

First Cumberland
Presbyterian Church
McKenzie, Tennessee
NEWSLETTER



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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

I want to share some information with you about the use of the church van. Our van is a 15-passenger van, one of 500,000 owned and used by churches in the US. These vans are nice and we all enjoy the *road trips*, but they were built for cargo, not passengers. They are top-heavy and when you have 15 passengers, it is very easy to flip over. That is why it is most important that you follow these suggestions. 1) Never drive the van over 65 mph. 2) Never drive the van over 55 mph during rain and slower if the wind is blowing. 3) Never use the cruise control when it is raining hard and water is standing on the road, you could hydroplane, causing the speed of the van to increase thus risking an accident. 4) All passengers must wear seat belts at all times regardless of comfort. 5) No drinks or food will be consumed in the van. Churches that continue to use 15 passenger vans to transport people are assuming the increased risk of liability unless they take specific steps to reduce that risk, according to the monthly review of *Church Treasurer Alert*. If your group uses the van, please help keep it clean and filled with fuel.

This coming Sunday we will be experiencing a new style of worship. March 30 will be Fifth Sunday Praise and Worship. Every fifth Sunday during the year we will have a lot of praise, contemporary, and traditional church music. Our gifted and talented singers will be performing. The WOW Praise singers, Chancel Choir, Children's Choir, and Handbell Choir will have special music this Sunday followed by a sermon. I hope you will be here to enjoy and share in the fifth Sunday worship.

Bids are coming in for the construction of the Sunday school rooms upstairs. When all the bids are in the Building Commission will meet and award contracts. We may end up doing some of the work ourselves, but hopefully we can afford contractors to do most of the work.

Remember if you want to hear an update on what is going on here at First Cumberland Presbyterian, you may call the Information Line at 352-7838. An Update is placed on the information line twice a week. It will inform you of church activities or information on members and friends in the hospital. You may call 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

Adopt-a-Grandparent Program

The Fellowship and Member Care committee is planning an Adopt-a-Grandparent program. If you or your children or your family would like to adopt a grandparent, please e-mail cindyarnold@chater.net or call 731-352-2241 or see Cindy at church. You may choose your grandparent, or the committee will be happy to assign one to you. You will do something to remember your adopted grandparent once each month, on his/her Birthday, and on holidays. Of course you may do more, if you like. Our committee will keep a list of those who adopt and their adopted grandparents, and will have a party for all of you once each year. This is your chance to do something very special for that person who has been your spiritual mentor, or for anyone whom you wish to honor.

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 Millie Finley and Jimmy Stambaugh and their team members for the dinner on March 19 and also to Elders Lynda Lankford and Dave Peters and team members who provided the meal on the 26th.

April 2 - Meal by Team 3 - Elders Rutledge and Claytor and team members: R & L Basford, C & M Blount, J. Garrett; H. Graham; Nanneys; L. McNeil; B & S Pate; P Ridley; Thompsons; L. & D. Ward; A. Baker; P & A Corbin; D. & A. Coleman; D. & V. Long; B. & L. McClure; V. Patterson; S. Spires; C. Summers; B & L. Surber; L & P. Watkins

April 9 - Family Night - Jean and Marlene will be cooking

April 16 - Meal by 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.

Women's Ministry

The McKenzie Women's Ministry met on St. Patrick's Day in the family life center for an add-a-dish meal. Circle III hostesses decorated the tables for the Irish holiday. Following the meal, Glynda, Marlene, Charro, Martha Sue and Donna performed the skit they did at the Camp Clark Williamson women's retreat March 7th and 8th.

Circle III presented a special St. Patrick's Day program. Cindy Arnold told the story of St. Patrick. Robye related some of the myths and legends associated with the day such as the leaves of the shamrock representing the Trinity. Linda Hearn read a St. Patrick's Day lorika followed by the beautiful Irish blessing read by Robye Lindsey.

Under committee reports Marlene talked about the fund raisers. So far five fund raisers have brought in \$6,486.14. We voted to continue the fund raisers after meeting our goal for the Sunday School classrooms plus put aside \$1,000 for decorating those rooms. The continuing fund raisers will go toward the sanctuary. Marlene also showed us the beautiful hand-made porcelain doll donated by Sue Thompson. \$5.00 donations will be put into a drawing to be held on family night April 9. We will once again do the Mother's Day and Father's Day certificates for additional fund raisers.

