

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

McKenzie, Tennessee

NEWSLETTER

August 28, 2019



WHO WILL YOU INVITE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15?

Will you join me in praying for and inviting people to worship on “National Back to Church Sunday” September 15, 9:00 or 11:00 a.m.?

Who can you invite? Anyone you want to: family, friends, co-workers, Bethel students, new residents of McKenzie, and even members who haven’t been in a while!

Research has shown that four out of five people are open to an invitation from a friend. Will you be that caring friend? Churches grow when God’s people reach out! Your presence always matters every Sunday in the community of faith and so do your invitations to others!

There are many people in our community who are hurting, afraid, broken, and looking for hope. You can introduce them to your family of faith who in turn can help usher them into the presence of the living Christ: the Way, the Truth, and the Life! Will someone be coming with you on “National Back to Church Sunday?”

FAMILY DATE FOR ‘OVERCOMER’ SEPTEMBER 17

We have reserved the Park Theater **Tuesday, September 17, 6:00 p.m.** for you and your entire family to join us for one of the best Christian movies in years! “Overcomer” challenges believers and non-believers alike to answer the question: “What do you allow to define you?” We will be selling tickets soon at the Welcome Desk, \$5 each for adults, youth, and children. The price includes popcorn and drink. You can’t beat it for a meaningful family night out for all ages!

FOR ANYONE INTERESTED IN CHURCH MEMBERSHIP!

Interested in learning more about the Christian faith and church membership? Please join me for an information class between services on Sunday, September 8, 15, and 22, 10:10 a.m. in my office.

THREE SPECIAL SERVICES THIS FALL!

This fall our family of faith will have tremendous opportunities to glorify God in three upcoming worship services! Please pray for these services and invite everyone to join us!

“YOUTH SUNDAY WORSHIP”

Sunday, September 22, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Minister to Youth Luke Mitchum and a talented, Spirit-led youth group will challenge us on “Youth Sunday,” September 22!

“A SERVICE OF SPIRITUAL BLESSING”

Sunday, September 29, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

Based on James 5:13-16, we can all experience God’s blessings and healing graces! Anyone who responds, whatever their need, will be invited to come forward to receive prayer and anointing with oil.

No one who comes will be asked their reasons. Together, we will simply claim the presence, power, and promise of God and allow the Holy Spirit to move freely in our lives. Prepare your heart and come as God leads you!

“BETHEL RENAISSANCE HOMECOMING WORSHIP”

Sunday, November 3, 9:00 a.m.

Matthew Holt and the Bethel University Renaissance Choir will lead us in soul-stirring worship during Bethel Homecoming Weekend, Sunday, November 3, 9:00 a.m. only! We will welcome alumni, family, friends and the McKenzie community for a memorable service! No Sunday School or traditional worship is planned that day!

WITH APPRECIATION!

Thank you, Lord for everyone who stepped up to the challenge of leading the discipleship ministry of our church in Sunday School, WOW, Children’s Church, Youth Ministry and the Christian Education Committee for another year! Pastor, Session and congregation owe you our respect, gratitude and support for bringing the word of God to us week after week. Keep on trusting God to water the seeds you sow in our lives. It will not return to Him void!

BUILDING COMMISSION AND QUARTERLY OFFERING

Please continue to remember Tracy Webb and the Building Commission in their ongoing meetings moving toward construction and completion of the new sanctuary. The Commission remains open to any and all ideas from the congregation. The next scheduled meeting is **Tuesday, September 3, 6:00 p.m.**

Also, our next Quarterly Building Fund Offering will be received during the **9:00 and 11:00 a.m. services Sunday, September 15.** Every dollar given before bidding saves interest payments down the road. Thank you for your prayers and your generosity! Special envelopes will be provided in the bulletins. In Him, Kevin L. Wood, Pastor



“All You Can Eat” Pancake Breakfast September 14

The church is having an “All You Eat Pancake Breakfast” on Saturday, September 14 from 6 am to 10 am.

Mark your calendars. Tickets will be \$5.00 each. The CP Crafters will have their crafts available for sale. There will be a Bake Sale. A drawing will be held.

