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***To seek,
nurture,
and equip
people to be
committed
disciples of
Jesus Christ***

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Steve's Sentiments

New Service Times



What happens at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 on Sunday mornings? Our worship services, starting Sept. 9!

If you missed the announcement last week, we are going to test a new worship service schedule here, at Cumberland Church. Last year we added a third service that starts at 9:45 with an abbreviated sermon and a time for worship. Our current schedule (8:30, 9:45 and 10:55) leaves no flexibility at the end of the first or second service for ministry time. For example, if a family wants to place their membership here and we want to welcome them and pray over them; or if a person is moved to make a profession of faith and we want to get better acquainted and pray with them; or if a person comes forward or desires prayer after a service... we don't really have time

without disrupting the next service, if I am to be involved.

Starting at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 gives us 30 minutes between each service. So much can happen in that extra time: ministry to spiritual needs (our #1 priority); time to welcome, orient, and befriend visitors (our #2 priority); and deepen ties of Christian love over coffee and snacks! Our Sunday School classes will continue to be at 9:30 (currently 2 adult classes) and 11:00 (classes for all ages). Let's continue to make Sunday mornings an opportunity for worship, evangelism, Bible Study and fellowship and test this new schedule to see if it doesn't open up more opportunities for all of these.

Remember, for Labor Day weekend we observe our usual schedule; the new start times begin on Sunday, Sept. 9th.

Let's open up doors to the Kingdom of God!

Blessings, ~Steve

P.S. Don't miss all of the growth opportunities on P. 3!

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Sam Lively is reaching out to Honduras again in Jan. 2013.

Here's a great opportunity to help support his mission trip!

When ordering, mention your support of SAM LIVELY MINISTRIES and 20% of your ticket will benefit Sam's 2013 mission trip to Honduras.

HONDURAS FOR CHRIST

**SAM LIVELY MINISTRIES
BENEFIT DAY**

Wed., 12 Sept. 2012, 5pm—10pm



**Blue Sky
4414 98th Street
Lubbock, TX 79424**

AROUND CUMBERLAND



Congregational Meeting & Potluck

will be held

Sun., Sept. 23, noon, Estes Center

Everyone invited—

Bring your favorite dish.

Dessert & drinks will be provided.

We will vote on new church leadership.

Thank You's!

Dear Cumberland Presbyterian "Family",

The family of Virginia Downum appreciates very much the comforting acts of love in a variety of ways. Of course, we miss our beloved Virginia, but we are "filled to overflowing" with your condolences, thoughts, and prayers. May God return to you the kindness you have shown to us.

Thank you,

~Family of Virginia Downum

Cumberland Bereavement Committee,

Thanks for letting God's goodness flow through you! Thanks to each and every member of your group. The luncheon was simply perfect in every way. Let me know when I can ever bring food or lend a hand, please. I would be honored. ~Gordon Downum

Dear Bereavement Committee,

Thanks so much for your hard work and consideration. Y'all went above and beyond. I know I mainly saw Wanda, Virginia & Dorothy, but I know many others were involved. Virginia even brought more food to Mom & Dad's house.

Thanks again & love,

~Carol Cunningham

I wish to thank all who volunteered and assisted with the Teacher Luncheon for Southcrest's Cumberland Campus on Aug. 22. The teachers were overwhelmed with the luncheon, gift bags and support they received from our church. ~Karen Martin

Ollie Baucom Circle,

Your thoughtfulness is appreciated more than you know.

~From the SCS Staff

(Please check the bulletin board in the narthex to see the personal notes written in the card.)



1—Darnell Dingle

5—Helen Hunt

8—Margaret Richardson

9—Carolyn Hefner

13—Tom Hudson

15—Byron Martin

17—Cal Lowry

18—Shyla Walton

20—Joy Doles

24—Candy Baack

25—Richard Trussell

26—Raymond McLaren

30—Ruthie Dean, Wanda Martin, Bobby Cates

12—Herb & Gerri Craghead

14—John & Mary Lo Thurman

18—Eddie & Kate Delevan

25—Billy & Elaine Mitchell

FROM THE DEACON'S BENCH

Pumpkins Are Coming

by Teresa Hill



For the past ten years, Cumberland has partnered with the Pumpkin Patch Fundraising Company to sell pumpkins on the lawn of the church. This ministry is the main fundraising event of Cumberland's Board of Deacons and has seen increased rewards every year. The proceeds are divided evenly between the Deacons and the

Christian Education Ministry.

