan's grandmother); Mary Gail & Linda Ward; Earl White (Bubba Waddle's brother-in-law); the family of Ben Gaines, Sr.; Lala Bedinfield (Millie Finley's sister); the family of William Cole; James Hudson; Robert Lankford (friend of Christopher Hinton); Jessie Knott; our military, our church; the Session, our nation's leaders, missionaries and denominational institutions.

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Office Hours - Monday-Friday - 8am-3pm

Sunday School - 9:45 am; Sunday Worship - 10:45 am

Sunday Evening - Children's Choir and Youth Fellowship

Prayer and Bible Study Groups - Sundays and Wednesdays

School of Discovery—Tuesday/Thursday 8:00am-11:00 am

WOW - Worship on Wednesday 5:30 pm—Classes for all ages; Praise Choir

"A Family of Faith with Open Minds and Loving Hearts"