Everyone is welcome to volunteer to help with the day, cooking, baking, set-up and clean-up, selling tickets, etc.

SEEKERS

The Seekers, senior adult group will have a guest speaker at their September meeting. Michael L. Creasy with West Tennessee Legal Services will make a presentation about legal matters for seniors and you will have a chance to ask questions also. Lunch will be catered. Meeting time is **11:00 am on September 19.**

Please sign the sheet under the bulletin board if you plan to attend so we can order food for everyone.

The New Sanctuary

The image to the right is an updated rendering of what our completed sanctuary should look similar to once construction is complete! The design has not been finalized but this shows some of the selections which have been made.



We're excited for what the next year will bring as we complete the final steps to a fully functional, new sanctuary!

Building Commission will meet on **Tuesday, September 4 at 6:00 pm** with TLM (architects) and Lashlee Rich (construction contractors).

Sanctuary Quarterly Offering Sunday, September 5

Youth Fund-Raiser

Our youth will be selling beef jerky sticks in a variety of flavors as a fund-raiser for the trip to Convocation in Gatlinburg in January 2020.



Thank you to everyone who supported us in August for our Car Wash. We received \$738.50 in car wash donations.

Fall Retreats at Camp Clark Williamson are scheduled.

Junior High Retreat - Nov. 1-3

Senior High Retreat - Nov. 15-17

College Age Retreat - Dec. 13-15

Our regular youth meetings for devotionals and recreation are Sunday nights at 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

Luke Mitchum



Overcomer

The movie, “Overcomer” will be at the Park Theater in downtown McKenzie on **Tuesday, September 17 at 6 pm** for our congregation. Tickets are \$5.00 each and can be purchased in advance.

CONGRATULATIONS TO...

*Jack Surber is the Hutchins Scholar at Bethel University for the 2019-2020 year. This award is presented to a rising senior who has achieved the highest academic average.

*Tom and Rhonda Smith have a new granddaughter. Gemma Josephine Ganz was born August 22, 2019 to Jamie and Julie (Smith) Ganz and big brother, Knox.

*Donna Ward received the Educator of the Year Award during Worship Services on August 25.

(Please let us know of awards and congratulatory news. E-mail:

Church@mckenziecpc.org or call 352-2440
or text June @731-415-0629

Memorials and Honorariums

Sanctuary Building Fund

In Memory of Joe Hamilton (James

Hamilton's brother)

by Bob & Cheriadeth Rutledge

Linda Hearn

In Memory of Sue Hearn

by Bob & Cheriadeth Rutledge

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child is sponsored by Samaritan's Purse. It is filling a shoebox with personal care items, toys, and school supplies, which will be shipped around the world to children in need. Donation item for the month of September is: T-shirts, flip flops, caps, socks. The collection box for OCC items is in the hallway

General Assembly

A summary of General Assembly actions taken at the 189th General Assembly which met in June is at the Information Desk if you are interested in reading it.

WOW - Worship On Wednesday

Our Wednesday evening activities begin **Wednesday, September 4**. The evening begins with a meal. Marlene Kreuter and Fran Musser prepare supper. Donations are taken for the meal. Elder teams help serve, provide desserts and help clean up after supper. Bible classes are available for all ages. A nursery is provided for babies thru 3 years old. Adult studies include:

"Don't Give Up." Life got you down? Let God revive and renew you! "Draw inspiration from Biblical heroes and testimonies of perseverance. Journey through Hebrews 11 and 12 and let your loving Father carry the weight that has been holding you back and keeping you down." Five-week study led by Tony Janner.

"Job: A Story of Unlikely Joy." Is it possible to hold onto joy, even in times of sorrow? In this seven-week DVD Bible study, by Lisa Harper, discover the redemptive facet of Job's suffering. Led by Susan Bouldin.

"Shepherding a Child's Heart." Ted Tripp presents twelve half-hour sessions on Biblical parenting, drawing on his wealth of experience as a parent, school administrator, and pastor. Facilitated by Suzanne Howell & other volunteer leaders, to be announced.