Pumpkin Patch is an integral part of our church's identity, as we are sometimes referred to as "the Pumpkin Patch Church." This project provides opportunities for us to fellowship as a church as well as to minister to many in the community. In addition, many volunteers from Lubbock schools and Texas Tech Univ. get involved in this ministry.

Funds received from pumpkin sales are used for benevolent ministries within our congregation, our community, nationally and internationally. Some examples of these ministries include the following: Food Box Ministry, DVD Ministry, Homeless Ministry (Tent City, Carpenter's Church, Blessing Bags), Boys & Girls Club, Texas Boys Ranch, Salvation Army, Meals on Wheels, Our United Outreach (OUO), and Missions.

The first load of pumpkins is scheduled to arrive here at Cumberland on Sept. 29! Opportunities for YOU to get involved will be made known soon. For those who are new to the patch, a training is scheduled to take place after the all-church potluck dinner on Sept. 23. Thank you for your generous dedication in making it all work!

Youth Sculpture



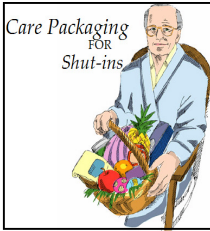
On Sunday, Aug. 26, the middle school Sunday school class made a human sculpture (pictured at left). Can you guess what it is? Call or email your guess in to the church office. If you can guess what it is (without being told by one of the students), you will win a \$5 gift card to Blue Sky for Sept. 12.

Weekly Meetings

Sunday Services	(Beginning 9/9)	8:00, 9:30 & 11:00
Sunday School		9:30 & 11:00
Sunday Coffee Break—Fell. Hall		10:30
Sunday Care Packaging—Library		6:00
Sunday College-Age Ministry—Fell. Hall (Beginning 9/9)		6:30
Tuesday Staff Meeting		12:30
Tuesday Spiritual Maturity Class (Beginning 9/11)		1:30
Wednesday CP Achievers		11:00
	(Buns Over Texas)	
	Games to follow in Fell. Hall	
Wednesday Old Testament Bible Study (Beginning 9/12)		6:00
Wednesday New Testament Bible Study (Beginning 9/19)		6:00
Wednesday Choir		7:00
Thursday Prayer Group (Beginning 9/13)		6:30
Saturday Men's Breakfast—Red Zone Café		8:30
Saturday Worship Team Practice—Estes Center		2:00

AROUND CUMBERLAND, Cont.

FALL GROWTH GROUPS—Sign up in the church narthex or call the church office!



Designed with, but certainly not limited to, our elementary children in mind, Sunday evenings will offer a fun opportunity to make and **package things for our shut-ins**. Meet in the library at 6:00pm beginning Sept. 9. (Leaders: Joan Baumann, Genevieve Potts)



Do you know the roots of your faith? Do you understand God's "Plan A" for getting the world ready for the arrival of His Son? The **Old Testament Bethel Bible Study** will help map out His plan. The Old Testament will come alive for you! Wed., beginning Sept. 12, 6-7pm (Leader: Joy Doles)



For those who have completed the Old Testament Bethel Bible Study, this **New Testament Bethel Class** gives a great overview of the New Testament. Wed., beginning Sept 19, 6-7 (Leader: TBA)

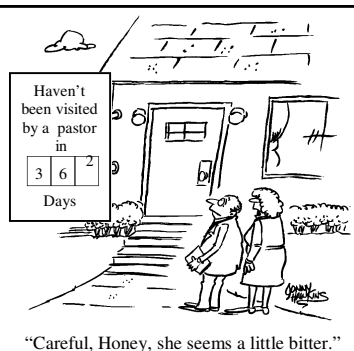


Who? College and Young Adults
(College to Mid 20s)
What? Dinner and Bible Study
When? Every Sunday Evening in Sept.,
beginning Sept. 9
6:30pm – Dinner
7:30pm – "Spiritual Gifts" Class

Where? Cumberland's Fell. Hall, 7702 Indiana Ave. (So. Door)



The Ollie Baucom Circle
will have a reorganizational meeting
Sept. 17 at 11:30 in Fellowship Hall
Light refreshments will be served.



