

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church

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Important Dates:

August 8 Presbyterian
Boards Meet
August 9 Session Summit
August 12 School
Resumes
August 16 Congregational
Meeting/Election
August 23 Session Meeting
August 30 Joint Service /
Potluck

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From the Pastor

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held Sunday, AUGUST 16 for the purpose of [1] Nominating and electing elders onto the Session and [2] Propose to the congregation a motion to reduce the Session number from seven (7) to six (6). Those rotating off the Session are Dick Gregory, Michele O'Meara, and Doris Shipp. The Session will be placing into nomination the names of Rodger Davis and Ralph Hawkins into nomination. Any member can nominate another member as long as they meet the qualifications in The Confession of Faith and have given their permission to be nominated. Please be in prayer for our annual church election. Here are some scriptural guidelines for this process.

Acts 20:28 - "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood."

Titus 1:7 - "For a bishop must be blameless, as the steward of God; not selfwilled, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre;"

Titus 1:5 - "For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee:"

1 Timothy 3:1-7 - "This [is] a true saying, If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work."

I am thankful for Christians willing to serve in our church. Special thanks to Dick, Michele, and Doris for their service over the last three years.



-Bro. Rodney



SESSION NOTES

REGULARLY STATED SESSION MEETING – July 26, 2015

The stated meeting of the Session was called to order on July 26, 2015 by Moderator, Rev. Rodney Harris, with a quorum declared at 12:05 p.m.

Elders present: Laura Kaelin, Michele O'Meara, Doris Shipp, Steve Skipper, Janet Turner, Steve Young.

Elders excused: Dick Gregory

Steve Skipper gave the opening prayer.

The minutes of the stated meeting of June 30, 2015 had been sent via private Facebook message to the Session and had been read and amended as directed. A paper copy of the minutes was reviewed by clerk Laura Kaelin and placed in the Session records book. Consent given to dispense with the reading of the minutes today and approve by vote. These minutes were approved by vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Building & Grounds Committee

- Noted the shrubbery had been trimmed and looks very nice. Don McLaughlin did the work for us. Special thanks Don for your service.

- Noted that the Scags lawn mower needs to be serviced.

Committee on Worship, Missions, & Christian Fellowship

- Communion was celebrated and enjoyed by all present on July 5

- The lunch and homemade ice cream social was enjoyed on July 12

- The Cumberland Presbyterian Churches in Jefferson County have been contacted (HeartSong, Louisville Japanese Christian Church, Trinity Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America, and First Church) in preparation for a joint worship service and potluck meal. The date has been tentatively set for Sunday, August 30 with First Church hosting the service and meal. The four ministers will meet and work out the details.

- The committee will review the church ministry calendar at the next committee meeting in August

- Marjorie and Doris have asked to be replaced as the co-chairs for the committee when the new committees meet in the fall.

Finance Committee

- A set of financial statements for June were reviewed and approved by vote. Noted that our expenditures were more than our income again this month. Monies that had been transferred into our checking account from the Mutual Funds Account in May had to be used in part during June.

Christian Education Committee

- An update on our Thursday night program was given.
- We recently attended a Louisville Bats baseball game on July 22 with about 21 in attendance
- We will be hosting a church wide meal and waterslide on Thursday night, July 30.
- Discussed the ongoing need for more volunteers to help in the Toddler Church and Nursery on Sundays. Due to a shortage in volunteers, the committee approved paying Susie Dittmeier \$30 a month to serve as the Toddler Church and Nursery worker with one Sunday off a month to attend services. This will be reviewed again in November. Susie enjoys working with the children.
- Steve Skipper updated us on his incentive plan for youth attending church services and youth meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

- Caleb Harris met with the Session and shared more sound system and needs. After further testing and evaluations, it appears that our sound board has some bad components which limits our current electronic needs. After some discussion, a motion was made and approved to purchase needed sound equipment up to \$3,000 as provided in an estimate from Caleb. Approved using \$800 left from the copier donation and \$2,200 from the Memorial Fund for the sound equipment.

- Noted that Janet is working on the church audit.

