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

Return Service Requested



April 28, 2019 Report	
Sunday School	158
Worship	205
Offering	\$5,927.85
Needed Weekly	\$7,573.00

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR MAY 5:

Liturgist:

Rev. Paula Louder

Ushers:

O'Neill and Cindy Winters
Bruce and Kendyl Kilby

Acolyte(s):

Wade and Georgia Greene

Children's Message:

Rev. Paula Louder

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, May 5:

12:30 p.m. Youth Volunteer Opportunity
(Loaves and Fishes)

Monday, May 6:

3:30 p.m. Handbell practice

Tuesday, May 7:

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Wednesday, May 8:

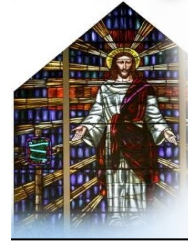
9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters
11:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study
5:15 p.m. W.O.W. meal
6:00 p.m. Programs for all ages
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 9:

9:00 a.m. Preschool

Saturday, May 11:

8:00 a.m. Men's Group



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, April 30, 2019

THE PRIVILEGE OF PRAYER

II Samuel 7 relates David's realization that God truly blessed him. He lived in a great palace with peaceful neighbors. He realizes that he should do more to serve and honor God. David's response was a humble and worshipful prayer. We are people who are more theologically educated and politically correct and as a result we are losing sight of the purpose of prayer. David demonstrates knowledge of God as well as the effort to better understand God's essence is enhanced by spending time in prayer. Indeed, it is our quiet times of conversation with our Father that fills our hearts and minds with a greater understanding of our Creator. There are sounds that we identify as prayer, and words roll from our tongues and have the appearance of being profound and even religious. Our quiet times of conversation should be more clearly defined as to purpose. It seems for some our understanding has lost its importance becoming vague or a mystical exercise for the average person to misunderstand. The purpose seems to be based on posture and eloquence on bended knee using an impressive vocabulary. Defining purpose means we pray as the situation arises and specific things arise for which we are thankful or extra guidance or strength for ourselves or others are asked. Each opportunity should be seen as appropriate conversation which takes place with a Person who has great love and understanding and the

BROTHER STEVE

best direction for faithful living.

Prayer is an attitude of worship and thanksgiving with no set standards except that we are mindful and respectful that we are in His presence. We can stand, sit or kneel, we can pray during the day or night. God is an ever present companion who is always near enough to have conversation. It is absolutely necessary to have time set aside in quiet and no outside stimulus as we seek God's presence but there are times during the day where we can have conversations with God as well. Paul teaches us to pray without ceasing and we can do that as we carry out our daily activities. Prayer is an important part of our spiritual development. As we look at our earthly relationships we quickly see how important communication is with others. Our communication with God should be so personal and so anticipated we can hardly wait to return to our time with Him. It is also a very good way to better know God, His character and how we fit into His plans. Our conversations with God give us the right attitude, strength and serenity to have a better grasp of His perspective. We should see prayer as the opportunity to spend time with our best friend and the reason we think that way is because He is our best friend who is always there and accepts us as we are!

Sunday Schedule:

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

PRAYER CONCERNS

Anna	Bruce Myers
James Alsobrooks	Wayne Neblett
Ann Anderson	Noble Noel
John Arrington	Russ Parchman
Betsy Atkins	Mary Lu Persinger
Jonathan Atkins' family	Alyce Powers
David Bulle	Doris Rinker
Dee Brock	Garrison Roberson
Susie Burchett	Mike Robinson
Owen Chambers	Kathie Roby
Jeane Clark	Sondra Roddy
Jace Coakley	Ginger Greene Rogers
Melanie Cobb	Scott Russell
Rhyan Collins	Homer Salyer
Kim Copeland	Tracy Schmittou
Rex Cummings	Eileen See
Ollie Faircloth	Linda Shipes
Margaret Farmer	E.G. Sims
Elizabeth Gassaway	Earleen Smith
Mike Gibson	W.L. Smith
Irma Gobleman	William Steppee
Bill Green	Nancy Suddarth
Shirley Greene	Marcus Thornhill
Bill Herndon	Bettye Tidwell
Ella Herndon	Greg Troupe
Teri Holt	Callie Verbist
Peggy Hunter	Beth Wallace
Keith Hurt	Rita Wallace
Christopher Johnson	Lori Waller
Daniel Johnson	Kay Watkins
Ken Kirby	Ron Williams
Bryan & Dana Lancaster	Pam Wilson
David Littleton	Jessie Winfield
Choi Lloyd	Don Winters
Timothy Logan	missionaries,
Maureen Long	law enforcement
Cissy Mandrell	officials,
Dave Marr	first responders,
Beverly Martin	school staff,
Allison McLeod	our students & youth,
Mary Lou McReynolds	our military,
Ricky Mixon	our nation,
	our world.

