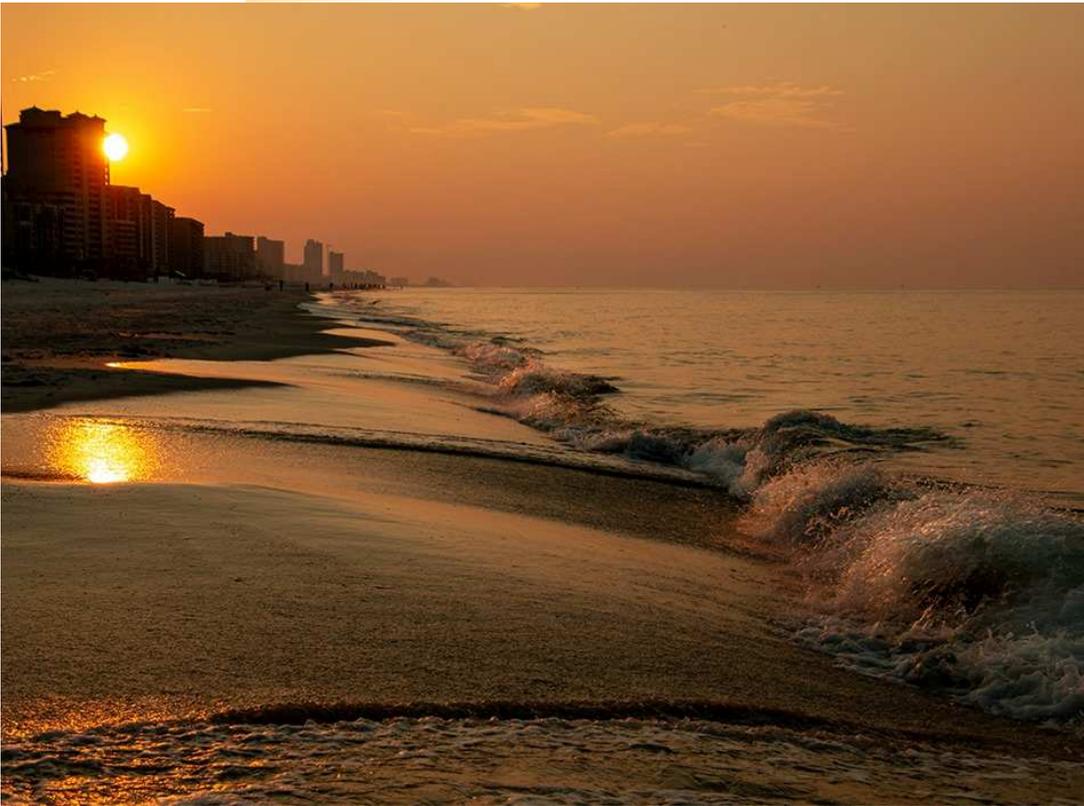


FELLOWSHIP FAMILY NEWS

June 2019



SO GOD CREATED THE GREAT CREATURES OF THE SEA AND EVERY LIVING THING WITH WHICH THE **WATER** TEEMS AND THAT MOVES ABOUT IN IT, ACCORDING TO THEIR KINDS, AND EVERY WINGED BIRD ACCORDING TO ITS KIND. AND GOD SAW THAT IT WAS GOOD.

GENESIS 1:21

THANK YOU

Needs of Many would like to thank everyone who “took a fan to church.”

