



NEWS FROM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH | KNOXVILLE

ACTIVITIES FOR TODAY

Good Humor Team #6 will cook and serve breakfast for the homeless, beginning at 6:00 a.m. Team members should notify team captain, Steve Doak at 740-0611 is unable to participate.

The Sacrament of Baptism will be received by Adele Thorson Low, daughter of Molly Harrill Polk and Peter David Low at the 11:00 a.m. service. Grandparents are Lucie and Bob Polk.

ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Al-Anon meets in the Jesus' Friends Classroom each Monday at noon.

Good Humor Team #5 will cook and service a meal for the homeless on Tuesday, December 29th. Team members should notify team captain, Joan Register at 522-8954 if unable to participate.

OF CONGREGATIONAL INTEREST

From the Clerk of Session: REMEMBER to return your Knox Fellowship questionnaire in preparation for our Leadership Retreat. Completed questionnaires should be sent to the church office. Don't have a questionnaire or have a questionnaire question? Contact the church office or Zoe Evans at zevans@bellsouth.net or 588-8286.

Senior Pastor, William C. Pender, will be away from the office Monday, December 28 through Wednesday, December 30.

Alyssa Murray, Church Secretary, will be away from the office Tuesday, December 29th through Thursday, December 31st.

Ashley Burell Organist/Choirmaster, will be away from the office Tuesday, December 29th through Thursday, December 31st.

Associate Pastor, Paul Rader, will be away from the office Wednesday, December 30 and Thursday, December 31.

Parents Day Out will be closed for winter break through January 3rd and will reopen on Monday, January 4th.

The Christian Education Committee will meet on Sunday, January 3 at noon in the library.

All Committee Night will be held on Thursday, January 7 at 6:00 p.m. beginning in fellowship hall. The Global Missions Committee is responsible for refreshments.

A BIG Thank You to Barbara Brown's Circle #3, and to Jean Moore, party chair, for the gifts of hats and socks for all of the Jesus' Friends clients for the Christmas Party held on December 13. I am sure they are much appreciated during these colder months. Holly Watts

Congregational Sympathy is extended to Steve and Maria Otzenberger in the death of Steve's mother, Florence Otzenberger, who passed away suddenly on Thursday, December 17 in Boise, Idaho.



Congregational Congratulations is extended to Emily and Preston in the birth of their daughter, Laura Claire Smith, who was born on December 22 weighing 8 pounds and 11 ounces. Proud big brother is Charlie.

WEEKLY CALENDAR
FOR GROUPS AND COMMITTEES
DECEMBER 27, 2009 - JANUARY 2, 2010

Sunday, 12/27
 8:45 a.m. Chapel Worship Service
 9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 10:40 a.m. Coffee Fellowship
 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship Service
 12:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

Monday, 12/28
 12:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meets

Wednesday, 12/30
 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, 12/31
 Church Office Closes
 at Noon

Friday, 1/1
 Church Office Closed



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA) MISSION CO-WORKERS

Douglas Dicks Jordan
 Frank and Nancy Dimmock Lesotho

Jed Koball and Alexandra Buck Peru
 Farris and Thelma Goodrum Brazil

Thomas and Judy Harvey England
 Carlton and Dessa Palm Philippines

VISITORS ARE WELCOME!

Please sign the Friendship Book to let us know you were here!

The Friendship Book is passed each Sunday for guests and members to sign. Guests are invited to give their name, address, phone number, and email address, if applicable.

Infrared headset receivers for the hearing impaired with printed instructions may be obtained from your usher. Please leave the headset in the seat after each service.

Childcare is provided for infants through first grade during all chapel and sanctuary services for the convenience of the children and parents, and the congregation.

Enlarged copies of today's Sanctuary Order of Worship are located at the doors to the sanctuary.

If you would like to listen to our 11:00 a. m. worship service on our webcast, please go to liveaudio.fpcknox.org. If you are a member and are experiencing any problem with getting the service, please notify the church office and someone from the Communications Committee will help you set up your computer so that you will be able to listen to the service.

Copies of our Pastors' sermons for the previous Sunday are available outside all doors of the sanctuary and chapel for one week and thereafter are located in the church library. Copies of past sermons from August 11, 2002, (except for guest ministers) can also be found on our website at www.fpcknox.org/sermons

Wheelchairs are available near the elevators on the sanctuary level for those who have difficulty walking. Please call ahead if you will need help from the parking lot. Ushers will assist you.

In the event of inclement weather notification of cancellation of services, will be a recorded message (546-2531), on your email, or our website.

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PLEASE NOTE: *Submissions to the "Turnip Patch Times"* must be received in the office by **noon on the Monday** prior to the upcoming Sunday. Submissions may be placed in the offering plate, submitted on a communication pew card (found with the offering envelopes), brought to the office, faxed to 546-2533 or emailed to times@fpcknox.org or barb@fpcknox.org. To avoid errors, we cannot take submissions over the phone.



"An Adventure in Faith" Leadership Retreat January 22-23, 2010 MainStay Suites, Pigeon Forge

Completed registration forms and payments can be delivered to the Church office by any of the following methods:

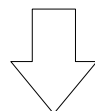
- Registering at the Retreat sign-up table in Fellowship Hall
- Placing them in the offering plate on Sunday
- Mail via U.S. Postal Service
- Hand deliver to the Church office
- Online using the Leadership Retreat Sign-Up link on the church website

Forms and payments are due no later than January 4, 2010.



Elder Susan Garlington is leading an intercessory prayer group in preparation for our Leadership Retreat, "An Adventure in Faith." All members are invited to join the group in the chapel each Sunday immediately following the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

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On Wednesday, January 6 at 6:00 p.m., there will be a Service for the *Feast of Epiphany* followed by a Party of the Three Kings (Los Tres Reyes Magos). Our ensemble, Musica Sacra and Covenant Choirs, K-Grade 5 will lead in this

service. Anthems by the ensemble will include *Here Is the Little Door* -Howells and *Saw You Never in the Twilight* -Friedell. Hymns led by the children will include *We Three Kings* and *Bring We the Frankincense of Our Love*. The Service will be held in the Chapel and the Epiphany party will follow in Fellowship Hall.



Thank you to all

who participated in the Angel Tree and the Giving Party for Dogwood School, the My Village Child Development Center, and the gifts for the Christmas Day Dinner at Central United Methodist Church.

Thanks to your generosity, these children and adults will enjoy a Merry Christmas!



Additional Christmas Flowers

(Missed in the Flower Insert)

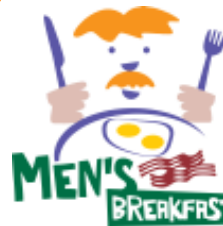
In Memory of:

Helen B. & George W. Smith

and

Alice & Alex Manson

Given by: Harry and Linda Manson



The Men's Breakfast

for January will be on the **SECOND** Saturday, January 9 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Mark your calendar now and stay tuned. We are working on an exciting speaker and will let you know as soon as we are able to confirm.



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