J.O.Y. GROUP

The J.O.Y Group Trip for May will be on **Monday, May 20th**. We'll leave the church at **10:30 a.m.** and have lunch at **L & R Soda Bar in Elkton, KY**. This is a group favorite, join us! The church bus fills up quickly, please call Barbara to reserve your spot (931-647-4956).



May 19th is
Urban Ministries Sunday.

Items needed for May

Adult Classes:

Canned Meat, Canned Soups
Cereal, Rice

All other classes bring Personal Items*

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

MEN'S GROUP

All men of our church (high schoolers included) are invited to become a part of the Men's Group! Our next meeting is **Saturday, May 11th from 8:00 a.m. -9:00 a.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. We're going to have breakfast and a devotional. This will be a time of fellowship for the men of the church. If you have any questions, see Scott Celusta.



THANK YOU

Church family,
Thank you for your thoughtfulness on my birthday. The cards poured in; they truly made my day special. Your thoughtfulness meant so much.

With love,
Sondra Roddy

THANK YOU

Dearest Church Family,
It is with heartfelt gratitude and thanks for all the cards, food, calls and prayers during the loss of Richard's mom. We are so blessed to be part of this church family.



With much love,
Richard and Carmela and family

SPAGHETTI FUNDRAISER

May 19, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. our church will be having a spaghetti lunch in the FLC as a fundraiser to help with building supplies for the our CPC in Popayan, Colombia, South America. Six members of our church will be traveling to Popayan on a mission trip this coming July. Please mark this date on your calendar and come ready to have a good meal and donate money to help continue the building project at the Popayan church. For information about this fundraiser you may call Mike Salyer at 931-217-8738.

GRADUATE SUNDAY

Attention 2019 Graduates! On **Sunday, May 19th**, we will have Graduate Sunday recognizing all active members graduating from preschool, high school, college or graduate school. Please provide us with the name of your school and your picture for the bulletin cover. You may drop off to the church office or email to office@clarksvillecpc.com. **The deadline to submit names and information is Monday, May 13th.**

SESSION NOTES

- * The Session met at the scheduled time, 6PM on April 28, 2019 with 11 Elders present. The opening devotion and prayer was led by Elder Barry Jones. The minutes were approved for the March meeting.
- * The monthly budget was presented by the Finance Ministry Team. Giving through the month of March is 2.1% above the monthly need and all line item budgets are within the 25% guideline.
- * Sunday School Ministry Team report was presented and the date for promotion Sunday will be August 18th.
- * Youth Ministry Team report was presented. The camp dates, fees and transportation have been established as well as other Youth activities.
- * Children's Ministry Team report was presented. Family Faith Fest was discussed and noted that even volunteers need to pre-register. The WOW curriculum will be SHINE which is a friendlier user curriculum than what is being currently used.
- * Frank Goudard, by affirmation of faith was received into the membership of the church.
- * The kitchen committee reported the project is greater than first thought and will progress to meet immediate needs will be taken care of first, with the total renovation being completed in 2020. This also allows for additional time to raise funds.
- * The meeting was adjourned with prayer of the people to meet May 19th, 2019 at 6PM which is one week earlier because of Memorial Day.

CHILDREN'S NEWS



Junior Camp * July 14th- July 20th * Forms online & in the office!



HERE WE GO AGAIN WITH MATTHEW 6:25-34

TAYLOR YOUNG

I could almost quote Matthew 6:25-34 to you by memory. I know the verse well. Despite knowing it well, I always struggle with living in to the words in every area of life. It's because I am stuck in the cycle of more.

The cycle of more is that piece of life that says if I can just have a little more, I'll be a lot happier. I don't know what your "more" is, but mine tends to be wrapped up in guitars and a nicer car. The reality is I have a perfectly sufficient set of guitars to play and enjoy. My family has two running vehicles that get us sufficiently from point A to point B. If I step back in my life I can see that God has made me a very fortunate man with an amazing wife, clothes, food, a house, a job, and even some left over resources to have some fun with. But that is not the essence of blessing. God is! We all need to work on trusting in that better.

We are a society that encourages self-reliance and trust in the things that we can build for ourselves. This can easily turn in to jealousy when we see others providing just a little bit more than we do and can make us easily want more.

What I am saying is that we need to start breaking this cycle that says we need more to be really be provided for and that we need ourselves to be those providers. We need to rely on God's provision, and I think that's harder to do the more fortunate you find yourself in life. I think it is natural to get to a point of saying I provided a lot, but I wish I could just have more. But if you ever encounter the homeless you'll often here the phrase look what God did for me today. That's a phrase we all need to adopt People of God, stop and see what great things God did for you today.