Kathy Amos

Ushers

June 9: David and Libby Sabella

June 16: Pat Black and Mike Fisher

June 23: Tammy Marts and Chris Steiger

June 30: John and Mary Martin

July 7: Lynn Kelsh and Tammy Marts

Acolytes

June 9: John and Mary Martin

June 16: Tammy Marts and Lynn Kelsh

June 23: Mike and Toni Fisher

June 30: June Arnold and Roy Gould

July 7: Mike and Katie Risk

Greeters

June 9: Chris Steiger and Lynda Meek

June 16: Sandra Thorn and Jerry Jones

June 23: Barbara Flippin and Sandra Thorn

June 30: Ejler and Joy Olsen

July 7: Barbara Flippin and Sandra Thorn

JULY BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Rachel MacKercher 7-4

Kathy Amos 7-7

Amanda King 7-11

Howard Flippin 7-13

Jay Sabella 7-15

Kathy Lane 7-15

Tammy Marts 7-19

William and Annetta Hoversten 7-19

EJ and Joy Olson 7-21

Kylee Sabella 7-23

Toni Fisher 7-24

Pete MacKercher 7-26

Jerry and Marjie Jones 7-29

JL and Peggy Hickman 7-29

Corrine Sodergren 7-29

Pat Baker 7-31



Nursery

June 9: Kathy Amos and Lizzy Hancock

June 16: Barbara Flippin and Freida Mauthe

June 23: Donna and Dana Wallace

June 30: Terry King and Christy Hancock

July 7: Jerry Jones and Ellen MacKercher

SUMMARY OF THE ACTIONS OF OUR SESSION

By Andy Marts, Stated Clerk of Session

The Session of the Fellowship (Baxter) Cumberland Presbyterian Church met in regular session on Wednesday May 22, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Hudson Fellowship Hall. Present were the following Elders: Christy Hancock, Sandra Thorn, John Martin, Gay King, Lynn Kelsh, Jerry Jones, and Pat Black. Also present was Moderator Gary Tubb and Stated Clerk Andy Marts. Lynn Kelsh opened the meeting with a devotion followed by prayer.

The minutes for the April 2019 regular meeting were approved.

Accepted the treasurer's report for April 2019.

Approved placing American Flags along the front of the church property for Memorial Day.

Removed Dave Boynton from the Roll of Members by his death on May 6, 2019. Also removed Bill and Rosemary Lewis from the Roll of Members by transfer of letter to First United Methodist Church in Mountain Home, Arkansas.

Acting as nominating committee for the election of elders at the congregational meeting, the session approved placing in nomination for a 1 year term Ralf Mauthe (filling the remaining year of Dave Boynton's term).

John Martin closed the meeting in prayer.

Next meeting will be Wednesday June 26, 2019 in the Hudson Fellowship Hall.

FATHER'S DAY IS JUNE 16TH

The story is told of a father of five children who came home with a toy. He summoned his children and asked which of them should be given the present. "Who is the most obedient one here? Who never talks back to Mom and does everything that Mom says to do?" He inquired. There were a few seconds of silence, and then all of the children said in one accord: "You play with it Daddy!"

AS I SEE IT

I am looking forward to the next few weeks with a lot of joy and anticipation. There will be changes and repeats which are met with open arms. Let me explain.

Yesterday, our skinny cat named Whiney came bringing her 3 kittens to us. This was an event which we did not expect. We thought that she would not have any kittens. (We do understand nature.) It was pure excitement for Kim and me to hold those little, fragile bodies of fur, which will need a lot of nurturing and love in order to grow up.

This reminds me that whenever we have visitors in our midst, we need to meet and greet them. Learn something about them. Then do it all over again the next time we see them. We may even to ask them their names again. More than likely they do not remember your name from the last visit. Each visitor needs to be nurtured and cultivated to become a part of the congregation. The initial meeting is a fragile time in what could be a long term relationship for you and the church.

In a few days, Kim and I will head to the General Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church which will be held in Huntsville, Alabama. (This is about an hour from where we last lived.) While the General Assembly may appear like a time of slow motion which accomplishes very little, it is a time when we are reminded that we are a part of a religious organization which has a goal of sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our local areas and abroad.

There will be one family from South America being commissioned to go to Spain as missionaries. Part of Our United Outreach (OUO) monies goes to support them. There will be continued work to try to unite the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America. We are about two years away from an actual vote for reunification. I will be glad when it finally occurs and we are reunited as one denomination.

There are committees meeting which are addressing issues which are sensitive to the integrity of the denomination. Some will be tweaked a bit while some need to never change.

At the end of the General Assembly, I will move just a few miles down the road to Chattanooga, Tennessee, to officiate the wedding of a young woman who was a child when we moved to Stevenson, Alabama, some 14 years ago. Margaret Ellen was 8 years old. Kim and I watched her grow into an active teenager with visions of being a softball pitcher somewhere. This fall she will be student teaching in elementary and special education. Her future husband will finish his degree this fall while working in a local bank.

