

# THE CUMBERLAND CHRONICLE

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Jesus said, "I have come as light to the world, so that everyone who believes in me will not remain in darkness. John 12:46

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## L-O-V-E

February is the Month of Love. Valentine's Day is celebrated in February. It is a special day of the expression of love and is generally associated with romantic love between two people that are in a relationship such as courtship or marriage; and also over the years, has come to be associated with familial love.

Did you know however, that the holiday has its roots in a Christian festival? It was known and officially accepted as the Christian "Festival of St. Valentine" until 1969. There are many legends surrounding the origin of the holiday and it is associated with at least two different Christian leaders of the name "Valentinius" in ancient Rome.

**One legend contends that Valentinius was a priest who served during the third century in Rome. When Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers than those with wives and families, he outlawed marriage for young men — his crop of potential soldiers. Valentinius, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret. When Valentinius' actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that he be put to death but not until after he had interviewed Valentinius personally. It is said that the two men actually found that they liked each other and attempted to convert each other to their own beliefs, but when Valentinius refused, Claudius II had no choice but to send him back to prison to await execution. It is here according to some legends, Valentine actually sent the first "valentine" greeting himself. While in prison, it is believed that Valentine fell in love with a young girl who may have been his jailor's daughter that Valentinius had healed and afterward, she would come and visit him during his confinement. This miracle of healing is what gave him the title of Santa Valentinius (St. Valentine). Before his death, it is alleged that he wrote the girl a letter, which he signed "Tu Valentinius" ("Your Valentine"), an expression that is still in use today.**

The Word of God, particularly in the New Testament is filled with passages about love. Jesus said the greatest commandment is to LOVE God and to LOVE your neighbor as yourself.

He asked Peter, "Do you LOVE me?"

The apostle Paul said, "If I speak with the tongue of men and angels but do not have LOVE, I am but a clanging gong and a sounding cymbal"

Jesus even tells us to LOVE our enemies.

We are called to express our love to God and to others through our actions and also through our words because we are the family of God. Godly love is never wrong and as Paul also said in I Corinthians, it never fails. We need to tell people in our lives that we love them, yes even our enemies! People need to hear that. It is emotionally healthy for us and to others to tell them that we love them. Both the speaker of the words and the hearers receive benefit. Did you know that statistically, people who feel loved live longer and are generally happier and healthier through their lifetimes? It is true! Make sure that you let people know that you love them. It may be your spouse, children, parent, friend, neighbor, or someone in the church or at your workplace. Wherever and whoever it is tell them today that you love them.

*In Christian Love,  
Richard*

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Wednesday's at 6:30 PM!

Make plans now to have your children attend and participate in these fun and educational gatherings!

**KIDS! INVITE YOUR FRIENDS TO COME WITH YOU!**

Contact the Pastor or Katie Baker for details.

If you would like to provide the meal for the Wednesday Evening Children's program, please sign the sheet in the narthex.

## **Children's Sunday Worship Programs**

For those who may not know, we now offer two different children's worship activities on Sunday mornings.

There is one for Pre-school and early elementary age that is headed up by Marianne Sharp.

There is another group that has been recently initiated for upper elementary and junior high aged groups that is led by Donna Breeden.

We would like to encourage you to have your children at church on a regular basis to participate in these worship and educational programs.

## **MINUTES OF THE CHURCH SESSION**

The Session of Talbott Cumberland Presbyterian Church met in a regular meeting (rescheduled because Rev. Richard Reid will be away on Sunday, Jan. 8) on Tuesday, January 3, 2012 at the church. The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Moderator Richard Reid.

A quorum was present.

Business included:

- a) Discussion of a pastoral search committee. This group will be comprised of: Elder representative Jeanie Saunders, Deacon representative Larry Knoll; 5 members of the congregation will be asked to join this group from a list suggested by the session.
- b) Treasurer's report was given orally. A December 2011 monthly statement will be an insert in the bulletin.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved.

The next meeting will be March 11, 2012 at 4:00pm.