The regional meeting had to be re-scheduled to Saturday, March 29 as it had been scheduled the same Saturday as the Retreat. It will begin at 9 am at our church. Jean Garrett reported for the Relay for Life team. With many requests for another casserole sale, it was decided to have that plus a bake sale on Good Friday.

The Nominating Committee submitted the names of Glynda Corbin as first delegate and Millie Finley as second delegate for General Assembly this year.



Thanks to the generous donation by Sue Thompson we are introducing a wonderful idea. She has given us a beautiful porcelain doll for us to find a new home. The doll's name is Carolin Bebe. She was made by Sue's loving hands. She was poured of 100% porcelain slip, fired to 2202 degrees with three paint firing of 1385 degrees each. She has glass eyes and is a modern doll. Sue made her beautiful clothes and said she enjoyed every moment of creating her. For a contribution of \$5.00 to the building fund of the First Cumberland Presbyterian Church your name will be added to the other friends who would love to take Carolin Bebe home with them.

For a \$10.00 donation to the building fund your name will be added three times. We will be having a drawing on April 9 at Family Night to see what lucky person will get to love this beautiful creation of Sue Thompson. Don't miss seeing Carolin Bebe in the gathering area Sunday. See the women of the church for tickets.

Women's Ministry

Women's Ministry of McKenzie will be hosting a Regional Meeting on Saturday, March 29 in the Family Life Center. Registration begins at 9 am. Lunch will be provided.

Everyone is welcome for **WORKDAY** on Saturday, April 5 beginning at 8 am. (Hopefully we will be finished by noon.)
Building and Grounds Committee

Easter Egg Hunt

The Christian Education Committee is organizing an Easter Egg Hunt for the children at the church on Saturday, April 19 at 12:30 pm. We would like for the church members to donate refillable plastic eggs and bags of individual pre-wrapped candy for the Easter Egg Hunt.

There will be a basket by the doors of the Worship and Family Life Center for your donations or you may give money if you prefer. Thanks for your help.

Traci Lunn

Congratulations!!!

The Bethel College Lady Wildcats Basketball team earned their first ever berth into the NAIA National Tournament at the Sioux City Auditorium in Sioux City, Iowa after defeating Indiana University Southeast to win the 2003 Women's NAIA South Independent Regional tournament championship. Congratulations!

Thank You Notes

A special "thanks" for the cards, prayers, visits and calls during my recent health crisis. I'd like to say a special thanks to Bro. Janner for being with me and my family during both surgeries, and a special thank you to the Glory Be Circle for the delicious meal they provided me and my family. I cannot say "thank you" enough.

James D. Stambaugh & family

Thank you for all your prayers, cards, and phone calls for my mother. Every act of concern and kindness you've shown is appreciated.

Lorey Basford

John and I are most grateful for all the cards, calls, prayers and concerns of the McKenzie C. P. Church. Please accept this gift in memory of Elizabeth and Raymon Burroughs for one of your new church projects.

God Bless you, Peggy Hall

Carroll County Chamber of Commerce Prayer Breakfast

The annual Carroll County Chamber of Commerce Breakfast will be on Friday, April 4 beginning at 7:30 am at the Carroll County Civic Center. The speaker will be Mr. Terry Dodd from Roswell, Georgia. Tickets are \$9.00 each. Bob Rutledge has tickets available.

Cumberland Presbyterian Golf Championship of America

This annual Golf Tournament is being held at Glenwood Country Club in Glenwood, Arkansas on May 1 and 2, 2003. It is hosted by the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Hot Springs, Arkansas. For more information, contact the church office.

Camp Clark Williamson Work Week - April 21-26

Camp Clark Williamson Spring Work Week is scheduled for April 21 - 26. They need volunteers who are willing to do clean-up and fix-up jobs. The annual Fishing Rodeo at Camp Clark Williamson is May 3. This will also be a workday for those who can help.