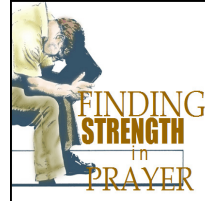
"Careful, Honey, she seems a little bitter."



Cumberland Visiting Ministry
will meet
Sept. 10 at 1:30
in the library.



Have you ever felt unproductive and defeated, like you can't seem to function as fully as God intended? Do you want to find freedom from all sorts of life's bondages? This **Spiritual Maturity class** is just for you. It will meet in the library on Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 11, 1:30pm, focusing on finding victory over life's darkness and will use the books *Victory over Darkness* and *Bondage Breaker* by Neil Anderson. (Leader: Virginia Kinslow)



We don't prepare for life's battles with prayer; prayer IS the battle. Let's start on our knees. Our weekly **prayer meeting**, a place to grow in prayer, will meet in the Fireside Room on Thursdays, starting Sept. 13, 6:30-7:30pm. (Leader: Dana Cook)

Catch the Excitement!
Witness the Joy!
Share the VISION!

Vis-à-Vis (Vision and Visitors) - This one-session class will acquaint visitors with our vision. If you are new to our fellowship, or if you have been around and would like to sit down face-to-face with us and our vision & mission, join us Sunday evening, Sept. 16, 6:00pm in the Garden Room. (Leader: Pastor Steve and other leaders)



Middle School/High School Ministry
— We are exploring options for Sunday evenings beginning at 6:00pm for student ministry programming. Watch for more details! If you are interested in helping, please contact the church.

Recap of Presbytery del Cristo



We hosted Presbytery Aug. 9 & 10. It was a combined effort of many people. Ken Smith reserved rooms and coordinated volunteers for hospitality at the motel and for transportation. Dorothy McCarty and the fellowship ministry team planned the reception on Thurs. night and snacks for Fri. Kathy Davis coordinated the Family Fun Night meal which included the Presbytery guests. The worship team and sanctuary choir provided music for Thurs.'s worship. Dana and Maria Cook helped in countless ways - transportation, room set-up and video slide show, to mention a few. Jan Holmes provided Fri.'s lunch on behalf of Memphis Theological Seminary. Richard Trussell led a 3-hour workshop on church business, accounting & treasurers' responsibilities. Business was carried out as usual in the Estes Center, and several voiced appreciation for our hospitality. The next meeting of Presbytery del Cristo will be in San Francisco in March 2013. Check our website for pictures of Presbytery.

Monthly Meetings

Deacons Meeting (Fell. Hall)	Sept. 10, 6:30
Session Meeting (Library)	Sept. 10, 6:30
Grace Circle (Fell. Hall)	Sept. 13, 6:30
Caregivers Support Group (Library)	Sept. 14, 10:00
Ollie Baucom Circle (Fell. Hall)	Sept. 17, 11:30
Ministry Team Leaders (Fireside Room)	Sept. 17, 6:30
Ministry Teams	Sept. 17, 7:00

Southcrest Connection

Calendar items that may effect CPC:

Mon., Sept. 3
Fri., Sept. 21

School Holiday
Teacher Development
Noon Student Dismissal

SUNDAY							SEPTEMBER 2012																																									
<div><div>† New Sunday</div><div>Worship Times (beginning 9 Sept.)</div><div>8:00 Cof. Hse. Wrshp</div><div>9:30 Sunday School</div><div>9:30 Cumb. Praise</div><div>10:30 Coffee Break</div><div>11:00 Sunday School</div><div>11:00 Classic Wrshp</div></div>		Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat 1																																									
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Prayer

