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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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New Year to Worship at Talbott CP Church

This week we completed the Cumberland Presbyterian classes required for our ordinations to be recognized by the denomination. Over the course of the last six months, we have studied Cumberland Presbyterian history, including the formation of the CP Church in 1810 in a log house in Dickson County, Tennessee. We learned CP polity and practiced leading a Presbytery meeting. We studied CP Theology I & II and grew more committed to our Confession of Faith as an interpretive guide to understanding the Scriptures and our faith. Since it has been 30 years since we graduated from seminary, this has been a wonderful chance to engage in fascinating theological discussions, probe the Bible in new ways, read the latest scholarship on congregational health and growth, and connect with CP scholars and ministers.

We begin the year excited about new possibilities! Our January focus is on heartfelt worship. On Epiphany Sunday we welcome special guest Dr. Connie Bull who will share her musical gifts in morning worship and will lead an evening program entitled "The Wonders of Worship." Connie completed her Doctorate of Ministry in Worship Studies. She loves to share her gifts as a harpist and flautist and to encourage congregants to think of worship as an opportunity to interact with God. The following Sunday evenings in the month, we will reflect on Richard Foster's five spiritual streams and consider how they can give life to the experience of worship at our church. We hope you plan to attend services and engage with us as we think about worship in new ways.

On Wednesday evenings we will continue with our wonderful church family meals and our study of the Acts of the Apostles. We will examine Peter's encounter with Cornelius and his miraculous escape from prison. The study continues to examine what the life of the first century church has to teach us at Talbott CP Church this year.

The New Year brings new opportunities Talbott CP Church. There is much to celebrate. Make it a commitment to be involved. And, if God is laying a ministry on your heart, please share it with us. What might God do through you?

Drs. Mark & Karen Borchert

Epiphany Sunday January 7, 2018

Celebrate as Dr. Connie Bull, Minister, Musician and Harpist joins us in morning worship and leads us in the evening program entitled "Wonders of Worship."

WHAT'S HAPPENING!

Denomination Day Celebration!

Come join the 208th Denomination Day Celebration on Sunday, Jan. 28th, at 3:30pm, at the Fairview Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

The service will be about **Celebrating a Cloud of Witnesses**. The Presbyterial Choir will be participating, along with several other choirs and soloists.

For those interested in joining the Presbyterial Choir, meet at TCPC on Sunday, Jan. 7th and 21st at 2:30pm for practice.

There will be a meal provided for a donation after the service. Please make reservations no later than Monday, Jan.22nd, by contacting the Fairview Church @ (423)639-9011.

THANK YOU!

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

In memory of Bernard & Cora Horner and Becky Horner McClane.

In memory of Carl Knight.

In memory of Ben Slabbekorn.

In memory of Vaughn Stanbery

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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- 01 Beth Horner
- 02 Sandra Key
- 06 Howard White
- 09 David Saunders
- 09 John Spain
- 09 Walter West
- 21 David Littleton
- 23 Sue Ellen Carroll
- 30 Edith Quarles

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

1/03 Johnny & Gereldean Carmichael

THOSE SERVING FOR THE MONTH

Elder of the Month – Allen Williamson Deacon of the Month – Peggy Long Greeters for January- Larry & Gale Knoll Greeters for February- Cassie Slabbekorn

Prayer of Gifts and Self

- 01/07 Jeanie Saunders
- 01/14 Marianne Sharp
- 01/21 Jim Rolen
- 01/28 Gereldean Carmichael
- 02/04 Terry Sanders
- 02/11 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 **talbottcpc.org**

Upcoming Events

- Dec 31 Building Fund Offering
- Jan 01 Happy New Year!
- Jan 07 Food Pantry Drive 11:00 am Communion Service 6:00 pm Worship Service
- Jan 09 6:00 pm CPWM Meeting
- Jan 16 7:00 pm Worship at Life Care Jeff.
- Jan 25 Ladies Night Out!
- Jan 28Building Fund Offering3:30 pm Denomination Day Celebration
- Feb 4 Food Pantry Drive 11:00 am Communion Service 6:00 pm Worship Service

LifeCare Service

Please remember to join us for an evening of worship and fellowship at LifeCare of Jefferson City on Jan. 16th, at 7:00PM.

C.P.W.M. Meeting

The ladies will be having their monthly meeting on Tuesday Jan. 9th, 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 will be on Jan. 25th @ 6:00pm. Please R.S.V.P. to Geraldean Carmichael.

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

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.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Church Family in our Thoughts and Prayers: **Prayer Concerns:**

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

Praise GOD!

Angie Davis Greg Wagner

SYMPATHY to the families of:

Karla Sexton Helen Stiner Buddy Catlett Alma Campbell L. T. Helton J. C. Williams Sherman Blakenship Bradco Barding Ima Jean Foster Bill Kinder Matt Livesay

MISSIONARIES:

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

<u>Please remember those listed in the weekly</u> <u>bulletins that may not be listed here.</u>

Church Bulletin Humor:

These sentences have actually appeared in church bulletins or in typewritten announcements for church services.

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water." The sermon tonight "Searching for Jesus."

The peace making meeting scheduled for today has been canceled due to a conflict.

Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community.

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