



**First Cumberland
Presbyterian Church
McKenzie, Tennessee**

December 18 2011
11:00 am Service

Prelude Diann Olson, Pianist
Welcome and Announcements Garrett Burns
*Bringing in the light of Christ Acolytes
*Introit *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*- No. 245 Chancel Choir
*Invocation

*Call to Worship (Please read responsively-bold print)
Sing aloud to God, our strength and our song; rejoice and exult with all your heart.

God is in our midst, renewing us; we will be glad and sing praises.
We have come together in faith to draw the water from the well of salvation.
As we have received the water of baptism we seek once more to be cleansed and made whole.

Come to be baptized with the Holy Spirit and fire; for God is ready to change your life.

God is restoring us before one another; we are witnesses to God's transforming power.

Lighting of 4th Advent Candle -Time with the Children The Keenan Family
Call to Confession
How can we stand before God when we know all is not right among us? How can we claim the promises of God when we do not keep our part of the covenant? We are invited to pour out our prayer of confession, seeking God's mercy.

Prayer of Confession
O God, we are anxious and ashamed. Too often we are shaped by our fears, not by faith. We have said and done things unworthy of our calling. Our thoughts have been so dominated by our past and the future that we have failed to live fully in the present. Our lives are filled with discontent, worry, and self-protective pursuits. We have not trusted you or let you set us on fire with good news. Forgive us. Change us. Inspire our caring and doing so we may bear fruit as your forgiven and forgiving children. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon
"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

Hymn *Angels From the Realms of Glory* No.259

Praise, Prayer Concerns, Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn *The First Noel* No.265

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Invitation: We who have divided the spoils of the earth as our own are presented in this season with a gift beyond price, one we can receive or reject but never control. In Jesus, God grants us a savior and the only way of life that ultimately works. In this very moment we have an opportunity to express our gratitude through gifts that will bring good news to the world.

Offertory No. 815
*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Anthem *The Holy Child of Mary* Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading Luke 2:8-20

Morning Message *"Shepherds and a Christmas Play"* Rev. R. Tony Janner

Invitation to Discipleship
Profession of Faith/Receiving New Members
Rededication of Christian Service

*Closing Hymn *I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day* No. 267

*Taking the Light into the World

*Benediction

*Benediction Response *Joy to the World* No.270

AS YOU WORSHIP, PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

Kim Wyatt (Jackson Hospital); Carla Waddle (McKenzie Hospital); Elisha Yockey (Eddie & Kim Moss's baby cousin); Mary Kathleen Goodrum; Susan Cason; Shelly (Brown) Lucas (Sandra Spires' niece)

McKenzie Health Care Center: Jessie "Gaga" Killebrew; Christine Pinson; Bette Edwards; Lola Alexander; Tip Stafford; Geraldine Campbell Bryant; Jewel Warren; Maudell Beasley

Lakeside Retirement Center - Roy Travillian; Lois Tilley; Linda Lawrence (Lee's mother)

Those confined to home, retirement & nursing homes: Leonora Claytor; Obra Sims; Mary Margaret Williams; Blondell Young; Eileen Adams (Dawn Ervin's mom); Thelma Lamb (Cathy Stambaugh's mother); Louise Mebane; Billie & Rachel Ford; Louise Martin; Betty Carlock; Kathryn Gazley; Martha Padgett; Della Cox; Beverly Hollomon (Mark's mother); Bill & Maudell Beasley

Those with long-term illnesses & undergoing treatments, therapy:

Millie Finley; Dorothy Higdon (Corinne Arnold's mother)-Hospice; Mary Anderson (Melissa Hennis' mom); Bill Booth; Mariann Draper; Vera Low; Eleanor Burke (Peggy Espey's mother); Tim Birmingham; Walter & Carla Waddle; Jimmy & Ginger Taylor; Debby Null; Ann Scott Brewer; William Stone; Della Wheeler (Michelle Roach's sister); Judy Chandler; Ernie Travillian; David Johnson; Sam Featherstone; Peggy Fannie; Betty Potts (Cheriadeth Rutledge's sister); Billy Perritt; Lisa Blevins; Zia Locke; Tom Keenan's Uncle Mike; Leroy Price (Joann Ownby's brother); Genia Sherwood; Rumor Shafer; Austin Lowe; Joyce McDearmon (Derek Fields grandmother); Doris Story; Patty Oakley; Charles Gipson; Diana Bradberry; Michelle Wilkes; Elizabeth Fischer; Barbara Grimes; Pat Schneider; Bud Pollard; Johnnie B. Baumgardner; Shane McClelland; Dale Norman; Mary Norden; Mike Vermillion; Bob & Marilyn Putman; Matthew Penick; Craig Willis; Joe Sasser