Concerns

Praise

Birth of Leslie Hunt-Bond's grandson Parker, Mercers' grandson Judd Latimer now home in CA, A salvation at Fannings' LCDC Bible study! Rain! Varghese Family's safe travels to and from India, Dennis Benadom (Pastor, Trona, CA CPC) cancer contained & treatable, Jimmy Braswell doing well after heart valve replacement, Diana Akins' heart back in rhythm, Kelly McElhaney's friend Jeff completed rehab, Glenda Mercer's friend Sharmai doing well, Karen Martin's mother—Dorothy Leckey (doing well at assisted living facility), Baumanns (celebrated 54th anniversary), Dana Cook's good 6-month report, John Carter started new job

Sympathy

Family of Greg Akins' brother-in-law—Jack Fitts, Family of Don Cranford's friends whose son died in 4-wheeler accident, Family of Sherry Swann (killed in car crash), Family of Benn Kinslow's friend John, Family of Virginia Downum

Service

Mercers' grandson Judd Latimer (Stateside), Chris Reid (Vandenberg AFB, CA), Juanita Craig's nephew Josh Prendle (Afghanistan), Craghead's grandson Aaron Taylor (Stateside), Cole Baack (Ramstein AFB, Germany), Jason Westbrook (Albuquerque Police Dept.), military and first responders

General

Hurricane Isaac devastation, Pam Gutierrez & her friend who suffered property damage from Lubbock storm, Start of school, Darnell Dingle's daughter Amy (new teaching position in Midland), Brandon Beckham (job search), Mary Martin (adjustment to Quail Ridge), Billy Roark (Faith Center), Brandon Sowell (move to Big Spring), Family of Cooks' daughter Christina (move to Houston), Baumann's son James (move to San Antonio), More rain on the South Plains, Homelessness in Lubbock, Bobby Cates, Revival! James & Beka Schroder (baby to adopt)

Health/Recovery

Lisa Latimer (recovering, spinal surgery), Louise Kennedy (Lakeside Rehab), Doris Lowry (tests), Helen Hunt (broken vertebra), Dingles' friends Evelyn (knee replacement) & Gene (broken leg, blood clot, infection), Ken Smith's friend Alec Fentum (released to school/continuing dialysis), LaDon Madden (car crash victim) and her family, Caldwell's grandson Jesse (undergoing treatment), Jayne Ann Miller (chemo), Greg Akins' niece Lisa (health problems), Carleen Massey's daughter Penny (bulging disc), Carleen Massey's friend Troy Wells (kidney failure/losing eyesight), Kathy Davis' friend (unborn baby not developing correctly), Joy Doles' nephew Jeff Huxford (brain rehab); **THOSE BATTLING CANCER:** Greg Akins' associate Verne, Craig Simpson, CPC Pastor Dennis Benadom, LaVeda Davis, Carleen Massey's friend Jackie Sanderson, Jo Craig, Margie Stevenson, Greg Cisneros, Sharon Beckham's friend Lisa, Dingles' friend Fred Ewing; **HOSPICE:** Dana Cook's Aunt Elizabeth

Kingdom Work

Ministries of Cumberland:

Fanning ministry to LCDC, Family Fun Nights, CPC Ministry Teams, CPC Praise Service, Pantry of Care, Family Promise, Caregivers Support Group, CP Achievers, CPC Visiting Ministries, Grace Circle, Session and Diaconate, Ollie Baucom Circle, "How to Save a Life"

Kingdom Work, Other Congregations:

2 Sept. - Powerhouse Fellowship - Gary Hughes, Grace Unlimited - Rick Oliver, Bethel AME Church - Sonia Scott

9 Sept. - Westminster Presbyterian - Baron Eliason, St. Matthew Methodist Church - Rob Lindley, Strong Tower Christian Church - Javier Jaurez

