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Jesus said, "I have come as light to the world, so that everyone who believes in me will not remain in darkness. John 12:46

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Reformation Sunday **Sunday, October 29**

Celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation during the last Sunday of October. It was 500 years ago that Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses on the door of the Wittenberg Castle church, initiating the Protestant Reformation. Our worship on the last Sunday of the month will focus on this historic event and our Protestant heritage as Cumberland Presbyterians.

The Loaves & Fishes Offering

Consists of Cumberland Presbyterian (CP) churches requesting paper boxes from the Missions Ministry Team and distributing them to church members. The boxes are taken home by church members and come back filled with offerings to be dedicated. This year, the Loaves & Fishes Offering will be going to Choctaw Presbytery.

Your gifts to the Loaves & Fishes Offering will purchase groceries such as fresh produce and food staples to help Cumberland Presbyterians and many others during the fall and winter months in Oklahoma. Your generous support will provide the congregations in Choctaw Presbytery the financial means to address hunger in their neighborhood not just for 2017 but for years to come.

Please support the 2017 Loaves & Fishes Offering in your congregation. Imagine the impact we can make when we partner with our Choctaw Cumberland Presbyterian brothers and sisters in addressing hunger in their community. Imagine the impact we can make when 82 people become more than 68,000 Cumberland Presbyterians and 7 churches become almost 700. Additional ways to support the Offering is to encourage your women's group to dedicate their monthly offering; ask your men's fellowship to provide support through their fundraiser; take up a special offering in your Sunday School classes; and have your youth group and children's church participate this year. Joining together, we can increase the impact Choctaw Presbytery has in feeding the community by giving others "something to eat" now and in subsequent years.

We will return our Loaves and Fishes Offerings on Sunday Night, November 19 in a service following our Family Night dinner.

Hunger is a reality for many Tennesseans

Each day, 1 in 4 Tennessee children face the risk of hunger, and 25% of Tennessee households with children are food insecure. A household is considered food insecure if there is limited or uncertain access to enough food to support a healthy life. Statistically, 1 in 6 Tennesseans is hungry.

Psalm 146 declares that to care for the poor and downtrodden is central to the nature of God.

"Praise the Lord! . . . Happy are those whose hope is in the Lord his God, who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith fore ever; who executes justice for the oppressed; who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous. The Lord watches over the sojourners, he upholds the widow and the fatherless."

Ronald Sider, his book "Rich Christians in an Age of Hunger," makes a bold statement. He points out that in Scripture defending the weak, the stranger, and the oppressed is as much an expression of God's essence as creating the universe. Because of who God is, Yahweh lifts up the mistreated. The foundation of Christian concern for the hungry is that God cares especially for them.

Let's remember the hungry in this season of Thanks.

Need help or know someone who does?

Central Services in Morristown services Hamblen County, offers a wide variety of resources to help with Housing Assistance, Food and Utility Bills. They also cooperate with various food pantries, soup kitchens, and feeding sites in the community.
2450 S Cumberland St, Morristown, TN 37813 423.856.9431
mhcentralservices.org

Appalachian Outreach in Jefferson County assists Jefferson County residents with Food, and in Jefferson and Hamblen Counties with Clothing, Home Repair, as well as a Shelter for Women and Children.
190 W Old Andrew Johnson Hwy, Jefferson City, TN 37760 865.475.5611
aoministry.org

The Talbott Food Pantry also offers food to residents local to this area. TCPC donates monthly to this ministry.
Contact Sue Smelcer 865.674.6138

WHAT'S HAPPENING!



The shoeboxes are in the narthex. Please take one (or more) and return to the church by Sunday, November 12.

MINUTES OF THE CHURCH SESSION

The Session of Talbott Cumberland Presbyterian Church met in a called meeting on Sunday, September 3, 2017 at the church. The meeting was called to order at 12:25pm by Moderator Pro-Tem Jeanie Saunders. Elder Richard Snowden led in the opening prayer.

Elders present were: Lonnie Knight, Jim Rolen, Terry Sanders, Jeanie Saunders, Richard Snowden, and Allen Williamson.

A quorum was present.

Business included:

- a) Nominations have been submitted by the congregation for the next class of elders and deacon. Names to be presented in a congregational meeting will be Larry Knoll and Jeanie Saunders for elders for the class of 2020 and Gale Knoll for deacon for the class of 2020.
- b) A congregational meeting will be Sunday, September 17, 2017 with presbytery appointed moderator Rev. Dr. Howard Shipley conducting the meeting immediately following the morning worship service.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Elder Jim Rolen.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The congregation of Talbott Cumberland Presbyterian Church meet in a congregational meeting on Sunday, September 17, 2017 at 11:55am, immediately following the morning worship service. Presbytery of East Tennessee appointed moderator the Rev. Dr. Howard Shipley called the meeting to order and led in the opening prayer.

The names of Jeanie Saunders and Larry Knoll were presented to the congregation as the Elder Class of 2020 and the name of Gale Knoll was presented as the Deacon Class of 2020. The floor was opened for additional nominations. Being none, these presented nominations were elected by acclamation. Rev. Dr. Shipley conducted a service of ordination for Elder Larry Knoll and Deacon Gale Knoll.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Rev. Dr. Shipley.