God meets your needs and provisions. You have salvation and relationship with God. You're beyond rich and blessed with that despite what you can afford with money. Just stop and look at the birds and flowers and know that you are blessed and provided for and so am I.

-Taylor-


You're Invited
To a Wedding Shower
Honoring
Evan Celusta & KayCee Lindberg
Sunday, June 2nd, 2019
Following Worship-Fellowship Hall
Registered at Walmart, Target and
Bed, Bath and Beyond

THANK YOU

Church family,

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, phone calls and visits after Don's surgery. Please continue praying as he goes through his treatments again and his re-occurring heart problems.

With love,
Don and Ginny Winters



DO YOU HAVE KEYS?

If you currently have keys to the church buildings and do not use them on a weekly basis, we ask that you please return those to the office. We have a large number of keys that haven't been returned. We are happy to lend them out on a need basis, but for security purposes, we want to keep the outstanding keys to a minimum. Thank you for helping us with this.



STOTT-WALLACE OFFERING



The Clarksville CP will receive the **Stott-Wallace Missionary Offering** on Pentecost Sunday, **June 9th**. Please be in prayer concerning the gift that you will give. In the past, Clarksville CP has been very generous in its support. Let us continue to serve and support world missions and the spread of the gospel message. Our church goal is \$2,000.00. Envelopes will be available in the narthex.

YOUTH NEWS

There will be a volunteer opportunity Sunday, May 5th from 12:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. to help with Showers of Love through Loaves and Fishes. We'll grab lunch together and then head that way. Sign up with Taylor.

Mark Your Calendars! Summer Events:

June 2nd- June 7th: Synodic

June 23rd- June 28th: CPYC

July 7th- July 12th: Junior High Camp

July 16th- July 20th: Triennium

EASTER LILLIES

Because of your generous giving to the Easter Lily offering and during the Easter breakfast, we collected \$1,673.00 to send to Loaves and Fishes. Thank you!



What is it?

It is a child centered event where we invite all ages of the church to come together and develop a connected community in a way that pours in to the lives of the children. There will be both times of age appropriate activities where children will be with just each other and intergenerational activities where people of all ages will participate in growing our community.

When is it?

Friday, June 7 (5:00 PM- 7:00 PM) &
Saturday, June 8 (10:00 AM-5:00 PM)

Who can attend?

Children and anyone!

While it is centered around building up our children, it is intended for our whole church family to take part. That's where we get the name Family Faith Fest. It's not about individual families, but our church family.

Will meals be provided?

Friday: Dinner Saturday: Lunch & Snacks

Can I still sign up to volunteer?

Yes! But here's the fun part: volunteers will not have to work 100% of the time. You will have times to volunteer and then times to participate and grow as a community.

How much does it cost?

It's free! However, if you want a T-Shirt please register by May 26th and we ask a small donation of \$5 per shirt.

Where do I sign up?





Easy online sign up at: www.clarksvillecpc.com

The deadline for information for the Sunday bulletin is Fridays at 8:00 AM and the deadline for the newsletter is Mondays at 8:00 AM prior to each newsletter mailing.



MAY 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters 11:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study 5:15 p.m. W.O.W. meal 6:00 p.m. Programs for all ages 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	2 9:00 a.m. Preschool	3	4
5 12:30 p.m. Youth to Loaves and Fishes	6 3:30 p.m. Hand bell practice	7 9:00 a.m. Preschool	8 9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters 11:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study 5:15 p.m. W.O.W. meal 6:00 p.m. Programs for all ages 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	9 9:00 a.m. Preschool	10	11 8:00 a.m. Men's Group 
12 <i>Mother's Day</i>	13 Graduate Sunday Picture Deadline 11:00 a.m. CPWM Day Circle 3:30 p.m. Hand bell practice 	14 9:00 a.m. Preschool	15 9:00 a.m. Mission Quilters 11:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study 5:15 p.m. W.O.W. meal 6:00 p.m. Programs for all ages 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Last Adult Bible Studies and W.O.W. until August)	16 <i>Last day of Preschool</i> 	17	18
19 Graduate Sunday Urban Ministries Sunday Spaghetti Luncheon Fundraiser-FLC following worship 6:00 p.m. Session meets	20 8:00 a.m. Newsletter deadline 10:30 a.m. J.O.Y. Trip L&R Soda Bar- Elkton, KY 3:30 p.m. Hand bell practice 	21	22 Youth to Sounds Game 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	23	24	25
26	27 <i>Memorial Day Office Closed</i>	28	29 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. Youth Bonfire 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal	30	31 Office Closed	