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Clarksville  
Cumberland Presbyterian Church  
1410 Golf Club Lane  
Clarksville, TN 37040

Return Service Requested



May 20, 2018 Report	
Sunday School	164
Worship	211
Offering	\$5,614.00
Needed Weekly	\$7,470.00

**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR MAY 27:**

**Liturgist:**

Ken Wilshire

**Ushers:**

David Littleton – Lead Usher  
Sally Noel, Mary Lou McReynolds  
Tavis Gibson, Chad Koyama

**Acolyte(s):**

Kathryn Lindsey, Lily Kettle

**Children’s Message:**

Rev. Dr. Steve Louder

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, May 27:**

9:15 a.m. Children’s Choir Rehearsal

**Monday, May 28:**

Memorial Day— office closed

**Wednesday, May 30:**

9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters

**Sunday, June 3:**

9:15 a.m. Children’s Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, June 3– Friday, June 8:**

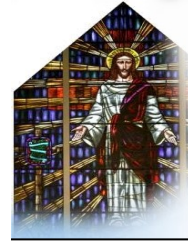
Synodic Camp

**Wednesday, June 6:**

9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters

**Sunday, June 10– Wednesday, June 13:**

Vacation Bible School



NEWS FROM  
**CLARKSVILLE CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

1410 GOLF CLUB LANE ~ CLARKSVILLE, TENNESSEE 37040

Church Office: 931-648-0817

Email: office@clarksvillecpc.com ~ Website: www.clarksvillecpc.com

**Senior Pastor: Stephen L. Louder**

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

**PEACE OR PANIC**

**Brother Steve**

If we were to choose one word to describe the energy that propels our life, would it be peace or panic? True peace is a scarce commodity in 2018, and yet if we are fortunate enough to find it, we are better able to deal successfully with life. I John 14:27: **“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.”** What is the nature of His peace, and are we able to obtain it in our lives? Yes, we are, if we choose to follow His teachings through the leading of the Comforter. We must be confident in only one true and trusted guide and have faith that He is able to empower us for the living of daily life. Driving in the mountainous regions there are times the roads are not going the direction we think is correct, but because of trust we remain on course knowing it is the best route to take us to our destination. Christ’s peace comes as we use Him as a moral compass and while it may not seem to us the most direct route or what others may be trying to convince us of as the best, unwavering faith proves His way will enable us to arrive safely at our destination every time.

Peace comes as we embrace the words of Proverbs 18:10, **“The Lord is a mighty tower where His people can run for safety.”** Peace surrounds us as we hear that soft

whisper of the Almighty Creator God that is always close to us. We certainly need to accept God’s acceptance of us. His unconditional love and receiving of us as His children, knowing our relationship in Him is always secure brings us comfort. Paul witnesses it in Philippians 4:11 as he related that no matter the circumstances, all things are possible because of the abiding strength provided. There is a Welsh shepherd’s prayer that says, “Lord, I got among the thorns and briars and was scratched torn and bleeding. Lord it is only fair to say it was not on thy ground, I had wandered out of thy pasture.” When panic is our motivation as we scurry through life we have taken our eyes and minds from God. As children of God, following His leading we possess the peace of clear conscious. We also find peace in knowing the past is gone and forgiven. We are picked up, cleaned up and fired up from the new start the Lord provides. We find peace in acceptance for when we are in His presence, sin is not and we are free to love others as we are loved. Walking is a simple task and with each step we take in our spiritual journey, we should make sure they are always with the Lord.

**Sunday Schedule:**

Fellowship - 9:00 A.M. ~ Sunday School - 9:30 A.M. ~ Worship - 10:30 A.M.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Angela	Randy Pierce
Ann Anderson	Alyce Powers
Dee Brock	Garrison Roberson
Sue Watts Camp	Jimmy Roberts
Teresa Miles	Kathie Roby
Carpenter	Jennifer Roddy
Mike Carter	Homer Salyer
Jace Coakley	E.G. Sims
Amanda Cochrane	Earleen Smith
Dawn Corbin	Clara Spann
Gary Coplen	Chris Stanfill
Judy Darke	Tim Sullivan
Barbara Davis	TX School Shooting
Christine Durham	Bettye Tidwell
Gary Estes	Bob Tidwell
Margaret Farmer	Irving Tilman
Ollie Faircloth	Karen Trana
Philip & Sarah	Jim Walk
Faulkner	Eileen Weatherford
Jake Gambino	Jessie Whitfield
Mike Gibson	Dan Williams
Randi Gibson	Mary Williams
Frank Grubbs	Alex Wilshire
Frances Hinson	Karen Woodall
Peggy Hunter	missionaries,
Ray Johnson	law enforcement
Ken Kirby	officials,
Lynn Lamb	first responders,
Rhyann Loos	our school staff,
Charlie Marklin	our youth,
Chris Miracle	all students,
Nancy Neal	our military,
Russ Parchman	our nation,
Mary Lu Persinger	our world.