MILITARY: David Jarrett; Spiros Roditis; James Washburn; David Riddick; Keith Newsom; Blake Speer; Blake Stafford; Pete Torrez; Jonathan Scott; Sam Zasadny; Ronnie & Michelle Combs; Matthew Bowlin; Joey Smiley; Jon & Lisa Rhodes; Mark Boaz; Heather Daughtery; Rob Hallmark; Damon Hardy and all military
OTHERS: Colombia, South America churches; our church; the Session and committees, Sunday School Teachers; our nation's leaders, missionaries

**How to Become a Member
of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church**

Please share your commitment with the pastor by seeing him after any of our services. You may join First Cumberland Presbyterian Church by:

Profession of Faith: You would like to publicly acknowledge your dependence on Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior.

Transfer of your church membership: You are already a member of another Christian Church and you would like your membership transferred to the roll of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Reaffirmation of Faith: You have previously professed faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, but you would like to reaffirm that commitment in the presence of this congregation

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The ushers will pass out the Attendance Registers.
(Visitors, please write your address & phone number on the register)

TODAY

6 pm - *I HOPE* Christmas - Musical by youth and children
Reception to follow - Please bring finger foods to share
Santa will be here

TUESDAY

6:30 pm -Table Talk

WEDNESDAY

9:00 am - Prayer Group meets in Conference Room
5:00 pm - Christmas Caroling
Snacks afterwards at Larry & Paula Watkins' home

FRIDAY

Office Closed

SATURDAY

7 pm- Christmas Eve Communion

NEXT SUNDAY

10:00 am - Worship Service
One service only - Sunday School Classes will not meet

December 11, 2011	Attendance 254
General Fund Offering -	\$ 4,780.60
Sanctuary -	3,242.00
WOW -	174.03
Gift to the King Offering -	107.00
Youth Fund Raiser -	70.00
TOTAL	\$ 8,373.63
(General Fund Amount Needed Weekly - \$5,335)	

LOOKING AHEAD

Dec. 25 - 10 am - Christmas Day Service (One service- Sunday School Classes will not meet)
Dec. 31 - 9 pm - Games, Snacks and Watch-night Service
Jan. 1 - 5 pm - Take down decorations
Jan. 13-16 - Convocation in Gatlinburg
Jan. 15 - 6 pm - "Courageous" - Men's Bible Study begins
6 pm - "Jonah" - Ladies Bible Study begins
Jan. 25 - 6 pm - Sunday School Teacher Workshop
Jan. 27-28 - Elder Planning Retreat
Feb. 1 - WOW begins

Congregational Meeting

A Congregational Meeting will be held on TODAY at 10 am just following the 9am Worship Service. The session will nominate four members to serve as elders for three-year terms. The names to be placed in nomination are: Meredith Surber, Ruth Carroll, Mark Smith and Tracy Webb.

Any member of the congregation who has been a member for at least one year and is not employed by the church can be nominated at the meeting provided you have received their permission prior to nominating him or her.

Each year four elders rotate off the session and four new elders are elected to serve. We express our thanks to Elder Debby Aljancic, Elder James Baxter, Elder Lee Lawrence, and Elder Mark Thompson for serving on the session for the past three years.

IHOPE Christmas, The Hope of the World with Us

The youth of the church will be presenting *IHOPE, The Hope of the World with Us*, a Christmas musical **TONIGHT at 6 pm**. Following the presentation, we will have add-a-dish finger foods, so everyone bring your favorite holiday snacks to share. Santa Claus is planning to make a stop here too!

Christmas Caroling

The church's annual Christmas Caroling will be on **Wednesday, December 21**. Everyone is invited to meet at the church at 5 pm to go sing Christmas carols at the nursing homes and retirements centers and the homes of members who aren't able to attend church any longer.