## **FEBRUARY**

- 02 Janet Baldrige
- 10 Woody Hamm
- 11 Lynn Spain
- 12 Judy Rolen
- 13 Marcella Franklin
- 14 Mathew Case
- 16 Michael Eldridge
- 17 Donna Breeden
- 18 Richard Snowden
- 21 Kelli Rose
- 23 Richard Breeden

## **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

- 23 Hollis & Edith Quarles



## ***THOSE SERVING FOR THE MONTH***

- Elder of the Month** – Geraldean Carmichael
- Deacon of the Month** – Larry Knoll
- Greeters for the Month** – Kristie Woolard
- Greeters for March** – Jane Satterfield

## **Prayer of Gifts and Self**

- 02/05 Jeanie Saunders
- 02/12 Gereldean Carmichael
- 02/19 Terry Sanders
- 02/26 Marianne Sharp
- 03/04 Eva Hamm

***To those you who are reading this newsletter and do not have a church home, we welcome you to join us!***

- Sunday School – 10:00 a.m.*
- Sunday Worship – 11:00 a.m.*
- Sunday Bible Study – 7:00 p.m.*

## ***Wednesday Activities***

- Kids Club – 6:30 p.m.*
- Bible Study – 6:45 p.m.*
- Choir Rehearsal – 7:15 p.m.*

Note: If you would like to receive the newsletter and the Pastor's Weekly by email, please make sure we have your correct email address.

## Upcoming Events

- Feb 05      Food Pantry Drive  
11:00 am Communion Service
- Feb 14      Happy Valentine's Day!
- Feb 16      6:00pm C.P.W.M. meeting
- Feb 21      7:00 pm Worship at Life Care Jeff.  
City
- Feb 23      6:00pm C.P.W.M. Lady's Night Out.
- Feb 26      Building Fund offering  
6:00 pm Family Night
- March 04    Food Pantry Drive  
11:00 am Communion Service

## Community Food Pantry Needs

Please remember that the first Sunday of the month, is the day we collect for our monthly Food Drive that goes to the local food pantry. Let us challenge ourselves to do all that we can in our giving!

## LifeCare Service

Please remember to join us for an evening of worship and fellowship at LifeCare of Jefferson City on every third Tuesday of the month at 7:00PM.

## C.P.W. LADIES NIGHT OUT!

The Cumberland Presbyterian Women Ladies Night Out will be on February 23, 2012 @ 6:00pm. Please R.S.V.P. to GERALDEAN CARMICHAEL.

## THANK YOU!

THANKS for the special donations given to the church, building or stained glass funds:

*In memory of Grace Horner Kilbourne.*

### *"Thank You So Much"*

To the ladies of the church, thank you so much for the gift card. We have used the card & certainly appreciate it. Thank you for remembering us.

*Sincerely,  
Tom & Glenna Price*

If you would like to receive a statement of your 2011 contributions to the church (for IRS purposes), please sign the sheet on the desk in the narthex.

## In Our Thoughts and Prayers

### Church Family in our Thoughts and Prayers:

#### Homebound:

Madge Gardner- staying with her son, Cleveland  
Herb & Lindy Graf – Lifecare in Rutledge  
Cora Horner – Lifecare of Jefferson City

#### Prayer Concerns:

Eric Dietz  
Joseph Dietz  
Tom Price  
Scott Snowden  
Michael Stanbery  
Dale Young

#### Those Grieving:

Edna Thom Family  
Mable Mariott Family  
Ken Ripley Family  
Mary Frances Baskette Burchfiel Family  
Grace Kilbourne Family  
Dorothy Haney Family  
Delmer McNeil Family  
Barbara Long Family  
Janice Middleton Family

#### Praise GOD!

Beth Horner  
Judy Rolen  
Jasmine Lindenschmidt  
Riley Saunders  
Susie Beth Hickey  
Judy Loveday

#### MISSIONARIES:

Korean Mission  
Matt & Heather Wallace  
Glenn Watts

Please remember those listed in the weekly bulletins that may not be listed here.

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(See Leviticus 24:20)

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COULDN'T GET THEM TO GO BACK IN PROPERLY

# CHURCH CALENDAR



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For once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light.  
Live as children of light-- Ephesians 5:8

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