



The Loudon Lamp

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THIS WEEK

- **Tuesday -Thursday**
Office is open 8 to 1:00
- **Tuesday – Men’s Fellowship** at 6:00, Crew #2
- **Wednesday –**
 - **Cumberland Kids** at 5:30
 - **Choir Practice** at 7:00
- **Graduate Recognition Sunday** will be May 5th. If you have a high school or college graduate, please let Beth know. We would like to have a short bio and picture for all high school graduates by April 28th.



THIS SUNDAY

9:00 – **Fellowship** with Coffee and Donuts in the Fellowship Hall
 9:30 – **Sunday School** Educational Opportunities for all ages in the classrooms. Virtual lesson “Faith of a Canaanite Woman” Matthew 15:21-28 by Wiley Brakebill
 • 10:30 - **Morning Worship** will include, the Apostle’s Creed, Special Music: “Same God” by Choir and Tone Chimes. Scriptures: John 15:1-8, 1 John 4:7-21. Hymns: “I Will Sing of the Mercies,” “God Will Take Care of You,” and “Be Still, My Soul”. Pastor has the Children’s Message and the Sermon will re-tell the story of “Philip and the Ethiopian” from Acts 8:26-40.
 12:00 **Tone Chimes** with Beth.

NEW MEMBER

Welcome Darrell Tuck to the full faith and fellowship of membership in our Church. Darrell has been an active part of our church for some time and moves his membership on a Reaffirmation of Faith from Central Baptist. Join me in extending the right hand of Christian Fellowship to Darrell!

WELCOME GRIFFEN SMITH

Griffen is our new Pastoral Intern and Children’s and Youth Activities Director effective May 1st. He has supplied the pulpit for us in the past and is a Candidate for the Ministry. Griffen has a B.A. with Majors in French and Religious Studies and is presently a Graduate Assistant in a Master’s program at the University of Tennessee. He is active at the Beaver Creek Cumberland Presbyterian Church and volunteers time with the youth and our Presbyterial camps. Join me in welcoming Griffen to our Church family!

PASTORAL CARE

What a wonderful Sunday when our family grows. We “officially” welcome Darrell Tuck into our LCPC Family even though we’ve considered him ours for a while now. We pray God will lead his steps and bring Spiritual fulfillment!!

We are so very happy to have Griffen Smith joining us as Children and Youth Activities Director and Pastoral Intern. We are so very excited to welcome him as an official member of our staff.

Congratulations to Mark and Sally as they welcome Granddaughter Colette Pippa Hester. Please keep parents Robert and Lauren and big brother Rowan in your prayers as they adjust to being a family of 4.

Congratulations to Will and Alex Napier on their marriage this weekend! We will be praying for you as you begin your journey as husband and wife.

Please be in prayer for: Jeff Pipes (Father of Meagan Brakebill; Sylvia Ridenour, Gene Walkup (Daughter-In-Law and brother of Ruth Ridenour); Josh McCulley, Jim Roberts (Father of Kathy McQueen), Ann Stafford, and Gail Snodgrass.

Camp registration is due by May 20th. Registration is online and the church will pay half tuition for all going. You will pay when you go to camp and we will send a check for the half tuition for all of our campers. Beth needs to know if you registered online in order to get all monies in on time. Scholarships are available for full tuition if there is a need. I will be happy to send you the link if you wish to register that way and it is on our church website. They will accept paper registration, which Kim has, on the 1st day of camp, but would prefer as many pre-registrations as possible.

TITHES, OFFERINGS, & ATTENDANCE:

4/21/24: \$4480.00 **Building Fund:** \$150.00
Church Attendance: 108 **Families viewing online:** 27
Sunday School: 66 **Families viewing online:** 14

Memorial given in memory of Wendell Nixon by: Bruce and Audrey Clark
Memorial given in memory of Betty Henderson by: Bruce and Audrey Clark
Gift given in honor of Winnie Hein’s 100th Birthday given by: Deb and Kim Handy

IMPORTANT DATES:

- **Men's Fellowship**, April 23rd at 6, Crew #2
- **Graduate Recognition Sunday** May 5th
- **CPW Luncheon**, May 8th at noon, Tellico Yacht Club
- **Cumberland Kids Picnic** at the Park, May 15th
- **VBS lunch and sign up** after church on May 19th
- **Junior Camp**, June 2-7, and **Middle/High School** will be combined June 9-14. If needed, (too many kids), Middle School will be June 16-21.
- **VBS**, June 23rd-27th

VBS SIGN-UP

Make plans to stay after worship on May 19th for a VBS Sign-Up Extravaganza!! A light lunch will be available and we will learn our theme song, play a game and kick off VBS season!! We will also sign-up volunteers as well on this day, or if you can help, please let Beth know. Prayerfully consider helping and sharing your love and talents with our children during VBS week. We would love to have you!!

WINNIE HEIN is 100!

There will be a Reception and Birthday recognition of Winnie Hein immediately after Worship on Sunday, May 26th. Everyone is invited to come by and give your regards and love to Winnie and the family.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- Approved the Recommendation of Personnel to hire Griffen Smith as Pastoral Intern, Children and Youth Activities Director effective May 1.
- Approved Minutes and Heard Communications.
- Received the Treasurer's Report and noted the bookkeeping transition is still in process.
- Shared Congregational Concerns and offered a prayer for our people.
- Received Reports from: Building & Grounds, Christian Education, Missions & Outreach, Personnel, Presbytery Delegate and the Pastor.

PRAYER LIST

Paul and Jane Brakebill, Merritt Brakebill, Jeff Pipes, Susan Harrison, Jodi Rush, Jim Wilks, Boyd Jarnagin, Jeff McQueen, Carol Delaney, Tolbert Simpson, Gail Snodgrass, Ann Stafford, Jody Stafford, Alison Shipe, Sylvia Ridenour, Gene Walkup, Josh McCulley, Jim Roberts.

If you would like to add a name on the Prayer list, please let Mark or Beth know.

CPW LUNCHEON

If you plan to attend the annual luncheon at Tellico Yacht Club on May 8, please RSVP the church office by April 30. Also, if you want to carpool meet at the church no later than 11:30 a.m.

STOTT-WALLACE OFFERING

We will be collecting a special offering on Pentecost (May 19) for support of our Cumberland Presbyterian missionaries. No administrative costs are taken from these donations but will go direct to the salaries and benefits of our missionaries. We have missionaries in: Australia, Belize, Brazil, Cambodia, Canada, Colombia, Guatemala, Haiti, Hong Kong, Japan, Mexico, The Philippines, South Korea, Spain, Undisclosed location and the United Kingdom. Your gift is joined with thousands of others to help our missionaries to preach, serve, administer, evangelize, disciple and help others in the world. We urge our church to pray for our missionaries and on Pentecost, bless the Stott-Wallace Missionary Offering with your donation.

OUR STAFF:

Rev. Mark Hester: Pastor
Beth Brakebill: Director of Music, Education, & Pastoral Care
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Kimberly Wilks: Administrative Assistant
Rich and Rhonda Gasper: Building and Maintenance
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