September 4 - Team 1 with Elder Stephen Brown and the Shepherd group (formerly with Adam Cooper) and team members: Saudia Akin, Allen & Tonya Brown, Cody & Meagan Brown, Ron & Sandi Deming, Terry & Suzanne Howell, Linda Lewis, Joe & Jean McKinnie, Linda MEEK, Kim Moss, JoAnn Ownby, Dave & Martha Sue Peters, Larry Ridley, Bob & Cheriadeth Rutledge, Mark & Amy Smith, Justin & Lori Stambaugh, Chris & Becky Wall, Lynn & Molly Watkins, Andrew & Josi Webb, Tracy & Marcia Webb

September 11 - Team 2 with Elders Jody Trout and Paula Watkins and team members Mike & Vicki Hoover, Chad & Amanda Batts, Ken & Nancy Bean, Victor & Vicky Clark, Stuart & Meredith Daffron, John & Katrina Holancin, Tony & Mary Ann Janner, Roger Johnson, Bill & Marlene Kreuter, Patricia Lee, Zene & Elaine Malinski, Kyle and Kim Manns, Star Martino, Rachel Nzemo, CJ & Amy Scott, Kenneth & Amanda Seward, Randy & Derrinda Thomas, Joel & Teresa Washburn

September 18 - Team 3 with Elders Peggy Espey and Carol Nanney and team members Connie Beasley, Randy & Angela Birmingham, Lauren Cunningham, Joe & Sara Fitzgerald, Ron From, James & Glynda Hamilton, Linda Hearn; Charles & Linda Kemp, Robye Lindsey; Mike & Beret Ilko, Diann Olson, June Perritt, Bob & Tony Prosser, Andy & Natalie Sumrok, Casey & Johnna Toombs

September 25 - Team 4 with Elders Susan Bouldin & Ruth Carroll and team members: Tom & Debby Aljancic, Becky Allen, Roger & Melissa Baker, Ron & Alice Barnhart, John & Janet Baumgardner, Chris & Missy Blount, Dean & Dinah Brush, Garrett & Jessica Burns, Paul & Ashley Carroll, Rachel Carroll, Allison Cummings, Jessica Green, Don & Anita Heath, Ron & Julia Hinton, Chester & Janie Jackson, Tom & Charro Keenan, Linda Krushe, Ramona Maynard, Duane & Erica Patrick, Ed Perkins, Mark & Jill Warren, Kelly & Clara Weatherford

Highlights of August Session Meeting

- * Elder Peggy Espey gave the devotional and prayer
- * Luke Mitchum reported plans for the Youth Car Wash and a fund-raiser—selling smoked sausages
- * Sept. 22 will be Youth Sunday and Luke with preach
- * Approved Pastor's third week vacation, Aug 26 - Sept. 1
- * Approved One Worship Service on November 3 at 9 am with Bethel Alumni and Renaissance – Sunday School and 11 am service dismissed on Nov. 3
- * Financial Report for July Giving: \$18,873
Expenses: \$32,414; Year to Date Giving: \$158,244
Year-to-Date Expenses: \$175,704
- * Missions Committee, Carol Nanney & Amanda Morris will oversee work projects for STAR's, Bethel freshmen
- * October will be our church's month for Backpack Program
- * Fellowship Committee will have lunch for STARs and the youth who participate in the car wash on Aug. 17
- * Building & Grounds Committee reported: repairs on bathrooms upstairs and downstairs; Volleyball court competed; renovation of church sign, condensers cleaned; upcoming replacement of ceiling tiles; upcoming replacement of two HVAC units upstairs
- * Approved a Pancake Breakfast for Sat. Sept. 14

Sunday School Teachers

2019 - 2020

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Nursery Attendants: Linda Krushe, Amy Scott, Patricia Lee

Toddler Class: Melissa Herris
Johnna Toombs

Pre K & Kindergarten: Hunter & Heather Garrett,
Kim Moss, Christian Nunnery
and Allie Chappell

1st & 2nd Grade Class: Tommy & Meredith Surber &
_____ (Need a volunteer)

3rd, 3th & 5th Grade Class: Mike & Jennifer Beasley,
Susan Bouldin

YOUTH CLASSES

6th, 7th & 8th Grade Class: Peggy Espey,
Stacie Warman

High School Class: Jon Davis,
Amanda Morris

Young Adults/College/Career Class: Jean Hollomon,
Garrett Burns

ADULT CLASSES

Fellowship Class: Rotating Teachers
Faithweavers Class: Rotating Teachers
Revelation Class: Linda Kemp
Fireside Class: Debby Aljancic



Welcome to Autumn.
The season officially begins
September 23.

