

**PRAYER CONCERNS - MEMBERS**

**Ralph Aurin** fell; he is recovering at home. He has also been diagnosed with Orthostatic Hypotension.  
**Jim Batch** is in room 568 of MMC with several health issues.  
**Dean Binnie** is back in the hospital, room 436 of MMC.  
**Dave Ellison** is having tests run.  
**Geneva Empfield** passed away on May 7th.  
**Janis Poulin** is recovering at home.  
**Thomas Qualls** is out of the hospital, recovering from surgery at home.  
**Mary Rhodes**, heart abnormality.  
**Nancy Stephenson's** granddaughter passed away recently.  
**Kay Terrell** is recovering from knee replacement surgery.  
**Kimberly Williams** was diagnosed with multiple myeloma.  
**Amy Yu** had outpatient surgery Friday, May 1.

**PRAYER CONCERNS - FAMILY AND FRIENDS**

**Bill Abanto**, Paula Shelton's uncle, passed away.  
**Carol Dunn**, mother of Maria Williams, broke her wrist, surgery was April 15th.  
**Revonda Hale**, friend of Becky Bullard, is out of the hospital and in the Rehab Center for continued physical therapy for her ankle.  
**Lisa Hollis**, Mitzi Griffin's sister, has Parkinsons, awaiting new medication trial.  
**Khari Hughes**, granddaughter of Barbara Spence, had a C-section on May 9. Her son, Nolyn Hughes, will be in the NICU for five weeks.  
**Charlie Jackson**, friend of Jim & Betsy Pease, has a large brain mass and is scheduled for surgery May 13.  
**Sarah Lieske**, niece of Tom & Barb Urbaniak, passed away on April 24th.  
**Patricia Long**, sister of Ollie Nolan, has upcoming reconstructive nasal surgery.  
**Bob Minch**, Betty Hitchcock's brother, moved from the hospital to Pruitt Health.  
**Dorothy Minch**, sister-in-law of Betty Hitchcock, broke her hip, in the hospital.  
**Wanda Murray**, friend of Sid & Pat Thurner, is in need of housing.  
**Gwendaline Parrish**, great granddaughter of Helen Harwell, health issues.  
**Andy Peryam**, the brother of John Peryam, has stage 4 lung cancer.  
**Lois Richardson**, mother of Wendy Hohman, passed away on April 27th.  
**Brenda Shelton** will have knee replacement surgery on May 12th.

**UPCOMING SERMONS**

**May 17, 2026**  
**Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
Children's Time: *Duncan Shelton*  
Sermon: *The Sign*  
Scripture: *1 Peter 3:13-22*

**Our Faithfulness**

**May 3:** Sunday School: 30  
Worship: 91  
Offering: \$3,507.17

**May 10:** Sunday School: 20  
Worship: 75  
Offering: \$4186

**THE SESSION**

<b>Class of 2026</b>	<b>Class of 2027</b>	<b>Class of 2028</b>
Pam Leckey	Margaret Harper	Mike Bradshaw
Thom Smith	Theresa McKenrick	Ann Gentry
Sidney Thurmer	Barry Shelton	Hal Hughes

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**May 11, 2026**

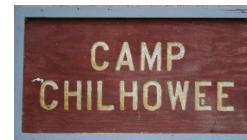
**BRING-A-FRIEND - MOVIE & GAME NIGHT**

**Saturday, May 16**  
We're excited to invite all kids to a fun-filled afternoon THIS Saturday, May 16 from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the church! Kids are encouraged to bring a friend and come enjoy a variety of activities including air hockey, ping pong, and board games.

We'll also have pizza for everyone and will be showing the new movie *DAVID*. We hope to see you there!



**CAMP CHILHOWEE WISH LIST**



We are collecting cans of soda, individually wrapped snack items and candy bars for the Canteen. Each camper gets 2 snack items and beverages per day (in addition to meals). Items are being collected by Ruth Circle and the Missions Committee. We cannot thank you enough for your generosity!

**MEMORIAL DAY CHAPLAINS FUND**

Military chaplains minister to members of the Armed Forces as well as to wives, husbands, children and parents who must wait and pray. The ministry of all federal chaplains is an extension of the outreach of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

The Presbyterian Federal Chaplaincies, a partner ministry of four denominations, provides support to federal chaplains and their families and has over 120 chaplains serving in the military and Veteran's Administration hospitals.

