

# ***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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## **Summer's Coming**

It's a great time for the church to gather together for fellowship and fun. We're glad you are a part of the church and we look forward to getting to know you even more as the summer's schedules are a bit more relaxing. Take an opportunity this summer to join us for church activities as well as to gather in one another's homes. Let's practice hospitality toward each other as well as toward those who might join us in the upcoming months!

Karen & Mark

## **Tranquility**

Over the past weeks I have been out of my typical routine and have had the opportunity to try some new things. I joined a book club at the library, took some line dancing classes and made have made a number of new and interesting friends. But the most meaningful thing I've tried is to focus on being tranquil. With wedding preparations underway and medical challenges testing our mettle, tranquility can be an elusive commodity.

Here is what I have learned. Tranquility isn't easy to come by, but, little by little, as I open myself to tranquil moments during the day, it builds. I've tried two things. First I try to structure in some focused time to meditate, to quiet myself, focus on breath, reflecting on God's good gifts, emptying myself of worries. And on busy days I snatch moments of reflection. I take a moment to thank God for warm soapy water while washing dishes, or notice the beauty of sunny dandelions as I unload groceries.

I recommend it, this tranquility. It is an amazing pursuit. Join me. I would love to hear your stories.

Karen

## **Got a Fire Pit?**

Wouldn't it be fun to gather around a fire-pit and chat with friends this summer? If you have a fire pit and would like to host an evening at your place in the upcoming months, please tell Karen or Mark. Sharing fellowship around a fire is a great way to get to know one another, and a wonderful opportunity to invite new friends.

## **May Hospitality Tip:**

Invite visitors to lunch. If there are no visitors, invite someone you don't know very well and make a new friend. It could change your life.

## **Wednesday Women of the Bible Series:**

In the upcoming weeks we'll reflect on some of the women of the Bible during our Wednesday evening programming. We'll have fun thinking about these women and reflecting upon the role they play in the Scriptures.

## It's Official!

If you haven't already, please take a moment and welcome our official co-pasters: Drs. Mark & Karen Borchert. Their official installation service was on 04/22/2018.

## THANK YOU!

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

### What a Shower!

A warm thank you to all who gave such lovely gifts and attended our wedding shower in April. Your generosity is so touching. I would like to offer a special thanks to all those who prepared and cleaned up for the big event. It was a lovely day! We appreciate your kindness.

With much love,

**Elissa Borchert & Conly Shults**

## WHAT'S HAPPENING!

**EASTERTIDE** (White). The Great Fifty Days, beginning on Easter Day, the festival of Christ's resurrection; Ascension Day, forty days after Easter, is celebrated to affirm that Jesus Christ is Lord of all times and places.

### Counting the Days!

Everyone, make plans to attend the Wedding of Elissa Borchert and Conly Shults! The Ceremony will be at 2:00 on Saturday May 26<sup>th</sup> at First Presbyterian Church, 105 N Elm Ave. Erwin, TN. If you prefer to ride, gather at the church at 11:45 as the church bus will leave at 12:00p.m...thanks to Terry Sanders. Following the ceremony, you are invited to attend a light reception at The Bramble.

Please RSVP on TheKnot.com website so we can be prepared for you!

### Summer Camp

The lazy days of summer are quickly approaching, and it is time to start thinking about camping fun. This summer's camps at John Spear are: June 10-14 grades 3-5; July 8-12 grades 6-8; and June 24-28 grades 9-12. Check out the John Spear Website for registration forms and for more information. Please let us know if you would like to help at camp this year!

### Mission Build

Make an impact! Join several other CP churches to help build a Habitat House in Tazwell, TN, the week of June 18-22. We hope to have a good team to help with the meaningful project. Please contact Bill Gaut 704.576.4211 with intent, or for any questions contact Jack Reed 423.470.2823 – mention you are calling from TCPC.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### **MAY**

- 2 Karen Borchert
- 5 Jane Satterfield
- 11 Darlene Gillispie
- 14 Lucas Rose
- 16 Larry Brooks
- 20 Myrna McDaniel
- 22 Nila Lamb
- 22 Terry Sanders
- 25 Mackenley Snowden
- 29 Phyllis Knight

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

- 05/05 Richard & Denzel Snowden
- 05/22 Matt & Jennifer Finley

## THOSE SERVING FOR THE MONTH

**Elder of the Month – Lonnie Knight**

**Deacon of the Month – Gale Knoll**

**Greeter for May- Susan Griggs**

**Greeters for June- Larry & Gale Knoll**

### Prayer of Gifts and Self

- 04/29 Marianne Sharp
- 05/06 Jim Rolen
- 05/13 Gereldean Carmichael
- 05/20 Terry Sanders
- 05/27 Jeanie Saunders
- 06/03 Marianne Sharp
- 06/10 Jim Rolen
- 06/17 Gereldean Carmichael
- 06/24 Terry Sanders
- 07/01 Jeanie Saunders

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

*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 [talbottpc.org](http://talbottpc.org)

## Upcoming Events

- April 29** Family Night.
- May 6** Food Pantry Drive  
11:00 am Communion Service  
6:00 pm Worship Service
- May 8** 6:00 pm CPWM Meeting
- May 15** 7:00 pm Worship at Life Care Jeff.
- May 24** Ladies Night Out!
- May 26** 2:00 pm Borchert & Shults Wedding!
- May 27** Family Night.
- May 28** Memorial Day
- June 3** Food Pantry Drive  
11:00 am Communion Service  
6:00 pm Worship Service
- June 12** 6:00 pm CPWM Meeting

### LifeCare Service

**Please remember to join us for an evening of worship and fellowship at LifeCare of Jefferson City on May 15th, at 7:00PM.**

### C.P.W.M. Meeting

**The ladies will be having their monthly meeting on Tuesday May 8th, at 6:00pm at the church. Bring a light snack to share. Come join us.**

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

**The Cumberland Presbyterian Women Ladies Night Out will be on May 24th. @ 6:00pm. Please R.S.V.P. to Gereldean 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!**

## 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. Rolan  
John Spain  
Bill Speck  
Michael Stanbery  
Mandi White

### Praise GOD!

Buddy Hopson

### SYMPATHY to the families of:

Tiffany L. Eldridge  
Mary C. Rogers  
Betty Welch

### 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.**

### Church Bulletin Humor:

Dear God,  
So far, today, I've done all right. I haven't gossiped or lost my temper. I haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, or self-centered. I'm really happy about that so far. But in a few minutes I'm going to be getting out of bed and then I'm going to need a lot of help. Thank you! Amen

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

Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.

The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.

### 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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Live as children of light-- Ephesians 5:8

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