Beating Hearts Dinner

Beating Hearts Help Center will have their fourth annual dinner at Carroll Co. Civic Center on Thursday, **September 5 at 6:30 pm.** Call 731-207-1400 for tickets.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Acolytes - 9 am Service

Madelyn Morris
Sophie Beasley

Nursery Helpers 9:00 am Service

1 - Johnna Toombs
8 - Corinne Arnold
15- Suzanne Howell
22 - Tonya Brown
29 - Sally Sutton

Ushers - 9:00 am Service

Hunter Garrett, Chair
Mark Hollomon, Co-Chair
Craig Lunn
Zach Jarrett

Ushers - 11:00 am Service

Larry Watkins, Chair
Matthew Espey
Ron Barnhart
Linda Meek

Time with Children

9:00 am Service

1 - Lee Lawrence
8- Jon Davis
15 - Carol Nanney
22 - Luke Mitchum
29 - Kevin Wood

11:00 am Service

1 Donna Ward
8- Paula Watkins
15 Marlene Kreuter
22- Glynda Rich
29 -Kevin Wood

Sound System 9 am Service

1 - Lee Lawrence
8 - Nic Smiley
15 - Christian Nunnery
22- Joel Washburn
29 - Adam Cooper

Video - 9 am service

Howard Spires

Safety/Security

1 - Lynn Watkins & Tim Nanney
8- Jimmy Stambaugh & Andrew Webb
15-John Baumgardner & Tommy Johnson
22- Chris Wall & Marty Morris
29 - Mark Smith & Kerry Warman

Bell Ringers

1 - Natalie Herris
8 - Kennedi Hutchens
15 - Madelyn Morris
22 - Sophie Beasley
29 - Caleb Burns

Elder of the WEEK

Sept. 1-7 - Hunter Garrett
Sept. 8-14 - Craig Lunn
Sept. 15-21 - Amanda Morris
Sept. 22 - 28 - Carol Nanney
Sept. 29 - Oct. 4 - Tommy Surber

September Birthdays

1- Tim Nanney
Abby Carroll
3 - Joe McKinnie
Diann Olson
Lauren & Natalie Foster
4 - Mark Bowlin
Brooke Cole
Claudia Patrick
6 - Dawson Brush
Nancy Bean
7 - Eddie Basford
Alisha Storey
Harriette Taylor
8 - Lilly Sumrok
Tom Keenan
Sue Thompson
Case Wall
9- Tariq Wyatt
Gabe Green
11 - Denver Brush
Mitchell Locke
12 - Tommy Surber
Marty Morris
13 - Sarah Warren
Roger Baker
16 - Jacob Ervin
Morgan Jarrett Richards
17 - T.J. Meek
Allison Martino
18 - Bill Kreuter
Joshua Keenan
19 - Dean Brush
Nicholas Smiley
24 - Jeremy Thomas
25 - Linda Smith
27 - Matthew Espey
29 - Christopher Hinton

September

Anniversaries

1 - Larry & Fran Musser
6 - Bill & Marlene Kreuter
8 - Garrett & Jessica Burns
10 - Ken & Tracy Powell
12 - Alan & Virginia Cross
22 - John & Tara Hart
23 - Mark & Jill Warren
25 - Hunter & Heather Garrett
28 - Kerry & Stacie Warman
30 - Andrew & Kim Foster
(If we have left off your birthday or anniversary, or have any wrong dates, please let us know in the church office @ 352-2440 or church@mckenziecpc.org.)