Camp Clark Williamson Summer Camp Schedule

Senior High Camp - June 16-21
Junior Camp #1 - July 7-12*
Junior High Camp #1 - July 14-19
Junior High Camp #2 - July 21-26
Junior Camp #2 - July 28 - Aug. 2

*Dr. Janner and Millie Finley will be helping in this camp. Application forms are in the church office. The fee is \$130. The church will pay half of each campers fee.

Summer Activities Planning

Committee are working on activities involving the whole church for the summer months. Plans are under way for a Vespers/Picnic at Carroll Lake in May and a trip to Montgomery Bell in August. There we will have a worship service in the Chapel followed by a picnic and recreation time.

Inquiry has been made about a possible church-wide day and night at Camp Clark Williamson. The cost is \$20 nper person for overnight stay at the lodge with a minimum of 20 people required. If we have at least 20 people sign up, we will make a reservation. PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE SHEET UNDER THE BULLETIN BOARD NO LATER THAN APRIL 13 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SPEND A NIGHT AT CAMP CLARK WILLIAMSON.

Robye Lindsey

Casserole and Bake Sale Relay for Life

The First Cumberland Presbyterian Church Relay for Life team will be having a casserole sale and bake sale on Good Friday, April 18. Casserole choices will be lasagna and rotel chicken. Casseroles must be ordered in advance. The \$12.00 tickets may be purchased from team members. We are asking anyone in the church to donate baked goods for the bake sale. There will be no pre-orders for the bake sale and anyone may purchase baked goods.

Relay members also have bows and luminaries for sale. Please support the Relay team with your help.

Jean Garrett

Community Cancer Bake Auction March 31-April 4 Alexander Hall

Ladies, please get ready to bake your favorite cake, pie, candy, bread or cookies for the Cancer Bake Auction to be held the week of March 31 thru April 4 at Alexander Hall. The auction will be broadcast on WHDM Radio each afternoon. Rev. Tony Janner will serve as auctioneer on Friday, April 4.

Cancer Survivors

The Relay for Life Committee of the American Cancer Society has asked the churches to give a list of Cancer Survivors. Please sign the sheet on the table under the bulletin board if you are a cancer survivor or call the church office at 352-2440 to have your name added.

"Alice in America Land"

presented by
McKenzie High School
Sat. April 5 - 7:30 pm
Sun. April 6 - 2:30 pm

Tickets are \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door. Get our tickets from a cast member of MHS office.

Recycling

Beginning March 30, baskets for paper recycling will be placed at both main exits of the sanctuary. At the end of services, if you would ordinarily throw away your bulletin, please place it in one of the baskets. If you have small amounts of other clean paper, such as magazines or office paper, you can also place those in the baskets throughout the week. Small containers matching the recycling baskets are being placed in the choir room and offices to facilitate paper recycling there as well. The paper will be emptied weekly and taken to the recycling center in Huntingdon.

Eric & Kristi Corbin

2003 West Tennessee Presbytery Youth Mission Trip

West Tennessee Presbytery will be sponsoring a mission trip June 29- July 5 to Northern Cambria, Pennsylvania (Appalachian Mountain region). It's for senior high youth who have completed 9th grade. Applications are in the church office. Space is limited. You must submit application and \$100 deposit by April 15.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School is tentatively planned for June 9-11 in the mornings from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. We are looking for teachers and helpers. If you can volunteer to help during VBS, please contact me.

Traci Lunn (352-1313)

Youth News

The McKenzie Youth Fellowship group attended BCYF March 14-16 and had a wonderful experience. Thanks to everyone who made pledges and supported the youth for the Rock-A-Thon. They made \$2,039 and gave 20% to the Nehemiah Building Fund and paid their fees for the Bethel College Youth Festival.

We have scheduled the mission trip to the Children's Home in Denton, Texas for the week of July 28 - Aug. 2.

Women's Conference

First Baptist Church, Huntingdon

The seventh annual Women's Conference held at First Baptist Church in Huntingdon is scheduled for April 4 and 5. Banquet is 6:30-7:30 pm and program 7:30 -9:00 pm on Friday. Saturday session is 8:30am for breakfast and the program is from 9 am until noon. This year's featured speaker is Annie Chapman, a nationally known speaker, author and musician. Tickets are \$20 for the banquet and conference and \$15 for the conference only. Registration forms are available in the office.