- The old office copier will be put on Craig's List with hopes to sell it for parts..

NEW BUSINESS

Noted that Elders Doris Shipp, Dick Gregory, and Michele O'Meara will rotate off the Session in September. Reviewed church membership for possible Elder nominees. Will be placing names into nomination for the election of Elders in August. Since our Session has been working with six Elders on the Session for about a year and a half, and after reviewing the ratio for membership to Session members, the Session approved by vote a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, August 16 to approve the reduction of Elders on the Session from seven to six.

Discussed upcoming Elder Election. A congregational meeting for the nomination and

information about the sanctuary

election of elders is set for Sunday, August 16 during our morning worship service. Installation is set for Sunday, September 20.

Noted that Ron and Wanda Caster have joined another church and their names will be removed from the church roll.

Reviewed our Elder Shepherding Ministry.

The next Stated Meeting is scheduled for August 23, 2015 after church.

Motion made and approved to adjourn the meeting with Doris Shipp offering the closing prayer.

Rev. Rodney Harris, Moderator
Laura Kaelin, Session Clerk

NEW ADDRESS

Garvin & Ethel Scott

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Senior Living Center
3451 South Hurstbourne Pkwy
Apartment # 235
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LOUISVILLE CUMBERLAND PRESEBTYERIANCH CHURCHES

HEARTSONG ... TRINITY
JAPANESE CHRISTIAN
FELLOWSHIP ... FIRST

JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE POTLUCK

**SUNDAY
AUGUST 30**

10:30 AM

... great day in the Lord.



This July was a memorable one at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church! We had 48 and a half people (Baby T) venture out for our annual water slide. It was a wonderful time of fellowship for our church family as well as for a few visitors. The good folks of First Church were in no way short on unorthodox ways to travel down a water and plastic draped hillside. Most were seated and went forward, but some slid backward, side-ways, head-first, and one young man even rolled until the inevitable sliding sent them grudgingly downward. The First Cumberland sliders even went in couples, threesomes, quartets, and quintets. One quintet of boys had a member who broke off from the bunch at the beginning and therefore slid a little slower than the rest, creating an unplanned accident that would likely cause a reminiscing of the kind of crashing found in bowling alleys. We also had a great Ice Cream Social and Gospel Sing on the 12th. A full-bellied congregation enjoyed singing the old gospel classics and several people shared musical specials. It was a powerful experience and the Holy Spirit could surely be felt throughout the sanctuary. Our church also made one of our popular trips out to Slugger Field and enjoyed watching the Louisville Bats play.

Even though school will be starting soon, there is still plenty of great weather to enjoy this summer, and we plan to take advantage of it! We still have some special youth outings and a lock-in penciled in for next month. If you can make it, be sure to join us on Thursday nights! It is an excellent way to learn more about God and grow closer to Him! Our intimate settings allow a private nonjudgmental environment to ask all of the questions you've been wondering about and provides a great place to bounce ideas off others. I hope to see you soon! God Bless you!

CONGRATULATIONS TO CALEB O'MEARA who was elected as Vice President of the Louisville Zoo Youth Board. Caleb has been a volunteer there for a number of years. Caleb is the son of Sean and Michele O'Meara and a Sophomore at Butler High School.

-Steve Skipper
Young Adult & Youth Leader

August Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Ushers



USHERS & GREETERS

Aug 1 Liz Ann Middleton
Aug 10 Cheryl Fugate
Aug 11 Jonathan Blair
Aug 14 Richard Roth
Aug 16 Sean O'Meara
Aug 16 Laura Kaelin
Aug 16 Mandy Champa
Aug 15 Mike Zimmerman
Aug 19 Laney Wagner
Aug 29 Christian O'Meara
Aug 31 Carri Roth

August 7
Richard and Carri Roth (2004)
August 19
Sean & Michele O'Meara
August 22
John & Joyce Lee

August 2
Laura Kaelin & Liz Ann
Middleton
August 9
Steve Skipper & Caleb
O'Meara
August 16
Ralph & Carol Hawkins
August 23
Scott & Teresa Taylor
August 30
Josh Richards & Karen
Faughender

