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BRENTHAVEN CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A welcoming community of Christian disciples seeking to love and serve God and neighbor

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INQUIRING MINDS ABOUT BRENTHAVEN

Ever wondered about the history and/or doctrine of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church? Or maybe how Brenthaven came to be and what some of these folks do around here? Well, beginning **Sunday, January 22**, those adults with “inquiring minds” are invited to Brenthaven Church’s Inquirer’s Class. It will be held during Sunday School for 5 weeks. Pastors Kip and Sandra will lead the 5 weeks on Cumberland Presbyterian History and Doctrine, Brenthaven History and the small groups and ministries of Brenthaven. If you are interested in participating please RSVP by Friday, January 20th to pastor@brenthaven.org or call the church at (615) 373-4826.

2017 CHILI COOK-OFF - JANUARY 25

Attention all Chili Cooks! The Brenthaven Chili Cook-Off will be held **Wednesday, January 25 at 5:45 pm**. Bring on the heat, the taste, the best you have to offer, and see if you can beat the rest. Those planning to come and partake, please bring cornbread, tortilla or corn chips, shredded cheese, other toppings and/or dessert.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT SPECIAL

Wednesday Night Special will start on **Wednesday, February 8**. The children and youth have their age-related classes and adults have three exciting options from which to choose.



Linda Pulley and **Sandra Shepherd** will lead **Hymns and Hymnody**, a study focused on the meaning and origin of featured hymns as well as the role of hymns in worship. And, of course, there will be singing!



Ron Medlin will lead **Transcendence in Sports-Related Literature**. Serious sports literature illuminates the transcendent experiences that sports provide, experiences so meaningful that they either spoil and corrupt or transform and enlighten the athlete.



Angela Beaton will lead **I'd Rather Be Quilting**, a hands-on class. If you've ever wanted to try quilting, now's the time! The class is for beginners as well as those who want to beef up their skills.

VALENTINES FOR OUR COLLEGE KIDS

The time is nearing to show our college kids that they are loved and remembered back at their home church. We do that with shoe boxes filled with food, candy, gifts and more candy. It's a long standing tradition. The original kids who received the first Valentine Goody Boxes have kids of their own in college now. So here's how you can help.

Kids of the Kingdom will do their part in packing and making Valentine cards and crafts to fill the special boxes. (Some tasting of products will take place during packing!) Your help is needed in donating delicious candy, food and other items you think a college student might like. If you prefer, you can give monetarily to help cover needed items or postage. Please give your monetary donations to **Cheryl Morris** in the church office. Suggested food or gift items include: candy, gum, breakfast/health bars, cheese/peanut butter crackers, small packages of goldfish, cereal or mac & cheese to go, small packages of Kleenex, pencils/pens...even a pair of socks. Please place your items in the Valentine Collection Basket in the narthex near the church office. The boxes will be sent to arrive to our 19 church members away at college just before Valentine's Day. KOK Thanks YOU!

CALLING CONSIGNORS!

The **Brenthaven Consignment Sale** is **Thursday, February 16 - Saturday, February 18** for the public and a Pre-Sale, Wednesday, February 15 by invitation for consignors and volunteers.

We are accepting gently used spring and summer children's clothing through size 14/16. Please NO underwear. We are also accepting toys, DVD's, decorations, books, and sporting equipment and gear. We will accept maternity clothing as well as business attire for adults and prom dresses.

If you would like to consign items for the sale please sign up at

signupgenius.com/go/70a0f4fa9af22a64-consignor6

Sign up for one 15 minute slot for every 200 items you will be consigning. For any questions regarding items and for a complete list of items being accepted please go to

brenthavenconsignment.wordpress.com

If you would like to consign with us, and do not have a consignor number, please contact **Jonelle Summitt** and a number will be assigned to you or you may choose your own number.

Email Jonelle at

brenthavenconsignment@gmail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCENE

"But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.'" Matthew 14:27

If your child is in the *Workshop Rotation Sunday School Classes* the Bible story of Peter walking on water will be their study for January. Our theme this school year is *Tests of Faith*, and Peter and his fellow disciples certainly are tested when a storm strikes when they are out at sea in a boat fishing.

Our Key Concepts this month are:

- God calms the storms in our lives, sometimes by calming the storm, sometimes by calming us.
- Jesus teaches us how to live strong in our faith.
- Through faith, we can trust God to be with us in good times and bad.

Our workshops include art with **Rachel Campbell**; Fun & Games with **Becky Jones, Cheryl Morris** will handle the acting class plus a fun review game in the MousePad. Classes are for children currently in Kindergarten through 6th grade and are led by shepherds **Myra Agee, Suzanne Ghianni, and Dot Slagle**. We meet in the Children's Wing every Sunday morning beginning at 9:30 am

PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD

What is your prayer for the world? World peace? An end to global hunger? Protection from disasters? Maybe your prayer is more specific, related to a particular missionary or a precise geographic location. Maybe your prayer is more focused on home or personal concerns.