*If you wish to add or remove someone to the Prayer Concerns, please fill out a prayer request card or call the church office at 648-0817. Names remain on the list for two weeks unless otherwise requested.*



June 17th is  
Urban Ministries Sunday.

Items needed for June

Adult Classes:

Grape Jelly  
Peanut Butter  
Crackers

Canned meats (tuna, spam, ham, chicken)

All other classes bring Personal Items\*

\*Personal Items: Tooth Paste, Tooth Brushes,  
Soap, Shampoo, Razors, Shaving Cream,  
Deodorant, etc.

## STOTT-WALLACE OFFERING UPDATE

On Pentecost Sunday, May 20th, the Clarksville CP Church collected an offering for the Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund. Because of your generous giving, we collected \$4,645.00. Thank you!



## OUT OF OFFICE NOTICE



Jessica will be out of the office May 28-June 1. Please continue to send all bulletin and newsletter announcements to the church email, as well as prayer requests that should be printed. Office hours will remain the same.



## YOUTH NEWS

Go ahead and mark your calendars for these summer events!

- \* **Senior High (Synodic) Camp:**  
June 3rd-8th
  - \* **Cumb. Presbyterian Youth Conference:**  
(for those who are finishing 8th-12th grade)  
June 24th-29th
  - \* **Junior High Camp, Crystal Springs:**  
July 8th-13th
  - \* **Junior Camp, Crystal Springs**  
July 15th-20th
- Forms are now available for Junior High and Jr Camp in the church office or on the web-site.
- \* **Mission Trip to Jacksonville, Florida**  
July 22nd-28th

## J.O.Y. GROUP

The J.O.Y Group trip for June will be on **Monday, June 18, 2018** to **The Front Porch** in **Dickson, TN**. The church bus will leave at 10:30 a.m. The church bus fills up quickly, please call Barbara to reserve your spot (931-647-4956).



## HANDBELL CHOIR STARTING SOON!



If anyone is interested in playing Handbells, please contact Punky Goudard or Carol Stephens; youth through adult ages, male and female!

## NEW PHONE #? NEW ADDRESS?

Please remember to call Jessica in the church office (648-0817) with your new address and/or change of contact information so our church directory and mail lists can be updated. Don't miss out on church news!



## PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION



Registration is now open for the 2018-2019 Preschool Program. We offer classes for 3 & 4 year old's on Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am-2pm. Registration forms can be picked up in the office! Please see Alicia Coakley or Jessica Morgan for more information.



The Lost and Found is located in the Narthex. Please check it each week. Items are donated at the end of each month.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

**Sunday, June 10-Wednesday, June 13**  
**5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.**

**Who can attend?** We have classes for Pre-K through 5th grade (nursery available for younger children).

**Can I volunteer?** Absolutely! Please see Taylor to get plugged in.

**Will there be dinner? If so, how much does it cost?** There will be meals each night and donations are accepted to help offset cost.

**Can I invite my friends and family?** Yes!

**How do I sign up?** To help us plan and prepare, we ask that you register online **by MAY 27th**.

<https://vbspro.events/p/cpvbs2018>

VBS Committee is requesting donations of 32 Oz Gatorade bottles that have been rinsed and label removed. You may leave these in the church office or under the stairs in the FLC.

## ACTS 4:32-35—COVENANT COMMUNITY IN VBS

If you drive around 1410 Golf Club Ln it is easy to tell that VBS is just around the corner. It's the time of year where we compile months of planning and recruiting in hopes of creating a place where children and adults can engage in the gospel of Jesus Christ together. While this may not be the only way for those two groups to come together, it is a great and special way. It provides a great opportunity for a large number of age diverse people to worship on a level that the kids can fully participate in.

