

THE CUMBERLAND CHRONICLE

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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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ADVENT

December 3, The First Sunday of Advent
6:00pm Ring in the Holidays with Christmas
Music (hand bells)

December 10, The Second Sunday of Advent
6:00pm Service of Lessons & Carols

December 17, The Third Sunday of Advent
11:00pm Choir Christmas Music – "Sing Noel"
6:00pm Children's Christmas Stories,
Cookies, and Hot Chocolate

December 24, The Fourth Sunday of Advent
5:00pm Christmas Eve Communion Service

Celebrating Christmas Together

Who can you invite to join us this month as we celebrate Jesus' birth? Consider these opportunities:

Ring in the Holidays with Christmas Music

December 3, 6:00 p.m

Make a joyful noise this December as we sing carols and ring in the season with simple hand bells. Listen to stories of Christmas memories from our TCPC family in this holiday event and go home with a special Christmas ornament.

Holiday Parades

Morristown, Thursday night, December 7

Jefferson City, Saturday afternoon, December 9

Ride the TCPC Float, waving to spectators as we spread the joy of the holiday season and get our name out into the community. Contact David Littleton for details.

Sing Noel

December 17, 11 a.m.

Celebrate the holidays with beautiful Christmas music performed by the TCPC Choir. Enjoy the cantata "Sing Noel," and reflect of the meaning of the season.

Children's Christmas Nativity, Cookies, and Hot Chocolate

December 17, 6 p.m.

For the young at heart, children of all ages are invited to join us in the sanctuary as we reenact the story of the nativity. We'll then head to the Fellowship Hall for cookie decorating and ginger bread house making. Bakers, you are welcome to bring samples of your Christmas cookies to share and swap. Got milk? Don't worry, we'll supply milk and hot chocolate.

Christmas Eve Morning Service

December 24, 11 a.m.

Ready your heart for Christmas day in morning worship as Karen brings a message about the birth of the Prince of Peace.

Christmas Eve Communion & Candlelight Service

December 24, 5 p.m.

Celebrate Christmas Eve with a wonderful TCPC tradition. The service includes communion, candle lighting, and a brief homily on the Light of the World by Mark. Join your church family for one of the most special nights of the year.

Christmas Blessings from Karen and Mark

As the year draws to a close we thank God for the blessing of being called to ministry at TCPC. It's a joy for us to celebrate the holiday traditions of the church with you as well as to develop new traditions that remind us of Jesus' birth. You have been a blessing to us this year and we look forward to a wonderful holiday season with you and a blessed new year as together we serve God in this place.

WHAT'S HAPPENING!



This year the TCPC Church Family collected 27 shoeboxes.



It's that time of year! The **Angel Tree** is going up at LifeCare of Jefferson City. If you would like the name of a resident along with some gift suggestions, or if you would like to make a donation so a gift may be purchased, see Mitzi Sanders. Thank you!

THANK YOU!

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

Thanks for anonymous gift of the new kitchen knives.

This year The Loaves & Fishes Offering will be going to Choctaw Presbytery. We collected \$532.00. 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.

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the cards. That was a total Surprise and they come at a very good time. Larry was pretty low. It is so nice to have your day brighten by such wonderful comments from home. I'm sure all those prayers are helping to get his low blood results turned around. We miss seeing everyone and look forward to coming back to church and also coming home the end of next month.

Larry & Jane Brooks

Hi Church Family,

We miss you all and you are an awesome group! It doesn't Take long to get home sick in this big city, not seeing any Fields, barns, animals and family. We thank you so much For your kind and generous monetary gift. It is such a Comfort and blessing to have such wonderful, caring and Loving church family. You will always be special to us. May God's blessing be with each of you.

Love Larry & Jane Brooks

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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- 05 Garrett Breeden
- 08 Jane Brooks
- 10 Larry Knoll
- 11 Mitzi Sanders
- 16 Linda Littleton
- 17 Carole Aversa
- 19 Isabella Saunders
- 27 Susan Cain
- 29 Lance Saunders
- 29 Allen Williamson

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 12/05 Allen & Rita Williamson
- 12/27 Eugene & Jean Garrett

THOSE SERVING FOR THE MONTH

Elder of the Month – Richard Snowden

Deacon of the Month – Ron Saunders

Greeters for December- Susan Griggs

Greeters for January- Larry & Gale Knoll

Prayer of Gifts and Self

- 12/03 Terry Sanders
- 12/10 Jeanie Saunders
- 12/17 Marianne Sharp
- 12/24 Gereldean Carmichael
- 12/31 Terry Sanders
- 01/07 Jeanie Saunders

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 –6:00 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**

Upcoming Events

- Dec 3 **Food Pantry Drive**
World Communion Sunday
11:00 am Communion Service
6:00 pm Christmas Music
- Dec 10 **21st Church anniversary**
6:00 pm Lessons and Carols service.
- Dec 17 **11:00 am Sing Noel!**
6:00 pm Children's Christmas
- Dec 19 **7:00 pm Worship at Life Care Jeff.**
- Dec 24 **11:00 am Christmas Eve. Morning Service**
5:00 pm Communion & Candlelight Service
- Dec 25 **Merry Christmas!**
- Dec 31 **Building Fund Offering**
- Jan 01 **Happy New Year**
- Jan 07 **Food Pantry Drive**
11:00 am Communion Service
7:00 pm Worship Service

Sunday December 10, 2017, we observe the 21st anniversary in our "new church". Our first morning worship service here was The Second Sunday of Advent, December 8, 1996.

LifeCare Service

Please remember to join us for an evening of worship and fellowship at LifeCare of Jefferson City on Dec. 19th, at 7:00PM.

C.P.W.M. Meeting

Due to the holiday season the ladies will not be having their monthly meeting.

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

The Cumberland Presbyterian Women Ladies Night Out will resume in January.

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

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
 B.J. Rolen
 John Spain
 Bill Speck
 Michael Stanbery

Praise GOD!

Sherri Brown

SYMPATHY to the families of:

Bill Kinder
 Matt Livesay
 Joey Knight
 Billy Tittle
 Marion Long
 Charles & Jackie
 Carol McDaniel
 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.

Children in Church Humor:

One particular four-year old prayed, "And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."

The Sunday School Teacher asks, "Now, Johnny, tell me frankly do you say prayers before eating?" "No sir," little Johnny replies, "I don't have to. My Mom is a good cook."

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!

Got Books?

Our lovely library could use some updating. If you have items from the last decade or two that you would like to share with the library, please bring them to the church. We are especially looking for Bible helps, DVDs, Christian or secular self help books, Christian fiction, youth and children's books of all types and even games or puzzles that can be shared.

Also, consider bringing or purchasing a copy of your favorite book or DVD and we'll put it on a "Favorite's shelf". Please put a note in it with your name and why you love it. Thanks for sharing.

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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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