April Calendar

Circle I will meet on Monday, April 7 in the Conference at the church at 1:30 pm. Marge Matlock has the program.

Circle II will meet on Tuesday, April 1 at 6:30 pm at the church Reception Room. Jan Kirk is the program leader and Cheriadeth Rutledge is hostess.

Circle III will meet on Tuesday, April 8 at 7:00 pm in the home of Lenore Surber. Demetra Perkins is the program leader.

Glory Be Circle will meet at the church Reception Room on Sunday, April 6. Linda Meek is hostess and Diann Olson is program leader.

Acolytes

Victoria Motheral - 352-8010
Skylor Stambaugh - 352-9475
Supervisor - Susie Motheral

Nursery Helpers

6 - Carol Perritt - B
Brigitte Eubank - T
Sub: Glynda Hamilton
13 - Audra Henderson - B
Jan Kirk - T
Sub: Sandra Spires
20 - Sandra Pate - B
Lynda Lankford - T
Sub: Rachel Carroll
27 - Jean McKinnie - B
Holland Hames - T
Sub: Traci Lunn

Ushers

Ron Hinton, Chairman - 352-3252
Larry Watkins, Co-Chairman - 352-5213
John Motheral
Sandra Spires
Joe Walker, Jr.
Kerry Warman

Sound System Helpers

April 6 & 13 - Tom Aljancic
April 20 & 27 - Tracy Webb

Greeters

April 6 (A) Jean Garrett
(B) Reba Foster
(C) Dewayne & Dawn Ervin
April 13 (A) Frank Claytor/Larry Ridley
(B) Doug & Vicki Long
(C) Linda Smith
April 20 (A) Mark and Jill Warren
(B) Tom Smith
(C) Bill Kreuter
April 27 (A) Larry & Paula Watkins
(B) Craig & Traci Lunn
(C) Pat Ridley

April Birthdays

2 - Debby Aljancic
3 - Clifford Matlock
Violet Patterson
4 - Glenn Corbin
5 - Faye Headden
7 - Sandra Spires
8 - Victoria Motheral
11 - J. Blake Baker
Zach Edwards
2 - Jill Stambaugh
Christie Smith
16 - Chris Blount
Cindy Jones
17 - Sean Kelly
Edna Gene Forester
Sarah Dailey
Emily Lunn
Hayden Long
19 - Holland Hames
Matthew Bowlin
21 - Sydney Baker
22 - Tara Hart
Marjorie Matlock
23 - Norvel Headden
Marilyn Wiggins
24 - Amy Peters
Mark Stambaugh
25 - Madyson Driggers

(Birthdays Continued)

27 - Willard Brush
Linda Howton
28 - John Baumgardner
30 - Jill Warren

Anniversaries

3 - Larry & Paula Watkins
4 - Frank & Leonora Claytor
8 - Tony & Mary Ann Janner
18 - Joel & Teresa Washburn
24 - Jimmy & Cathey Stambaugh

Remember in your Prayers

Woodrow Young; Bubba Waddle; Willard Brush; Charles Hudson; Ed Basford and Sue Thompson who both had eye surgery last week; Roy Travillian; Rev. Lee Scott; Rev. Fran and Mary Ann Howe; John Dempsay; Deborah Sullivan; Margaret Sherwood (Marge Matlock's mother); Lucille Powers; Teresa Hutchison; Jimmie James; Rev. Paul V. Cook; Sarah Dailey; Jane Pate; William Bryant; Mary K Pollard; Robby Cole (Lankford's son-in-law); Keith Inman; Jen Nolen; Renee Nespeca; Rhonda Green, Phillip Allen; Joe Poirier (nephew of Edna Forester); Patty Edwards; Peggy Hall; Joy Lainhart; Denese Guillory; Betty Smith; Willard Brush; Howard Gurley (Tammy Stambaugh's father); Raydell Bartmess (Charro Keenan's grandmother); Mary Gail & Linda Ward; James Hudson; Jessie Knott; our military, our church; the Session, our nation's leaders, missionaries and denominational institutions.

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Dewayne Ervin-Youth Director; Choir Director-Walter Waddle; Zia McKennie-Organist; June Perritt, Secretary

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"