*"Come to me,
all you who are weary
and burdened,
and I will give you rest."
Matthew 11:28*

Women's Ministry

The ladies of the church are invited to the Women's Ministry Meeting on **Monday, September 9** for an Add-a-Dish meal. This is the beginning of the 2019-2020 year in Women's Ministry. The theme for the coming year is "Walk in Love" from Ephesians 5:2. New officers will be installed.

Jubilee will host the meeting which begins at **6:00 pm**.

Attendance and Giving Report

Aug. 4, 2019	Attendance 195
General Fund Offering -	\$5,854.25
Sanctuary Fund Offering -	2,185.00
TOTAL -	\$8,039.25

Aug. 11, 2019	Attendance 212
General Fund Offering -	\$5,070.50
Sanctuary Furnishings -	3,000.00
Sanctuary Fund Offering -	1,065.74
TOTAL -	\$9,136.24

Aug. 18, 2019	Attendance 168
General Fund Offering -	\$9,292.30
Sanctuary Fund Offering -	3,290.00
Youth Car Wash -	727.00
TOTAL -	\$13,309.30

August 25, 2019	Attendance 180
General Fund Offering -	\$5,107.73
Sanctuary Fund Offering -	664.00
Youth Car Wash -	11.50
TOTAL -	\$ 5,783.23

Session Meeting

The Session will meet on Wednesday, **September 11 at 7:30 pm** in the Conference Room after the WOW Classes. Elder Susan Bouldin is Elder of the Month and she will have the devotional.

Greeters for SEPTEMBER

Information Desk
Kevin & Carol Hill

Nights on Broadway

Nights on Broadway is happening this summer in downtown McKenzie. Remaining Schedule for this summer is:

September 5 – Hogslop String Band
Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the music, friends and fun. If it rains, event moves to the Park Theater.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sept. 2 - Labor Day (Office Closed)
Sept. 4 -WOW Fall Semester begins with Team 1- Elder Stephen Brown & Shepherd Group formerly with Adam Cooper
Sept. 8 - 10:10 am - Membership Class
Sept. 9 - 6 pm - Women's Ministry Joint Meeting
Sept.11 - 5:50 pm - WOW Team 2 with Elders Trout & Watkins
Sept.14 - 6:00 am -10:00 am - Pancake Breakfast
Sept.15 - 9:00 & 11:00 am - Sanctuary Quarterly Offering
Sept. 15 - 10:10 am - Membership Class
Sept.17 - 6:00 pm - Movie "Overcomer" at Park Theater
Sept. 18 - 6:50 pm- WOW Team 3 with Elders Espey & Nanney
Sept. 19 - 11:00 am -Seekers Luncheon, Guest Speaker
Sept. 22 - 9:00 & 11:00 am - Youth Sunday
Sept. 22 - 10:10 am - Membership Class
Sept. 25 - See You at the Pole
Sept. 25 - 5:50 pm - WOW Team 4 with Elders Bouldin & Carroll
Sept. 29 - 9:00 & 11:00 am - A Service of Spiritual Blessings
Oct. 2 - 5:50 pm - WOW Team 5 with Elders Lunn & Morris
Oct. 5 - West Tennessee Presbytery Meeting
Oct. 6 - World-Wide Communion Sunday
Oct. 9 - 5:50 pm - WOW Team 6 with Elders Garrett & Surber
Oct. 12 - 7:30 am - Men's Fellowship
Nov. 3 - 9:00 am - Worship Service with Bethel University Alumni & Renaissance for Homecoming (One Service Only)

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Prayer Concerns: Mabel Bone; Taylor Roney; John Arnold, Jr.; Jill Robbins; Adam Walters; Wanda Durany (Janie Jackson's sister); Oscar Owen; Mike Blankenship; Lindsey Self; Ken Ashby
Sympathy to: the family of Joe Hamilton; the family of Euda Maynard; the family of Sue Hearn; the family of Ben Howard
McKenzie Health Care Center: Ben Surber; Marian Smith; Katie Patterson; Lanier Mabry; Anita Drury; Peggy Morris; Martha McCadams; Bobby Elliston; Truman Bateman
Veterans Home in Humboldt: J T Lindsey Lakeside Retirement Center: Robye Lindsey; Frank Claytor; Linda Crider; Noel Wiggins; Bill Beasley; Trudy Bateman; Ken Mitchum
Christian Care Center: Edward McDearmon Other retirement centers & home-bound; Gordon Coleman; Rev. Don Caperton; Raymond Gray; Dorothy Tegethoff; Christine Argo