Whatever your prayer, you are invited to share it. Find a prayer tag under the PRAYERS display on the brick wall between the Fellowship Hall and the kitchen, write your prayer on it, and hang it on the ribbon. As you pray your own prayer, you might want to include the prayers that others have shared.

BOOKEND BOOKCLUB

The BookEnd Book Club will meet on **January 19, 9:30 am** in the Adult Library. This month's selection is *Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus* by Nabeel Qureski and Lee Strobel. A devout Muslim describes his dramatic journey from Islam to Christianity, complete with friendships, investigations, and supernatural dreams along the way. Engaging and thought provoking, it tells a powerful story of the clash between Islam and Christianity in one man's heart and of the peace he eventually found in Jesus. You are invited to read along and join in the discussion.



IMPORTANT YOUTH AND KOK DATES

Here are some dates to remember as you fill up those new 2017 calendars:

- Wednesday, **February 8**: Wednesday Night Special along with Youth and KOK meetings begin
- Sunday, **February 26**: Youth Sunday
- Sunday, **April 16**: Easter Service and Egg Hunt
- Sunday, **April 23**: Children's Sunday
- Sunday, **May 7**: High School Graduate Recognition
- Sunday, **June 11-15**: Vacation Bible School
(Volunteer now with Ms. Cheryl!)
- Friday-Saturday, **July 7-8**: Children's Fest at Bethel University

RECENT GUESTS

Gary & Anna Smith

PRAYER CONCERNS



Recent Additions

Ben Davis, Chris Henry, Hardy Moyers,
Jimmy Carson (*friend of Miah Faircloth*),
Dawn Rush Dotson (*sister of Pastor Kip*),
Josh Franklin (*son of Rev. Curtis Franklin*),
Ayden Orr (*friend of Ollie, Baird and Miah Faircloth*)

Homebound

Forrest King

Members

Hester Allen, Andy Blake, Ed Bryan, Jackie Bryan, Evelyn Davenport, Mickey Davis, Marilyn Ewen, Barbara Gentry, Em Ghianni, Madge Graves, Paul Graves, Tommy Hennesy, Tammy Lake, Jacob Malloy, Joe Marshall, Jean Overstreet, Larry Pulley, Janiece Redmon, Peggy Rushing, Beverly St. John, Guy Sneed, Cheryl Tabor

Family and Friends

Jim & Christine Alford (*co-workers of Diana Williard*), Carney Allen (*father of Greg T. Allen*), Charles Douglas Ballard (*cousin of Joan Bledsoe*), Dorothy Black (*grandmother of Megan Gregali*), Charles Bloom (*friend of Barry Campbell*), Jacob Boling (*nephew of Ann White*), Michelle Burke (*daughter of Joyce Burch*), Peggy Byrd, Betty Collins (*friend of Rose O'Hara*), Sue Cook (*mother of Lisa Cook*), Allan Deckret (*friend of Brenthaven*), Glen DeWitt (*father of Suzanne Ghianni*), Charles Dial (*brother of Billy Dial*), Rob Dollar (*friend of Tim Ghianni*), Mallory Dowden (*great niece of Jane Dowden*), Kathy Dozier (*daughter-in-law of Bob Dozier*), Pinks Dudley (*mother of Sandra Shepherd*), Bill Garrett (*son of Beverly Garrett Shaw*), Frank Gillespie (*step-father of Russ Deaton*), Tommy Graves (*son of Paul & Madge Graves*), Wendy Graves (*granddaughter of Paul & Madge Graves*), Joe Hearn (*father of Jodi Rush*), Deborah Irwin (*friend of Jonelle Summitt*), Mary & Don Johnson (*friends of Jane Dowden*), Judy Jones (*friend of Scott Felts*), Lori Lindley (*friend of Mike & Julie Murphy*), Shirley Malborough (*grandmother of Angie Johnson*), Larry Mitchell (*uncle of Jodi Rush*), Ben Osburn (*former member*), Lea Palmer (*mother-in-law of Penni Reitmeyer*), RheAnn White Peacock, Judith Plucker (*friend of Nanette Ricker and Shali Scott*), Martha Pulley (*mother of Larry Pulley*), Reggie Reed (*husband of co-worker of Lori Wooten*), Troy Rhone (*nephew of Sandra Shepherd*), Mary Scott (*mother of Frank Scott*), Pat Simpson (*mother of Sheryl Day*), Ellie Taliaferro (*young friend of the Crowe Family*), Debby Turner (*sister of Cheryl Tabor*), Cleo Underwood (*sister of Barbara Loyall*), Kelly Wallace (*daughter of Fred & Carol Ford*), Robert Williams (*brother of Linda Pulley*), Barbara Woodward (*mother of Sandra Moyers*), Billie Lou Wooten (*sister of Brenda Medlin*), Judith Wright (*grandmother of Carolyn Hallquist*), those serving our country