Following caroling everyone is invited to Larry and Paula Watkins' home for snacks and hot cocoa.

The New Sanctuary

"So we built the wall for the people worked with all their hearts."

Nehemiah II Capital Campaign Update -November 30, 2011



Total Pledged	\$ 755,792
Paid Pledges	238,710
Open Pledges	517,082
Cash O/H	633,893
Potential Fund	\$1,150,975

Thank you for your commitments, your dedication and support through prayer and giving for the sanctuary building project.

Addresses

Here are addresses for some of our people who are aren't able to attend church any longer, if you'd like to send them a Christmas card.

Jessie "Gaga" Killebrew, Christine Pinson (Paula Watkins' mother); Maudell Beasley (Janice Wiggins's mother); Jewel Warren (Dewayne Ervin's aunt); Geraldine (Campbell) Bryant (Leslie McNeil's grandmother); are at:

McKenzie Health Care Center
175 Hospital Drive McKenzie, TN 38201

Roy Travillian; Lois Tilley (Brent Bradberry's grandmother); Linda Lawrence (Lee's mom) at:

Lakeside Retirement Center
390 Dr. Smith Lane McKenzie, TN 38201

Ruth Morris
140 Bailey St.
McKenzie, TN 38201

Mr. & Mrs. Obra (Joyce) Sims
5935 Highway 54
Paris, TN 38242

Mary Margaret Williams
Morningside of Paris
350 Volunteer Dr.
Paris, TN 38242

MILITARY:
David Jarrett
HHC 230th EN BN
Camp Arifjan
APO AE 09366

Blondell Young
175 Bertha St.
McKenzie, TN 38201

Beverly Hollomon
12 Juanita Drive
Henderson, TN 38340

Thelma Lamb
Henry Co. Nursing Center
239 Hospital Circle
Paris, TN 38242

Capt Zasadny, Samuel F
HMH-464 (S-3)
Unit 77012
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Christmas Cards

For many years our church has given you an opportunity to exchange Christmas cards with each other. In the hallway we have felt Christmas Trees, a Bell and an Ornament which all have pockets and names of our people, so you can exchange cards. If we have accidentally left off any names, please let us know.

If you would rather give a donation to the Sanctuary Building Fund instead of giving Christmas Cards, all those donations will be listed on a Christmas card in the December 25 church bulletin.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

10:10 am - 10:50 am

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Nursery: Newborns - 18 months
Beginners: (18 months-3 years)-Toddler Nursery
Pre-K & K - Upstairs above Gathering Area
1st & 2nd Grades - Upstairs above Gathering Area
3rd & 4th Grades - Upstairs above Gathering Area
5th & 6th Grades - Upstairs above Gathering Area

YOUTH CLASSES

7th & 8th Grades - Youth Room
(above the Kitchen - off the Walking Track)
9th-12th Grades - Library
College Class - Garrett Burns' office

ADULT CLASSES

Fellowship Class - Ground level - 1st room on South End
Faithweavers Adult Class - Upstairs above Gathering Area
Revelation Class - Prayer Room
Fireside Class - Reception Room

Stepping Forward in Faith - Stewardship UPDATE

We have received 49 estimate of giving cards for a total of \$162,464 toward next year's budget. We are receiving your cards every day. If you have misplaced yours, we have additional cards and envelopes in the back of the Sanctuary for you to fill out and drop in the offering or mail to the church. Please complete your cards as soon as possible, so the Stewardship Committee will have this information for 2012 proposed budget.

The theme for our Fall Stewardship Emphasis is "Stepping Forward in Faith". A stewardship letter with a copy of the proposed budget and estimate of giving cards was mailed several weeks ago. Thanks to everyone who has returned your 2012 estimate of giving cards.

Leaf - Raking - Camp Clark Williamson

On December 28, beginning at 9am Camp Clark Williamson will have the first *Jerry Petty Leaf-a-Thon*. Many campers over the years know Jerry affectionately as "Gomer". He serves on the Board at CCW and has volunteered for years at the camp. Not very many weeks of the year go by that he isn't at the camp working. If you have a couple of hours that day, please consider donating your time to get together with friends and help at the camp.

For More Information - Contact Numbers

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Newsletters and Bulletins: <http://www.mckenziecpc.org/newsletter/>