Those with long-term illnesses & undergoing treatments, recovering, therapy: Ken Bean; Jimmy Stambaugh; Mary Margaret Williams; Traci Lunn; Tommy Johnson; Blake Poole; Walter Waddle; Sara Fitzgerald; David Lankford; Byron Pate; Ben McClure; Joyce Sims; Dave & Martha Sue Peters; Wynemia Mouser; Amanda Seward; Mary Jane Martin; Jack Raines (Linda McClure's brother); David & Linda Bishop; Myrna Carter; Oscar Owen; Dara Jones; Nina Smothers; Kay Connor Roger Johnson's daughter); Julie Tate; Margaret Sanders (Corinne Arnold's sister); Jeremy Redmond; Kanon McVicker; Jerry Trout; Jimmy Wolff (Elaine Malinski's brother); Kurt Rodenberger; Kent Sterling (Sally Sutton's brother); Carolyn Roney; Linda Duke; Ashley Machuca; Debra Tuberville; Janelle Messamore (Amanda Morris' grandmother); Jim Maggart; Linda Parker; Sally Bronan; Jamie, Jennifer & Taylor Roney; Tony Michael; Ann Drewry; Carol Simmons; Jennifer Ray; Shirley Smith; Jerry Coates (Sandi Deming's brother); Pauline Rhodes; Ruth Eason; Tim Stone; Wilma Hansen; Leroy Price (JoAnn Ownby's brother); Diana Cook (Rev. Wood's cousin); Bobby Babb; Rev. Jim Pinnell; Alex Hawks; Bill McCain; Stacie Smothers; Clint Todd; Ray Crocker; Rev. Tommy Thompson; Rick Legends; Linda Davis; Nancy Daniels; Sam Tilley; Rev. Don Tabor; Robert Hall; Demitri Burnett; Matthew Bowlin; Paul Lundy; Connie Hubbard; Edwin Hawkins; Rev. Mike Justice; Edward Lankford; Dan Vaughn; Mary Bass; Ted & Judy Finley; Bobbie Cooper; Kyle Watkins; Jim Verner; Buddy Hutchens; April Knowles; Adriana D'Adamio; Jill Shomaker; Joyce (Hill) Alkishaly; John Arnold; Rev. Aaron Holmes; Tom Keenan's brother, Max; Grace McCain Wonderly; Lucille Russell; Leah Sutton; Josh Fisher; Maddox Hurst; Keitha Chism; Charlie Bowman; Nathan Pratt; Warner Wood; Frank Knopp; Margeax Ridley; Kenneth Rogers; David Ellis; Linda Crutcher; Mariann Draper; Shane McClelland **MILITARY:** Joel Malinski; Josh Owen; Zakkary G. Burke; Josie Fitzgerald; Cameron Rawls; Sean Smith; Matt Warren; Nathan Smith; Ken Powell; Jon & Lisa Rhodes; Caleb Clay, Peter Allen & C. J. Vogel & all military & veterans **OTHERS:** Victims of Natural Disasters; Persecuted Christians; The Drop Box Ministry; Session; Committees; Sunday School Teachers; missionaries; the Congo nation; Care givers

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June Perritt-Secretary 731-415-0629

Office Hours - Monday-Friday - 8 am-Noon & 1- 4:30 pm

Contemporary Worship Service - 9 am; Sunday School - 10:10 am; Traditional Worship - 11 am
Sunday Evening - Children's and Youth Programs

Prayer and Bible Study Groups - Sunday evenings & Wednesday mornings & evenings

School of Discovery -Tuesday/Thursday Classes 8:30 am-1:30 pm

WOW - Worship on Wednesday 5:50 pm-Classes for all ages

"A Christ-centered family of faith with open arms and loving hearts, glorifying the Holy God."