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CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Everyone who LOOKS to the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life. John 6:40

Steve's Sentiments

In my current sermon series, we have been exploring a Biblical foundation for what it means to be a church member. Have you missed some of it? Contact the church office for DVD's, pledges and even a book—*I Am a Church Member* by Thom Rainer. Here is a review of what we have been digging into....

⇒ Many of us church members have lost the Biblical understanding of what it means to be a part of the body of Christ. We join our churches expecting others to serve us, to feed us, and to care for us; and we don't like the hypocrites in the church, but we fail to see our own hypocri-

sies.

This study is a journey of re-discovering the privilege and joy of church membership, a journey through six pledges which are about the joy of being last instead of first, the joy of being a unifier rather than a complainer, the joy of being a servant rather than being entitled. The six

ly, and serving without hesitation.

2. To be a unifying church member, avoiding gossip and negative talk, and promoting forgiveness and unity.

3. To avoid insisting on personal preferences and desires, and to put up with associated inconveniences.

4. To pray for church leaders every day, including for protection and physical and mental health.

5. To lead one's family to be healthy church members, worshipping together and praying together for the church.

6. To treasure church membership as a gift, rather than treating it as a legalistic obligation. ~Review by John Gibbs

-Steve



pledges are:

1. To be a functioning member, giving cheerfully and abundant-

church membership as a gift, rather than treating it as a legalistic obligation. ~Review by John Gibbs

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Remember to Pray for....

The Outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Cumberland!

Let's pray the disciples' prayer this month:

"...Give Your servants fearless confidence in preaching Your Message, as You stretch out Your hand to us in healings and miracles and wonders done in the name of Your holy Servant Jesus."

While they were praying, the place where they were meeting trembled and shook. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak God's Word with fearless confidence (Acts 4:29b-31).

Yes, Lord!! So be it—here as it is in Heaven!



AROUND CUMBERLAND

In Brief....

PRAY for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on CPC!!

Prayer leader Cindy Chitwood invites you to **PRAY & learn** with us on **Tuesdays at 6pm in the Fireside Room.**

Our Bible Studies will break for summer soon, but come join us this month:

- **Gospel of John** meets Wednesdays at 6:00pm in the Library.
- Book of **Judges**, meets Thursdays at noon in the Fireside Room.

The **Deacons** will meet Mon., May 4, 6:30pm in the library.

You're invited! **CPAchievers** will welcome two talented seniors from Southpark Baptist Church—Mary Noble and Eva Brown—to give inspiration in sacred music at their **potluck & program** on Wed., May 6, beginning at 10:30am in Fellowship Hall.

Need support while caring for a loved one? Our **Caregivers Support Group** can help! Come to the Library on Fri., May 8, 10am.

WHAM!!—Women Helping Advance Missions—will meet Sat., May 9, 10am in the Library.

Please note that the **Session** will meet Mon., May 18th (instead of the 11th), 6:30pm in the Library.

Also, please note the new time for **Ministry team leaders & teams**: they will meet after the prayer time on **Tues., the 19th** this month. Leaders will meet in the Fireside Room at 7:15pm followed by team meetings at 7:45.

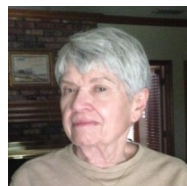
Come praise and pray with us at our **Night of Prayer and Worship** Sun., May 31, 5:00pm, in the sanctuary.

Welcome, New Members!



We were happy to welcome **Marilyn Jamison** into Cumberland membership on Sunday, Apr. 12, 2015. She and her husband moved to Lubbock in 1974 for a "short time". They expected to be moving on to Ft. Worth, but in the meantime raised four children. Two children live in Dallas, one in Nashville and another in Portland, OR. Marilyn taught school for 39 years, the last 19 of which were at Whiteside Elementary. Since retiring in 2002, she spends her spare time building miniatures. Marilyn was married to her best friend, Bill, who very recently went to his reward in heaven. Let's be sure to uphold Marilyn during this difficult time, and welcome her to Cumberland!