16 Sept. - Calvary Chapel - Ben Martinez, Christian Life Assembly of God - John Murdoch, Oakwood Deaf Mission - Scott Steggs

23 Sept. - First Church of the Nazarene - (Interim), ACTS Church - Field Bennings, Greater Works COGIC - Billy Moore

30 Sept. - City View Christian Fellowship - Gary Kirksey, Bacon Heights Baptist Church - Jerry Joplin, Crossroads Community Church - Kerry Hurst

Other Ministries:

Child Evangelism Fellowship, Melonie Park South neighborhood, Chaplain Sam Hontz (Lubbock Co. Jail), Family Promise, Pray Lubbock, Southcrest Christian School, Ministries to the Homeless—Link Ministries & Carpenter's Church

Shut-ins & Caregivers

Naomi Hillis, Tom Hudson, Jessie Ingley, Coach Cal & Doris Lowry, Mary Martin, Raymond & Ann McLaren, Mary Moore, Martha Payne, W. E. & Jena Pierce, Etta Powell, John & MaryLo Thurman, Laura Yates

TREASURER'S TALK

By Richard Trussell

Generosity—Part 1, Giving To God

(These thoughts are courtesy of Ruben Swint from an article I read. Parts 2, 3, and 4 will appear in Oct., Nov., and Dec. *Outlook's*.)

Giving is not a solo act. Giving occurs in relationships. The primary relationship in our giving is our relationship to God. Giving is between God and us; and God participates in our giving decisions, or should. God knows who or what we truly worship for they are reflected in our spending and giving behaviors. God desires for us that we become caring and generous people, not simply religious participants. Read Micah 6:6-8. Giving to God can be pleasing to God, depending on how we live our lives. Giving to God is an opportunity to renew our focus on what matters to God.

God is pleased when people give themselves to God in their everyday living. Giving to God should be much more than a religious behavior. Giving to God can represent a statement of our daily trust in God for all our living.

Stewardship Report, July 2012

	<u>July</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Avg. Weekly Attendance	89	99
Sunday Offering	\$22,853	*\$136,987
Other Income Sources	\$10,701	\$83,908
Total Income	\$33,554	\$220,895
Total Operating Expenses	\$32,183	\$222,275
Bldng Loan Princ. Balance		\$1,184,900.02

*Jan.—July offerings of \$138,367 would fully fund total expenses.



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Organist: Sue Suttle-Smith
Housekeeping: Corina Bermea
Nursery: Kinsey Zotz
Administrative Assistant: Joy Doles

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Elders

Karen Caldwell '12
Billy Mitchell '12
Susan Stack '12
Scott Fanning '13
Tom Martin '13
Dorothy McCarty '13
Dana Cook '14
Kathy Davis '14
Virginia Kinslow '14

Deacons

Erin Akins '12
Edie Fanning '12
Teresa Hill '12
Karen Reid '12
Sharon Beckham '13
Karen Martin '13
Genevieve Potts '13
Mike Westbrook '13
Greg Akins '14
Ronnie Freeman '14
Jordon Latimer '14
Frank Varghese '14

WEEKLY EVENTS

<u>Sundays</u>	8:30/8:00	Coffee House Worship—Fellowship Hall
	9:30	Sunday School Classes
	9:45/9:30	Cumberland Praise—Estes Center
	10:30	Coffee Break—Fellowship Hall
	10:45/11:00	Sunday School Classes—Estes Center
	10:55/11:00	Classic Worship—Sanctuary
<u>Tuesdays</u>	6:00	Care Packaging—Library
	6:30	College-Age Ministry (Begins 9/9)—FH
	12:30	Staff Meeting—Office
	1:30	Spiritual Maturity Class—Library
	11:00	CPA's Lunch—Buns Over Texas
	12:00	Games—Fellowship Hall
<u>Wednesdays</u>	6:00	Bible Studies
	7:00	Choir
	6:30	Prayer Group—Fireside Room
<u>Thursdays</u>	8:30	Men's Breakfast—Red Zone Café
	2:00	Worship Team Practice—Estes Center
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