CURRENT CHURCH SESSION

Dick Gregory, Laura Kaelin,
Michele O'Meara, Doris
Shipp, Steve Skipper, Janet
Turner, and Steve Young

**We need
your
help.
Would
you be
willing to
serve as
an usher
for the
church?
Let
Michele
know.**



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smartphone / tablet or click the
image)



Our Prayer Concerns

CHURCH FAMILY

Randi Murray (Home recovering from surgery); Doris Shipp; Mary Ann Robinson; Steve & Wanda Young (Auto accident/ tests); Janet Turner; Doris Shipp; Garvin Scott; Blenda Allamon; Tony Champa (Health); Linda Zimmerman (Physical therapy).

RELATIVES & FRIENDS

Paul Hawkins - Prostate Cancer (Ralph's brother); Darlene Vaughn (Home recovering - Triple by-pass Surgery); Patsy Meeks (Accidental fall); Carolyn Paschall (Janet Turner's Cousin - Leg amputation); Dorothy Blue - cancer (Cheryl Fugate's relative); Michael Zimmerman (Crohn's Disease); Friends of Brenda Sorg (Bucky and Mrs. D.); Paul Middleton (Liz Middleton's uncle); Dylan Rose (Bob & Ann's great grandson - Loss of Hearing); Theresa Cook (Bob & Ann Rose's friend - Health); Susie Dittmeier's sister-in-law (cancer)

MILITARY

Kyle Johnson; Kyle Lindsey; Matthew A. White; Marty Baldwin

SHUT-INS

Eloise Becker; Connie Petty; Dawny Porter; Dick Gregory; Mary Frances Ford, Garvin & Ethel Scott.

PRAYER LIST

If someone you know is ill, recovering from an illness, having surgery, struggling for life, etc., and needs prayer or attention, please, call the Church Office. If someone you know is on the prayer list that is doing better, please, call so we can correct and/or update the list.

Shively Area Ministries

SAM continues to need food to distribute to families in need. Please place nonperishable food in the food barrel in the foyer.

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

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Dick Gregory
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Dawny Porter
4035 Blanton Lane
Louisville, KY. 40216

SOME HUMOR TO ENJOY

"My memory is gone Mildred, so I changed my password to "Incorrect." That way when I log in with the wrong password, the computer will tell me... "Your password is incorrect."

"Sugar why don't you sit down by the table and we'll start supper." Said Dorothy to her Husband of 50 years. "Sure thing," said her husband settling himself down. "Now darling, would you like the soup first or the salad?" Questioned Dorothy. "Umm I guess I'll take the soup." He responded. After a whole meal of one endearing term after another, their guest Bob couldn't contain his curiosity any longer. Bob snuck into the kitchen and asked, "Dorothy do you always talk to your husband like that?" "Bob, I'll be honest with you," Dorothy replied. "It's been five years now, I just can't remember his name, and I am just too embarrassed to ask him!"

"Hi! My name is Gertrude," said the lady next to him on the plane. "It's so nice to meet you! I'm flying to New York for my grandson's third birthday. I'm so excited! I remember when he was just a little thumbkin and now he's already three! It's really hard to believe. He's the most adorable thing you've ever seen! You know what? Hold on, I think I might have a picture on me. Let me take a look in my purse, yes, here it is, just look at him, isn't he adorable. Do you see his dimple on his left cheek? Simply adorable! I could stare at his picture all day. Oh my, and you should hear him on the phone! He is just the cutest, he says to me in the cutest voice "Hi Grandma!" It just gets me all teary eyed." After what seemed like two hours for the poor man sitting next to her, Gertrude seemed to realize that perhaps she was talking a bit too much. "You know, I feel terrible! Here I am just talking and talking without letting you get in a word edgewise! Tell me..what do you think about my Grandson!"