What a joy to welcome **Carolyn Hansen** into membership by transfer! While Carolyn was working for Lubbock's gas company in the late 1950's, she met and married David Hansen, a TX Tech engineering student. They raised their son & daughter in Lubbock and Plainview. Because they often moved to a number of area towns, they were able to attend five different Presbyterian churches, serving each in various capacities. After David's early retirement, he worked at WTA&M and Carolyn worked for Canyon ISD. In 2008, Carolyn and her husband returned to Lubbock to watch their grandchildren grow up. David passed away in 2011.



Carolyn enjoys exercising, reading, modeling clay, working in the yard and staying as far away from computers as possible. Welcome to Cumberland, Carolyn!

From the Deacon's Bench



By Edie Fanning

Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and He will repay him for his deed. ~Proverbs 19:17

One of the programs that your Deacons reach out to through your support is Family Promise of Lubbock. Family Promise of Lubbock is a non-profit organization committed to helping low income families achieve lasting independence. Family Promise helps families and children in need through the support of local churches like Cumberland. Families come to Family Promise as the result of evictions, breakups, fires, and various other life changing events. Organizations are able to reach out by feeding the homeless a hot meal and spending time with children and families. In February, a few of us had the privilege of getting to know more about this amazing organization and personally participate in providing a meal and fellowship. With our help, we can give others hope for a better future. The Deacons will continue to partner with Family Promise. We would love more people to get involved with this amazing ministry. Maybe your Sunday school class, family, or you individually would like to participate? If so, please contact a Deacon to find out more!



Family Promise of Lubbock

invites you to a community lunch:

"One Child, One Night"

Thurs., 7 May 2015

11:45am-1:00pm

First Christian Church (2323 Broadway)
Please RSVP (744.5035) by May 1.

Weekly Meetings

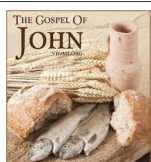
Sunday Services	9:30 & 11:00
Bible Classes	9:30 & 11:00
Sunday Coffee Break—Fell. Hall	10:30
Sunday Bell Choir—Fell. Hall	4:00
Sunday Youth —Estes Center	5:00
Tuesday Staff Meeting—Office	12:30
Tuesday Prayer Time—Fireside Rm.	6:00
Wednesday CP Achievers—Buns Over Texas	11:00
Games to follow in Fell. Hall	
Wednesday <i>Gospel of John</i> Study—Library	6:00
Wednesday Choir Rehearsal	7:00
Thursday Pastor's Study—Fireside Room	Noon
Saturday Men's Breakfast—Red Zone Café	8:30
Saturday Worship Team Practice—Sanctuary	3:00

Monthly Meetings

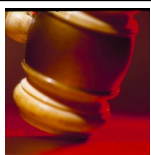
Deacons Meeting (Library)	May 4, 6:30
Caregivers Support Group (Library)	May 8, 10:00
WHAM! (Library)	May 9, 10:00
Session Meeting (Library)	May 18, 6:30
Ministry Team Leaders (Fireside)	May 19, 7:15
Regular Ministry Teams	May 19, 7:45

Around Cumberland

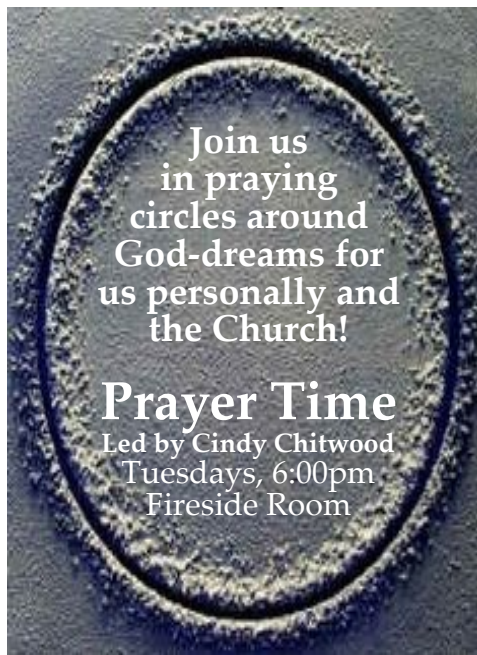
Ongoing Studies Will Break at the End of May... Join NOW!