Fall Bible Study with Dr. Gerald Borchert Paul's Epistle to the Romans

Sunday nights—October 15 & 29, November 5 & 12

Join biblical scholar and writer, Gerald Borchert in a study of Paul's letter to the Romans. In his theological epistle, the apostle reveals many deep truths about the Gospel of Christ Jesus. Dr. Borchert explores the book's context and its message for us today. Borchert has his Ph.D. in New Testament from Princeton and has written more than a dozen books studying the Scriptures. He also is one of the translators of the New Living Translation of the Bible and has guided hundreds of visitors through the Holy Land.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

NOVEMBER

- 05 Patsy Houpt
24 Daniel Griggs

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 11/18 Larry & Gale Knoll

THOSE SERVING FOR THE MONTH

Elder of the Month – Lonnie Knight

Deacon of the Month – Gail Knoll

Greeters for November- Jane Satterfield

& Mike Stanbery.

Greeter for December- Susan Griggs

Prayer of Gifts and Self

- 10/29 Gereldean Carmichael
11/05 Terry Sanders
11/12 Jeanie Saunders
11/19 Marianne Sharp
11/26 Gereldean Carmichael
12/03 Terry Sanders

To those of you who are reading this newsletter and do not have a church home, we welcome you to join us!

Illuminate Service – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Worship – 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship –7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Activities

Meal – 6:00 p.m.

Bible Study – 6:45 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal – 7:15 p.m.

If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, please make sure we have your correct email address.

CHURCH WEBSITE:

Our new church website with weekly updated information is now up. The new site is talbotcpc.org

Elders

Class of 2018	Class of 2019	Class of 2020
Lonnie Knight	Richard Snowden	Larry Knoll
Terry Sanders	Allen Williamson	Jeanie Saunders

Deacons

Class of 2018	Class of 2019	Class of 2020
Ron Saunders	Peggy Long	Gale Knoll

Upcoming Events

Oct 29	Building Fund Offering Reformation Sunday
Nov 5	Food Pantry Drive 11:00 am Communion Service 7:00 pm Worship Service
Nov 14	6:00 pm CPWM Meeting
Nov 19	Loaves & Fishes Service, Offering and Dinner
Nov 23	Happy Thanksgiving!
Nov 26	Building Fund Offering
Dec 3	Food Pantry Drive 11:00 am Communion Service 7:00 pm Worship Service

LifeCare Service

Please remember to join us for an evening of worship and fellowship at LifeCare of Jefferson City date and time to be announced.

C.P.W.M. Meeting

The ladies will be having their monthly meeting on Tuesday Nov. 14th, at 6:00pm at the church. Bring a light snack to pass. Come join us.

C.P.W.M. LADIES NIGHT OUT!

The Cumberland Presbyterian Women Ladies Night Out date TBA.

Community Food Pantry Needs

Please remember that the first Sunday of the month, is the day we collect for our monthly Food Drive that goes to the local food pantry. Let us challenge ourselves to do all that we can in our giving!

Exploring Jesus' Parables

This month's sermons take us deep into Jesus' parables as we read the New Testament lessons. Join your church family Sunday mornings as we examine the stories of Christ that have changed the world.

- November 5 – Parable of the Mustard Seed
- November 12 – Parable of the Bridesmaids
- November 19 – Parable of the Talents
- November 26 – Parable of the Sheep and Goats

Wednesday Night Meals

Our Wednesday night meals continue in November with great food and an emphasis on New Testament Bible study. We will delve into the book of Acts of the Apostles as we learn how the early church lived out its new and vibrant faith. The evening will include some activities for children and young people, a time of prayer, free meals, and wonderful fellowship. Make Wednesday nights at the church an important part of your week.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Church Family in our Thoughts and Prayers:

Prayer Concerns:

Sal & Carol Aversa
Larry Brooks
Susan Cain
Tom Cain
Joseph Dietz
Amanda Eldridge
Kathleen Garrett
Ellen Horner
Ralph Lamb
Phyllis Knight
Robert Nicley
B.J. Rolen
John Spain
Bill Speck
Michael Stanbery

Praise GOD!

Julia Golden
Allen Houpt
Norma Stanbery

SYMPATHY to the families of:

Ronnie Horner
Howard Welch
Karla Sexton
Mary Vaughn

MISSIONARIES:

Daniel & Kay Jang
Korean Mission
Matt & Heather Wallace
Glenn Watts

Please remember those listed in the weekly bulletins that may not be listed here.

THANK YOU!

THANKS for the all the special donations given to the church, building or stained glass funds.

Thank you for participating in our "Welcome Week" for area churches. It was such a great turnout. Taking the time out of your busy schedule to great and welcome students is greatly appreciated.

Carson-Newman University.

Dear Ladies,

Just wanted you to know how much we appreciate the prayers and your friendship. Thank you for all of the cards and phone calls, it is wonderful to know we are never alone!

Tom wanted me to say "please keep our pew seat warm, we will be back!!"

Tom & Susan Cain

Children in Church Humor:

Six-year old Angie and her four-year old brother Joel were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang, and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church."

"Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked.

Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door?"

They're hushers."

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For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light.
 Live as children of light-- Ephesians 5:8

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