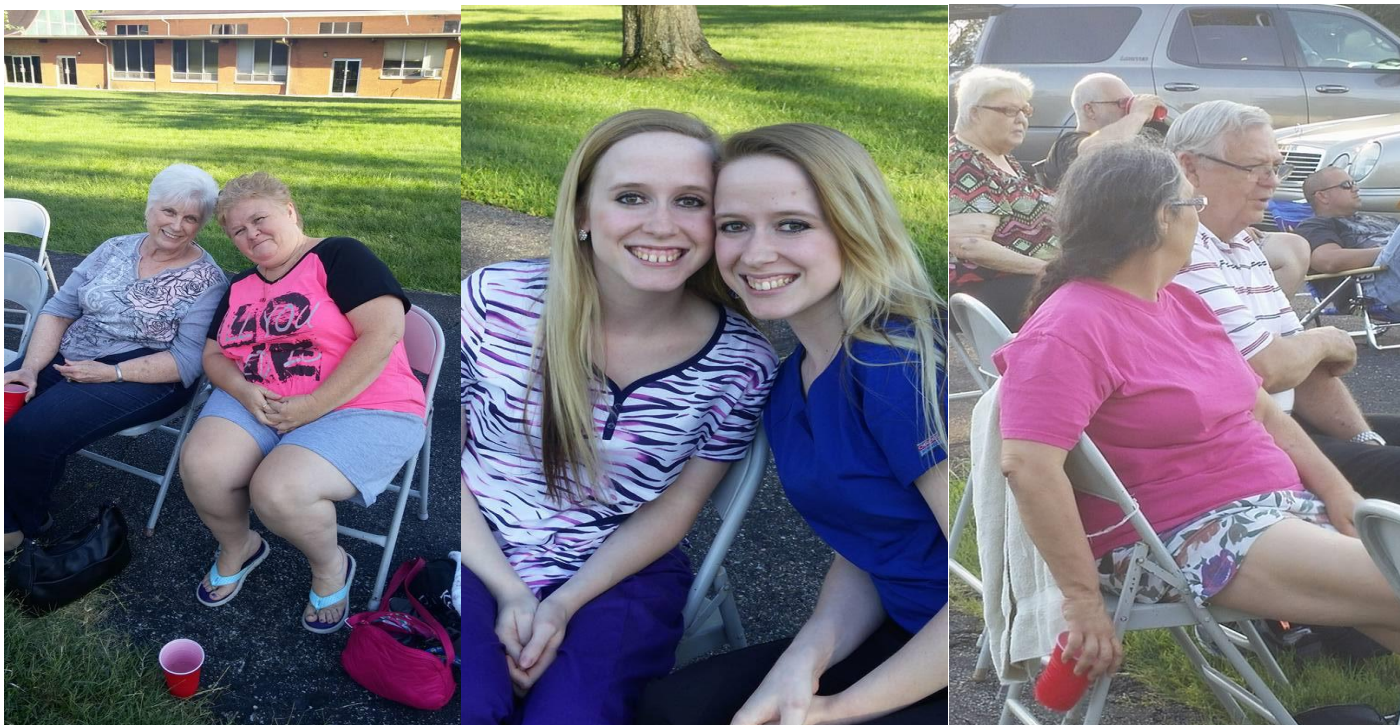
~ August 2015 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Be in PRAYER for our Nation						1
2 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 11:45 Session Summit	3	4	5	6 Noon Cake Club 5:00 Children & Youth groups 6:00 Pizza Meal 6:30 Adult Groups 7:30 Choir	7	8 Presbyterial Bosard Meetings in Bowling Green
9 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship 11:45 Board of Worship Meeting	10	11	12 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR JCPS	13 5:00 Children & Youth groups 6:00 Meal 6:30 Adult Groups 7:30 Choir	14	15 Presbyterial Council Meeting in Bowling Green
16 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Congregational Meeting/Election of Elders	17	18	19	20 Travelling Thursday	21	22
23 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Worship Noon Session Meeting	24	25	26	27 5:00 Children & Youth groups 6:00 Meal 6:30 Adult Groups 7:30 Choir	28	29
30 9:30 Sunday School 10:30 Joint CPC Worship Noon Potluck	31					

GIANT WATERSLIDE ON THE HILL







SOME NOT SO EAGER TO GET WET ... ENJOYING THE WATERSLIDE ...