Gospel of John
Led by Dowe Mayfield
Weds., 6:00pm
Library



Book of Judges
Led by Pastor Steve
Thursdays, Noon
Fireside Room



Canned Food Drive
for
Texas Boys Ranch

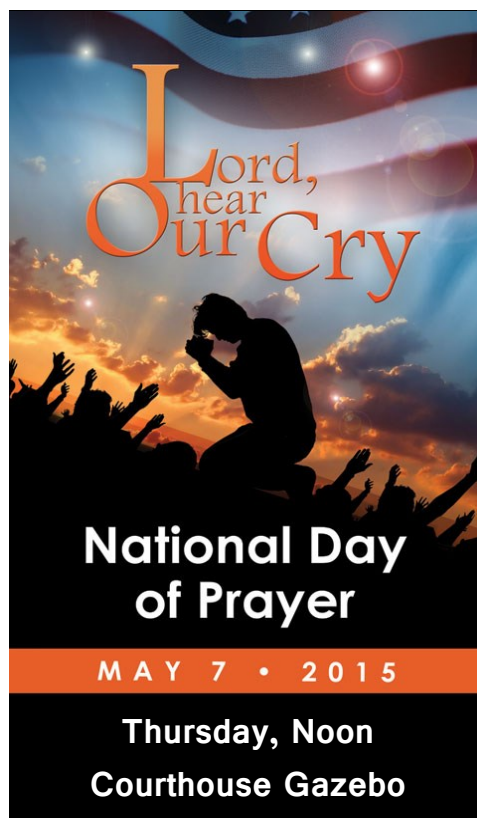
Please bring in all the
CANNED
Mandarin Oranges
you possibly can...



CPAchievers May Potluck & Program

Featuring
Mary Noble
& Eva Brown
Inspiration in Sacred Music

Wed., May 6
beginning at 10:30am
in Fellowship Hall



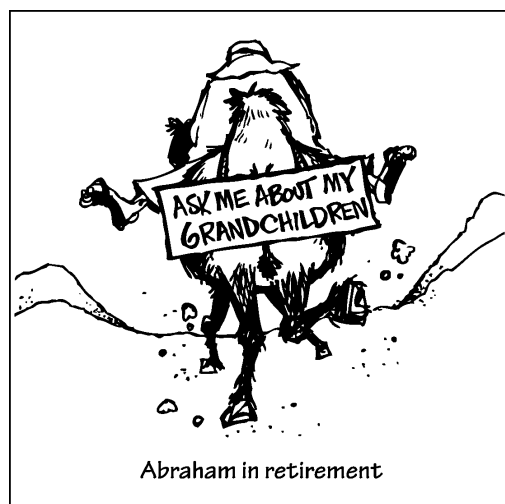
Church Women United
Fri., May 1, 2015
Lunch served at 11:30am
at Cumberland Church
\$5.00

NIGHT OF PRAYER & WORSHIP

Come sing your favorite hymns of praise and worship to the
Lord!

Join your prayers with others
for God's will to be done at CPC as it is in Heaven!