Deaths

Family of Raymond Barton (*grandfather of Linda Lipe*)
Family of Charlotte Nicholson Frey (*friend of Myra Agee*)
Family of Rev. Boyce Wallace (*CP missionary to Colombia, S.A.*)

MEMORIALS

In Memory of John Ferguson

Larry & Jan Davidson
Larry & Linda Pulley

In Memory of Paul Holland

Ed & Jackie Bryan
Larry & Jan Davidson
Ron & Brenda Medlin
Wylene Nix
Guy & Loretta Sneed

FAITH IN 3D

Youth ROCKS will be traveling Thursday night, January 13 to join with other Cumberland Presbyterian youth from across the country and locally for Faith in 3D. This youth conference is being held at Disney World in Orlando, FL Friday, January 13 through Monday, January 16. Please keep our youth and leaders in your prayers.

THANK YOU

Brenthaven Congregation,

We want to take this time to thank you so much for your generous outpouring of love this Christmas Season. We ask God to richly bless you as you have blessed us. May we continue to serve you in a manner that glorifies our Lord.

Your Brenthaven Church Staff

PULL TABS

Continue to save your pull tab from your beverage or soup can for Ronald McDonald House Charities of Nashville. By simply saving this tiny pull tab, you can help raise thousands of dollars to support the families of seriously ill or injured children receiving medical treatment at Nashville area hospitals. Please bring your pull tabs to the church office place them in the container. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE

Sunday, January 8, 2017

Sunday School 86 Worship 146

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SUNDAY SCHOOL : 9:30 A.M.
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:45 A.M.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jan 15 9:30 am** Sunday School
10:45 am Worship
3:45 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
5:00 pm Children's Choir 3rd - 6th grade
5:00 pm ESPN (*Wild Wing Café*)
6:00 pm Children's Choir K - 2nd grade
- Jan 16 10:00 am** Young @ Heart
 Return of Faith in 3D
- Jan 18 7:00 pm** Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
- Jan 18 - 20** Minister's Conference in Memphis
- Jan 19 9:30 am** BookEnd BookClub
11:00 am Knitting/Creative Craft Ministry
- Jan 20 6:00 pm** Safe Haven
- Jan 22 9:30 am** Sunday School
10:45 am Worship
3:45 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
5:00 pm Children's Choir 3rd - 6th grade
5:00 pm Youth ROCKS
5:00 pm ESPN (*Wild Wing Café*)
6:00 pm Children's Choir K - 2nd grade

SERVING WEEK OF JANUARY 15

- Acolytes:* Michael Beaton, James Scott
Lector: Jay McCulley
Greeters: Barbara Loyall, Janiece Redmon
Nursery: Rebecca Dandrea (*Sunday School*)
 Joan Bledsoe (*Worship*)
Ushers: Ron White, Greg Allen, Otis Allen,
 Jane Dowden, John Edwards, Charlie Floyd,
 Frank Scott, Lori Wooten
- Wee Worship:* Melinda Fleming,
 Ty Allen, Jenny Wooten
- Narrative Lectionary Readings for*
Sunday, January 15 (green)
 Luke 4:14-30; Psalm 146 or Psalm 146:7b-8

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR JANUARY 8**OPERATING & DEBT
RETIREMENT BUDGET**

Received this week	11,979.00
Weekly Need	10,772.37
Received for Budget Year-to-Date	19,261.00
Need Year-to-Date	21,544.74
	(2,283.74)
Monthly Principal & Interest Payment	10,000.00
Mortgage Principal Balance	569,681.50

STAFF & LEADERSHIP

Kip J. Rush, Pastor
Sandra Shepherd, Associate Pastor of Christian Discipleship
Cheryl Morris, Children's Ministry
Corey Wright, Youth Ministry
Linda Pulley, Director of Music
Amity Marsh, Organist
Penni Reitmeyer, Office Administrator

Session - The Elders

<i>Class of 2017</i>	<i>Class of 2018</i>	<i>Class of 2019</i>
Suzanne Ghianni	Barry Campbell	Russ Deaton
Jill Weisz Keller	Bill Dobbins	Chris Fleming
Rhonda Mossbarger	Jennie Ford	Renee McCulley
Christi Peppers	Julie Murphy	Julie Travis