On **Sunday, May 24th**, we will honor these chaplains with an offering to show them our heartfelt appreciation for all they do for our Armed Forces, Veterans and their families.

## BIRTHDAYS

5/11 Paula Shelton  
5/17 Maria Shelton  
5/22 Helen Harwell  
5/25 Theresa McKenrick  
5/26 John Peryam  
5/27 Jackie Early



Mark your calendar for our church picnic on Sunday, May 24!

## FAMILY KITE FESTIVAL THANK YOU

Marketing & Communications Ministry would like to say thank you to everyone who helped to make the Family Kite Festival a tremendous success.

The weather was great with no rain Saturday with okay wind for flying. The children made, decorated and flew the kites they and their parents built together in the Family Kite Festival Kite Workshop.

The wind was not perfect but the children ran from one end of the front yard to the other all day long. We had a lot of families bring their own kites and as the day progressed the wind got better with the last two hours being the best. Every child that flew their kite received a Family Kite Festival Certificate Of Participation with their name in calligraphy to take home and put on their bedroom wall or refrigerator.

The Annual Family Kite Festival reached out and touched every preschool and elementary child and their families in Oak Ridge Elementary Schools, Anderson Elementary Schools, Clinton Elementary Schools, Morgan and Roane Counties Elementary Schools through the use of E-Mail and Flyers distributed in each school.

Marketing & Communications Ministry would like to give a special thank you to all the Kite Builders in the workshop and the Flight Instructors in the flying zone for their incredible skills and support. We could not have had this event without the hard work and dedication of everyone. Also, we would like to say thank you to Patricia Pace and Theresa McKenrick for their contacts and delivery of flyers to the county schools. And a big thank you to The Fellowship Ministry for fixing lunch for all that worked the event.

Marketing & Communications Ministry believes the Family Kite Festival was a successful outreach event and those who attended experienced the love of First Cumberland Presbyterian Church Of Oak Ridge church family and the love of Jesus Christ.

**May The Wind Always Be At Your Back And Your Kite Fly High In The Sky!**

## LIVE STREAM

We are now live streaming our worship services!  
Join us online anytime by visiting our YouTube channel:  
<https://www.youtube.com/@1stcumberlandpresbyterianc307/streams>

## CPWM UPCOMING EVENTS

**Spring Meeting & Brunch** this Saturday, May 16 at 10:30 a.m., in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited; bring your favorite brunch dish for a wonderful time of fellowship.

Therica from CAM Cabin Crafts will bring a wide variety of beautiful crafts to sell and possibly a few crafters. Please plan to eat, shop, fellowship and learn more about this wonderful organization. Invite your friends and neighbors!



If you have thread, buttons, yarn, etc. that you would like to donate, please bring them. Therica will get these items to crafters to help supplement their materials.



**Baby Shower** for Khari Hughes, Sunday, May 31 at 3:00 p.m. Khari is the granddaughter of Barbara Spence. She is having a boy and is registered at Amazon & Target.

## MINISTRY MEMBERSHIPS FOR 2026-2027

As we begin establishing Ministry Memberships for 2026–2027, we invite all members to prayerfully consider how they can serve our church family. Commitment to service is an important part of the Christian faith and is a response to the grace and love we have received from God. Through our ministries, we are able to care for one another, support the work of the church, and share Christ's love within our community.

We are truly blessed to have so many faithful members who generously give of their time, talents, and Spiritual Gifts to help our church thrive. If you are not currently serving on a ministry team, we encourage you to consider where your gifts and abilities could best serve the church. There is always room for more members to become involved, and every act of service helps strengthen our church family and ministry efforts.

If you would like to remain in your current ministry, join an additional ministry, move to another ministry, or become involved for the first time, please contact Pam Leckey, Barry Shelton, Mitzi Griffin, or our Church Secretary, Natalie. Thank you for your willingness to serve and for helping make our church a place we are proud to call home. We are deeply grateful for each person who shares their gifts in service to the Lord and our church family.

- Pam Leckey

## CHURCH STAFF

Pastor—*Rev. Dr. Larry Blakeburn*  
Treasurer—*Blake Shelton*  
Admin. Assistant—*Natalie Gibson*  
Music Director—*Amy Byrd*  
Pianist—*Kim Keck*  
Organist—*Barbara Spence*  
Accompanist—*Rachelle Hall*  
Facebook Administrator—*Harold Ketterer*  
Youth Leaders—*Duncan & Amelia Shelton*



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