I met with them and am pleased with the way that they think. They are a young couple who are active in the Stevenson Cumberland Presbyterian Church. I think they are a good fit for each other.

We will have a repeat which we do at least twice a year. We will visit Kim's mother and sister Sarah. I am fortunate to have known Mrs. Holloway for over 50 years. I am fortunate that she loves me as a son much more than a son-in-law. She has supported me at each level of ministry in which I have been involved. This includes prayer, money for ministry, advice, and a Bible. She honored me by asking me to preach the funerals of her mother and her son Paul. We have shared a lot of time and I expect to share a lot more before the Lord calls her home. There is a lot in her that is like the Energizer Bunny at the age of 92.

After all of this excitement, we will enjoy a few days in the Pigeon Forge/Gatlinburg/Smokey Mountain area with a few 100,000 of our "nearest and dearest friends." It will be fun!

When we get back home, we will once again enjoy the home that the church provides along with the embellishments of flowers we have planted and the beautiful yard. We are so thankful that we can count on Peggy and J L to help us out with the watering and feeding the cats when we are gone.

I look forward to the repeats of worship and preparing for the events in the church year. All of it is meant to remind us that there is a future which awaits those who have professed the Lord Jesus Christ as personal Saviour. Continue to put forward the love of the Christ with each step that you take. This will help build the Kingdom of GOD and your personal faith.

Remember your church and the obligations that we have in maintaining the programs we have here. We are only able to financially continue because of your faithfulness.

Kim and I look forward to worshipping with you each Lord's day. Stay strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.
Bro. Gary

**ANNOUNCEMENT: ON SUNDAY, JUNE 23RD,
The OK Club will have a Hamburger/Hotdog Luncheon with Ice Cream/Desserts.
This is an important Fund Raiser.**

Make plans to support this organization of the church and stay for lunch on this day. You will be glad you did.

Send information for this newsletter to Marjie Jones, 946 Tipton Loop, Mountain Home, AR 72653 OR call me at 870-425-7190 OR email me at mjjones@suddenlink.net OR drop it in the newsletter box at the church.

We're on the Web!
<http://www.fellowshipcumberland.org/>

FAMILY HONORS



Karissa Lonon graduated from Westlake High School in Dallas, Texas. Proud grandparents are Mike and Katie Risk.



Olivia Fisher Bickford, daughter of Mike and Toni Fisher, will be inducted into the University of the Ozarks Sports Hall of Fame on Oct 18, 2019. **Olivia (Fisher) Bickford '09** was a three-sport standout for Ozarks from 2004-09, starting in basketball, tennis and soccer. As a four-year starter in basketball, Bickford earned All-ASC freshman honors in 2004-2005 and All-ASC All-East honorable mention honors following both her junior and senior seasons. She is fourth in career rebounding (817). In soccer, she was also a four-year starter, starting every game from her freshman to senior seasons. She was a team captain and midfielder and in 2006 assumed goal-keeper duties for an injured teammate and had 175 saves in 19 matches. In tennis, she played No. 1 singles and doubles for four years and remains third in career singles victories (22), fourth in career doubles victories (18) and fourth in singles winning percentage (.564). She was a two-time U of O Female Athlete of the Year.

ANNOUNCEMENT

SUNDAY, JUNE 23RD

The OK Club will have a Hamburger/Hotdog Luncheon after church, with home made Ice Cream/ Desserts.

This is a fund raiser for the OK Club to help fund the club projects. Many of their projects directly benefit the church.

Make plans to support this organization of the church and stay for lunch on this day. You will be glad you did.

A Sunday School teacher decided to have her young class memorize one of the most quoted passages in the Bible -- Psalm 23. She gave the youngsters a month to learn the verse. Little Bobby was excited about the task, but he just couldn't remember the Psalm. After much practice, he could barely get past the first line. On the day that the kids were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the congregation, Bobby was so nervous. When it was his turn, he stepped up to the microphone and said proudly, "The Lord is my shepherd . . . and that's all I need to know!"