It makes me think of what it means to be a covenant community. In the book of Acts we see a community that has all things in common and takes care of one another. It's the groundwork for where we as Cumberland Presbyterians try to envision covenant community in a very different looking setting a couple thousand years later. I often wonder how this early church could exist now? I wonder how we could be the best version of a covenant community to one another as we worship God?

There may not be a perfect answer to this, but we get a good taste of some of this covenant community when we run an event like VBS. The intergenerational contact that it provides really gives us an option to know our church family better. Children are blessed by the presence of each other and the loving adults in our community just as the adults are also blessed by the interactions with children. It is a reciprocal blessing to all.

I am thankful for the time we can spend together in this effort to love our children and receive the love back in our own lives. In the tiredness and stress that comes with attempting to redirect my messy nature in to organization I realize that there is nowhere I or many of our adults would rather be on VBS week than in those moments engaged with the children of our covenant community

My encouragement to you is to take part in this special time. We may not have an assigned role for you, but your presence is both a gift and a reward in a special time like this. Let the fullness of God's community become just slightly richer as you engage in the life of God's people. Amen.

Rev. Taylor Young

## CONSTRUCTION LOAN POST: MAY

Remaining Loan Balance: \$387,684.33 Amount Repaid to Date: \$410,843.18

Average Monthly Amounts Paid Against Loan:

Actual: \$8,400.00 in **MAY**

Goal (5-year loan repayment): \$14,000.00

Thank you for your continuous giving to the Capital Building Fund!

With your help, we can achieve our goal to pay off our loan in five years

(1 year and 6 months faster than current repayment pace),

Which will save us \$25,916.00 of interest versus our current repayment pace.

## CHILDREN'S CHOIR UPDATE



The Children's Choir is still meeting every Sunday from 9:15AM-9:30AM and will continue through June 10th. The children will present special music in the worship service on **Sunday, June 10, 2018**. If you have any questions, please see Lyndsay Koyama or Cheryl Routzahn.

## THANK YOU

Thank you to those who have volunteered numerous hours working around the church grounds to keep it looking beautiful. From working in the Prayer Garden and flower beds pulling weeds and planting flowers, to mowing the field, to general maintenance around the church, your hard work does not go unnoticed. We appreciate you!



You're Invited  
To A  
Bridal Shower

Honoring  
*Ashley Marklin*

Saturday, May 26, 2018

2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Clarksville CPC Fellowship Hall

Registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond  
and Dillard's

## SESSION NOTES

- \* The Session met in regular session May 20, 2018 at 6 PM with all 15 Elders present. Elder Carrie Stovall led the devotional and opening prayer.
- \* The finance report was presented. It was noted that all line item expenses were in order and the operating budget is just over 2% of the weekly need.
- \* The Mission Ministry Team report was given containing a recommendation for financial support for Lainey Persinger's mission trip to Mexico from the Carolyn Jackson Missions fund and passed.
- \* Sunday School Ministry Team report was presented and was noted there is a need for the children's department teachers.
- \* Youth Ministry Team report was presented noting many camp dates and proposed summer activities.
- \* Children's Ministry Team was presented noting need for Worship and Wonder Volunteers. A Zoo outing was scheduled for Sept 9<sup>th</sup> and the Fall Festival on October 27<sup>th</sup>.
- \* Meeting adjourned with prayer for the people.

## ARE YOU SIGNED UP?





Are you receiving church wide emails? If you aren't but would like to be added, please call Jessica in the church office 931.648.0817 or email her at [office@clarksvillecpc.com](mailto:office@clarksvillecpc.com). Don't miss out on important information, prayer requests, announcements, W.O.W. menu etc.





# JUNE 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:15 a.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal	4	5	6 9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters	7	8	9
Synodic Camp (June 3-8, 2018)						
10 9:15 a.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal Children to sing during worship Sunbeam Girls meet after worship 1:00 p.m. Project Linus	11 11:00 a.m. CPWM Day Circle 	12	13 9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters	14	15	16
Vacation Bible School — June 10-13 5:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Shipwrecked-Rescued by Jesus						
17 <i>Father's Day</i>  Urban Ministries Sunday	18 10:30 a.m. J.O.Y. Group Trip The Front Porch—Dickson, TN 	19	20 9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters	21 <i>First day of Summer</i> 	22	23
24 6:00 p.m. Session meets	25	26	27 9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters	28	29	30
Cumberland Presbyterian Youth Conference (CPYC) June 24-29, 2018						