

*The purpose Of First
Cumberland Presbyterian Church
is to glorify and worship God, sharing the love and saving
grace of Jesus Christ with all people.*

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

In Nursing Homes and Homebound

Kathleen Clark, Vivian Coleman, Jim Luton, Norma Luton, Jane Karlson, Richard Holbrook, Betty Schow, Mary Carpenter, Mary Hensley, Jo Cogswell

Members

Joyce Reedy, Rolf Reedy, Kayleen Kelsey, Patricia Gerula

Family and Friends

Christian sympathy is extended to Mitzi Griffin and family on the death of her father-in-law, Bronce Griffin, who passed away on Tuesday, August 27.

Christian sympathy is extended to Patrick & Elizabeth McKenrick on the death of her father, Patrick McKinney on Saturday, August 31st.

David Hull, cousin of Theresa McKenrick; Dylan Duncan, grandson of Larry & Dotty Herron; Nancy Simons, friend of Barry Shelton; Kyle Blassingame, friend of Duncan Shelton; Gary Renegar, cousin of Linda Diggs; Alex Roach, friend of Margaret & Carlton Harper; Sean Powers, friend of Larry & Dotty Herron; Victoria Lenne; Bruce Wurdeman, brother-in-law of Ward Marsh; Rebecca and Alexis, friends of Meg Schreiber; Linda Greter, sister of Theresa McKenrick; Dick Schreiber, brother of Meg Schreiber; Sandra Parker; Karen Treadway. Terry & Karen Gray, neighbors of Meg Schreiber

SERMON SUNDAY

September 8, 2019

13th Sunday after Pentecost

Message: *Fear of the Future*

Scripture: *Matthew 11:25-27*

THE SESSION

Class of 2019

Jon Keck
Mitzi Griffin
George Pace

Class of 2020

Linda Diggs
Ward Marsh
Gerald Poulin

Class of 2021

Sarah Makin
Don McKenrick
Blake Shelton

OUR FAITHFULNESS

	August 25	September 1
Sunday School:	18	18
Morning Worship:	67	67
Offering:	\$ 2,614.00	\$6,204.00

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

First Cumberland
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127 Lafayette Drive
P.O. Box 4836
Oak Ridge, TN 37831-4836

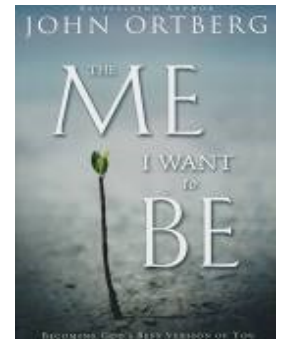


The Promoter

First Cumberland Presbyterian Church
127 Lafayette Drive, Oak Ridge, TN 37830
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www.1stpc.org
Rev. Dr. Larry Blakeburn, Pastor
September 3, 2019

WEDNESDAY EVENING STUDY

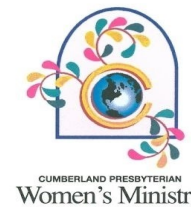
The most important task in life is not what you do but who you become. Pastor Blakeburn will be leading a study of *The Me I Want to Be* by John Ortberg at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings beginning September 4 and ending on October 2. There is a me each one of us wants to be. Someone who's more kind and generous, patient and loving, but there is a gap between the me I am and the me I want to be. This is a powerful study in becoming the unique, fully alive, flourishing people God intended. John Ortberg teaches through five sessions about how you can move toward becoming God's best version of you.



CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Ruth Circle meets the third Thursday of the month starting September 19th at 10:30 a.m. The women of Ruth Circle have a pot luck lunch and Bible study time in Founder's Hall.

Evening Circle meets the fourth Thursday of the month starting September 26th at 6:30 p.m. A member of the circle provides a light supper and Bible study time in Founder's Hall. Both of these circles support organizations in the community and our denomination. All women of the church are invited to be a part of one or both circles! Come join us for fellowship and Bible study.



SEPTEMBER SUNDAY DINNER

We will be having Sunday Dinner on September 22 at 5:30. Please plan to join us for great food and fellowship. The charge for the meal is \$5 and children 12 and under eat free.



