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Don't Forget

potluck this Sunday



December 7, 2017 Friendship Class





themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Acts 2:42 NIV



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FCPC Sunday School classes have been sending postcards to those members of their class who haven't attended in a while. The hope is that by reaching out we will let them know we miss them and hope they will come back again soon! We are hoping to launch a similar effort with members we haven't

seen in church for a while as well. This is where we need YOUR help! Postcards will now be available at each usher station every Sunday. Please remember to take one (or more!), write a note and send it to someone you have missed seeing in church! So... look around, who have you been missing? Send them a postcard today! If you have any questions, please contact the church office or Sandra Felix.



This month's card

Our Staff

Dr. Courtney Krueger	Senior Pastor
Bruce ClarkOr	
Janice Guider	Administrative Assistant
Pam Foster	TLC Director
Holly Higgins	Financial Assistant
Tammi Long	Administrative Assistant
Gerald Peel	Director of Music
Bess WilliamsDirector	of Children & Families
Dr. Danny Williams	Pianist





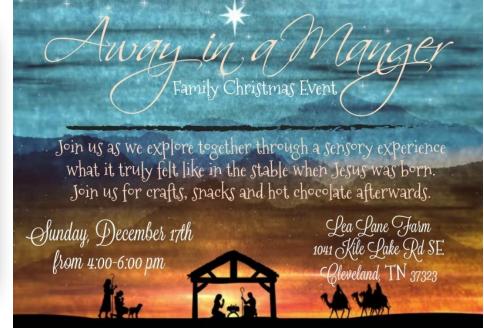
Simply Wait

By Courtney Krueger

I sometimes describe myself as being like a hurricane. I am full of energy and that energy tends to flow into everything that I do. But I also have a quiet center "eye." I have learned that I simply must spend time each day silently sitting in God's presence. Once a hurricane's eye dissipates, so does its energy and power. Likewise for me. On days that I use the excuse that I am too busy to spend time with God, I find that I lose energy and focus and power.

During the lead up to Christmas, we all tend to get very busy. We often make promises for things we will do, "after the holidays" or "in the new year." Instead of being a preparation for the coming of the Prince of Peace, December can be a loss of our quiet center and a corresponding loss of energy and power. My Sunday School class is using an Advent resource called "Simply Wait" this year. May I suggest that we all find ways each day in December to simply wait – to be quiet and prayerful in order to allow God to fill us with whatever we need to be a joyful, energetic hurricane of love for our community and world?





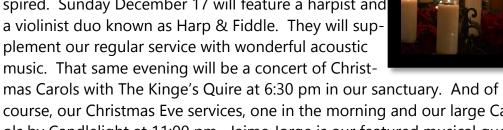
Women's Ministry

All ladies are invited to bring a finger food to share and celebrate the season at the Women's Ministry Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 5, at 11 am in the parlor. Please remember to bring your McClellan Foundation donations of cleaning products.

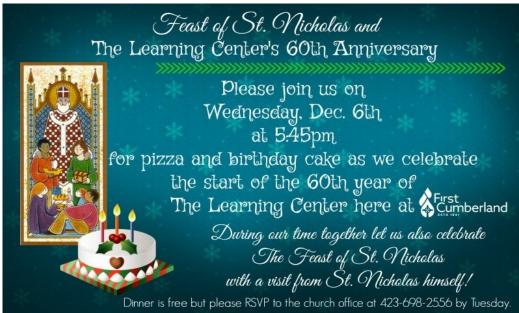
Music at First Cumberland in December

We are very excited about music in the month of December. This is typically our busiest month of the entire year. On Sunday morning December 3, we will decorate our sanctuary with the Hanging of the Greens service. This service involves our children, the chancel choir, and brass players.

Sunday morning December 10 features our chancel choir with a string orchestra presenting a Service of Carols. We are looking forward to being able to present many of our well-known carols with singing and instruments, so come prepared to sing and be inspired. Sunday December 17 will feature a harpist and a violinist duo known as Harp & Fiddle. They will supplement our regular service with wonderful acoustic music. That same evening will be a concert of Christ-



course, our Christmas Eve services, one in the morning and our large Carols by Candlelight at 11:00 pm. Jaime Jorge is our featured musical guest for that evening. We hope and pray that your Advent and Christmas will be truly blessed by the music in this season!

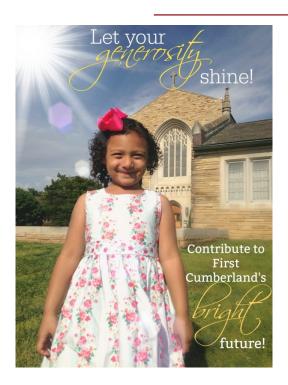




Angie Dyer	12/01
Nancy Stevens	12/01
Danny Kelley	12/02
Chip Garrett	12/03
Anthony Martino	12/04
Stephanie Smith	12/04
Janet Battersby	12/05
Lou Ford	12/05
Donna Golden	12/06
Dani Atchley	12/07
Britton Rusk	12/07
Reed McCroskey	12/08
Amelia Sykes	12/08
Maida Rardin	12/09
Jan Spencer	12/09
Lila Cromwell	12/11
Sandra Robinson	12/11
Matthew Sellers	12/11
Brad Holmes	12/12
Jenni Faires	12/14
Elizabeth Schrader	12/14
Laurie Harvey	12/15
Ava Marye	12/15
	12/16
Betty Brown	12/17
Kim Craven	12/17
Linda Boran	12/19
Janice Carpenter	12/19
Marie Young	12/19
Andy Stone	12/20
Andrew Rider	12/21
Janis Johnson	12/24
Larry Hamsley	12/25
Lauren Dupree	12/26
Gina Delgado	12/27
Helene Dondero	12/27
William C. Kirk, IV	12/28
Steve Koozer	12/28
Lea Krueger	12/29
Marcus Burrows	12/30

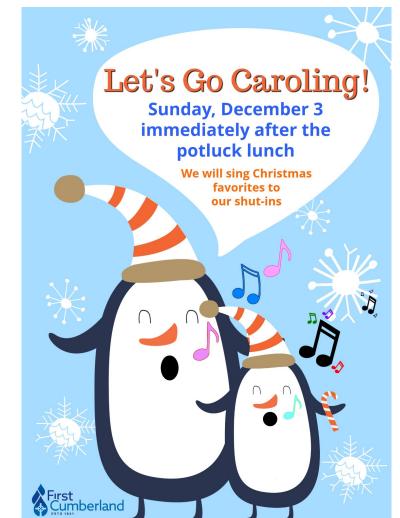


Our magnificent sanctuary will be decorated for the Advent/ Christmas season during the worship service on Sunday, December 3 at 11 am. Music provided by our chancel choir, our children, and brass.



This Christmas season, you have two special opportunities to let your generosity shine. Watch your mail for a special letter explaining how you can be a part of both the short-term and long-term future of First Cumberland Presbyterian.





Please Note:

December 22 & 25 the Church office and TLC will be closed for the Christmas holiday.



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December 20th (Choir will practice at 7:15 pm) December 27