Sun., May 31, 2015, 5-6:00
Sanctuary



Abraham in retirement

May 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday																																										
<p>9:30 Classic Worship 9:30 Bible Classes 10:30 Coffee Break 11:00 Praise Service 11:00 Bible Classes 4:00 Bell Choir (FH)* 5:00 Youth (EC)**</p>					<p>1  11:30 @ CPC \$5.00 6:00 Kinslow/Loafman wedding rehearsal</p>	<p>2 8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café) No Worship Team Practice 3:00 Kinslow/Loafman Wedding (Followed by Reception)</p>																																										
<p>3 <i>Communion Sunday</i> See Sunday schedule above.</p>	<p>4 6:30 Deacons Meeting (L)+</p>	<p>5 12:30 CPC Staff Mtng (Office) 6:00 Prayer Time (Fireside Rm.)</p>	<p>6 10:30 CPA* (Potluck & program in FH)* 12:00 Games (FH)* 6:00 Gospel of John Study (L)+ 7:00 Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>7 <i>National Day of Prayer</i> Noon @ Court- house Gazebo No Book of Judges Study 7:00 Family Promise's "One Child, One Night" (2323 Brdwy)</p>	<p>8 10:00 Caregivers Support Group (L)+</p>	<p>9 8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café) 10:00 WHAM!! Meeting (L)+ 11:30 LPD Banquet 3:00 Worship Team Practice (Sanct.)</p>																																										
<p>10  No Youth Meeting See Sunday schedule above.</p>	<p>11 6:30 LPD Apprecia- tion Banquet (Civic Cntr)</p>	<p>12 12:30 CPC Staff Mtng (Office) 6:00 Prayer Time (Fireside Rm.)</p>	<p>13 11:00 CPA* (Buns Over TX) 12:00 Games (FH)* 6:00 Gospel of John Study (L)+ 7:00 Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>14 Noon Book of Judges Study (Fireside)</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café) 3:00 Worship Team Practice</p>																																										
<p>17 See Sunday schedule above.</p>	<p>18 6:30 Session Meeting (Library)</p>	<p>19 12:30 CPC Staff Mtng (Office) 6:00 Prayer Time (Fireside Rm.) 7:15 Ministry Teams</p>	<p>20 11:00 CPA* (Buns Over TX) 12:00 Games (FH)* 6:00 Last Gospel of John Study (L)+ 7:00 Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>21 Noon Book of Judges Study (Fireside)</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 8:30 Men's Breakfast (Red Zone Café) 3:00 Worship Team Practice (Sanct.)</p>																																										
<p>24 /31 24th—Pentecost 31st—5:00 Sanctuary Night of Prayer & Worship </p>	<p>25 <i>Church Office Closed</i>  <i>Memorial Day</i></p>	<p>26 No CPC Staff Mtng 6:00 Prayer Time (Fireside Rm.)</p>	<p>27 11:00 CPA* (Buns Over TX) 12:00 Games (FH)* No Gospel of John Study 7:00 Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>28 Noon Last Book of Judges Study (Fireside)</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 Same as above</p>																																										
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Praise

Erin & Erich Loafman wedding celebration, RoseAnn Lively's student Nevaeh returning home to Lubbock, no negative effects from Virginia Kinslow's son-in-law's TIA, Caldwell grandchildren's accomplishments (Amy McInnes—Bayless Elem. teacher of the year, Jeremy Tow—graduate fellowship and Outstanding Document Instructor as M.A. student, Jesse Tow—M. P. affairs/program analyst with Gov. Accountability Office in D. C.), God's Spirit working over Cumberland, Erin Akins' shingles healing, Stepheni Perez's back doing better, Kay Duarte's son's move went great, new members Marilyn Jamison & Carolyn Hansen, Deborah Hart's friend Donarex's tumor shrinking/handling chemo better, safe travels for Karen Reid & Ken Smith, Joan Adams doing well after stent procedure, Christ arose!

Sympathy

family of Douglas Cox's mother, Cruz family (RoseAnn Lively's student's mother), family of Bill Jamison

Service

safety for homeland peace officers and families, Deborah Hart's son-Sam (stateside), Mary Rogers' grandson Robert (Spain), Caldwell's grandson Joe (Bahrain), Mercers' grandson Judd (stateside), Chris Reid (stateside), military and first responders

General

National Day of Prayer, May 7 (Courthouse Gazebo), Ken Smith's granddaughter Katie (grief work)

Health/Recovery

Peggy Kinslow (surgery 5/4), Joan Baumann (awaiting surgery), Kathy Davis (complications from allergic reaction), Pat Burnett's friend (dealing with cancer diagnosis), Chitwood's granddaughter Harper (bladder surgery 5/1), Ken Smith's daughter Lisa (melanoma removal 5/15), Laveda Davis (recovering from cancer procedure), CPC Pastor Harry Chapman (ankle reconstruction), Jerrie Pridmore (rehab at home), Joe Caldwell (radiation/chemo), Elaine Mitchell (rehab at home), Jan Marthinson's son Ryan (MS/pain management); **HOSPICE:** Alice Davis, John Carter's mother; **THOSE BATTLING CANCER:** CPC Pastor Freddy Rincon's brother, Virginia Kinslow's nephew Phillip, Douglas Cox (awaiting liver transplant), Amy Rickman's dad-Scott, Deborah Hart's friend Donarex, Scott Fanning's friend Rhonda, Sonny Moore, Laveda Davis

Kingdom Work - Ministries of Cumberland:

Hopsons (Christ focus; children), Glenn Watts (vision for Hong Kong ministry goals) & Glenn's friend Jeba (direction as Indian refugee in HK), for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on CPC, children's/youth ministry, ongoing Bible studies, revival, WHAM's outreaches, Fanning ministry at LCDC, CPC Ministry Teams, Family Promise, Melonie Park South neighborhood/Coachlight Apt.s, Pray Lubbock, Southcrest Christian School

Kingdom Work - Other Congregations:

3 May - Agape Temple COGIC - William Watson, Ecclesia - Drew Farley, Emmanuel Methodist - Eutimio Gonzalez

10 May - St. John Baptist - Solomon Fields, Ministerios Nueva Vida - Jesse Cisneros, Salvation Army - Michael Morton

17 May - Broadway Church of Christ - Karl Ihfe, Live Oak Community Church - Chuck Williams

24 May - Alliance Church - Jesse Rincones, Lyons Chapel Baptist Church - Wendell Davis, West Texas Church at the Barn - Ted Curington

31 May - St. Luke's Central Lubbock - Andy Hurst, Second Baptist - Ryon Price

Kingdom Work - Other Ministries:

MCH Family Outreach, Child Evangelism Fellowship, Family Promise, Pray Lubbock, Southcrest Christian School, Ministries to the Homeless—Link Ministries & Carpenter's Church

Homebound - Alice Davis, Helen Hunt, Ann McLaren, Anna Montgomery, Mary Lou Moore, Martha Payne, WE Pierce, Laura Yates

TREASURER'S TALK

By Richard Trussell

Disappearing Generosity?

A pastor told the story of his childhood, watching his mother write out tithe checks as his father drove them to church every Sunday. He then presented a scary statistic: the average churchgoer attends church just 1.7 times a month now. And as a result, the general culture of generosity has been on the decline.

At the end of the 2013 holiday season, Amazon revealed the startling fact that 60% of their holiday shopper activity had come from a mobile device. What if 60% is somehow tied to the disappearing culture of generosity? One church decided to test this theory.

Individuals were split into three groups based on their past giving habits:

- Regular Givers: Those who give at least once a month
- Intermittent Givers: Those who gave one to two times a quarter
- New Givers: Those who never gave

After three months using a mobile giving app

- Regular givers averaged giving \$49 more per month
- Intermittent givers averaged giving \$76 more per month
- Brand new givers averaged giving \$143 more per month

This study indicates that generosity still exists once a new set of tools were made easily available.

Stewardship Report, Mar. 2015

	<u>Mar.</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Avg. Weekly Attendance	59	69
Sunday Offering	\$19,228	\$49,571
Other Income Sources	\$15,639	\$47,607
Total Income	\$34,867	\$97,178
Total Operating Expenses	\$30,628	\$93,494
Bldng. Loan Princ. Balance		\$1,024,513.47



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Sunday service times: 9:30, 11:00



Cumberland Presbyterian Church

Pastor: Dr. Steven D. Doles
Pastor Emeritus: Rev. Sam R. Estes, Jr.
Church Treasurer: Richard Trussell
Choir Director: Carolyn Hefner
Organist: Sue Smith
Housekeeping: Corina Bermea
Administrative Assistant: Joy Doles

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Elders

Kathy Davis '15
Gordon Downum '15
Marci Rickman '15
Diana Akins '16
Cindy Chitwood '16
Scott Fanning '17
Jerrie Pridmore '17

Deacons

Candy Baack '15
Ken Smith '15
Craig Hart '16
Deborah Hart '16
Genevieve Potts '16
Tim Rickman '16
Edie Fanning '17
Teresa Hill '17

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sundays

9:30 Classic Worship—Sanctuary
9:30 Bible Classes
10:30 Coffee Break—Fellowship Hall
11:00 Cumberland Praise—Sanctuary
11:00 Bible Classes
4:00 Bell Choir—Fellowship Hall
5:00 **Youth**—Estes Center

Tuesdays

12:30 Staff Meeting—Office
6:00 Prayer Time—Fireside

Wednesdays

11:00 CPA's Lunch—Buns Over Texas
12:00 CPA's Games—Fellowship Hall
6:00 *Gospel of John* Study—Library
7:00 Choir Rehearsal

Thursdays

Noon *Book of Judges* Study—Fireside Room

Saturdays

8:30 Men's Breakfast—Red Zone Café
3:00 Worship Team Practice—Sanctuary