SESSION REPORT August 13, 2019

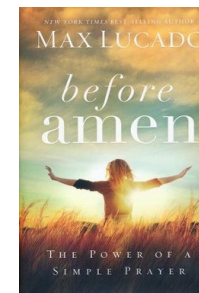
**Doyle Jones, roofing architect, presented a summary of details regarding the condition and remedy for sanctuary leak issues. Renderings of cladding for the exterior spire were presented.

- 1. Devotional and Opening Prayer:** Gerald Poulin
- 2. Present:** Rev. Blakeburn, Linda Diggs, Mitzi Griffin, Jon Keck, Sarah Makin, Ward Marsh, Don McKenrick, George Pace, Gerald Poulin, Blake Shelton
- 3. Treasurer's Report:** Received in July: \$15,526.73. Needed: \$16,721.27.
- 4. Communications:** a. Letter accompanying withdrawal of money from Stoutt-Greer Educational Fund for special scholarship award to Duncan Shelton. b. Letters of appreciation from Missions Ministry Team for gifts totaling \$305 to Stott-Wallace Missionary Fund. c. Letter of appreciation from ADFAC for gift of \$750. d. Letter of appreciation from KARM for donations to Karm Store.
- 5. Pastor's Report:** a. Received report of 189th meeting of General Assembly. b. The Plan for Union of CPCA and CPC denominations was approved at both General Assemblies in June. It will be distributed to churches in East Tennessee Presbytery at the Fall Presbytery for study and a vote to be taken at the April 2020 meeting of Presbytery. The vote for unification will be finalized when approved by a majority of presbyteries (8 CPCA Presbyteries and 13 CPC Presbyteries).
- 6. Administrative Ministry:** Linda Diggs was elected delegate and Ward Marsh, alternate delegate, for October 5 meeting of Presbytery to be held at Young's Chapel.
- 7. Christian Education Ministry:** a. Age divisions for Sunday School are as follows: Nursery (0-3 years), Preschool/Elementary (4-9 years), Preteen (10-12 years), Sr. High (13 years and older). b. Discussed need for additional volunteers assisting in nurseries during worship service. c. The Sunday afternoon Kid's Activity Club will meet once per month during the school year. d. An adult evening study will meet on Wednesday's, September 4-October 2. Rev. Blakeburn will lead a study of John Ortberg's book, *The Me I Want to Be*. e. A Christmas Brunch and Children's Program will be held on Sunday, December 22, in lieu of Sunday School. f. The 2019-2020 roster of Sunday School teachers and Children's Chapel leaders was presented for approval.

- 8. Communications and Marketing:** a. October 26 is the date set for Falloween event. b. Caring Meals Ministry will continue.
- 9. Properties Ministry:** a. The cost of remediation for basement flooding occurrence was \$3,003 to ServPro. b. Invoice in the amount of \$2,351 to be paid to Doyle Jones. c. Additional information was requested of Doyle Jones.
- 10. Stewardship Ministry:** Budget requests from ministries are due September 1st.
- 11. Old Business:** a. An informational meeting for elders was held on July 21 following worship service regarding status of sanctuary leak/spire project. b. Presentation of award to Duncan Shelton is scheduled for September 15 during the worship service.
- 12. New Business:** a. An assessment will be made regarding the proposed donation of a piano by the family of Joni Gary. b. By motion, Jon Keck will pursue information (including city codes) and cost of a lit cross which could be placed at top of the spire.
- 13. Closing Prayer:** Larry Blakeburn



THE KID'S ACTIVITY CLUB will have its first meeting of the new year on Sunday, September 15, at 2:00. Sarah Makin and Linda Diggs lead the group in a variety of fun activities and service projects. Kid's Club is for children ages 4-12.



JOURNEY STUDY GROUP

This group meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall. We will begin a study of Max Lucado's book, *Before Amen*, on Sunday, September 8. "Prayer is not a privilege for the pious, not the art of a chosen few. Prayer is simply a heartfelt conversation between God and His child. My friend, He wants to talk with you. Even now as you read these words, He taps at the door. Open it. Welcome Him in." We hope you will plan to join us for fellowship and discussion.