



Habitat for Humanity

Unity has committed to provide workers and food for the next home being built by Habitat for Humanity of York County. The home will be built in Clover. Our work day will be Saturday, September 6. We should be working on the outside and inside of the house, and workers of all skill levels, age 16 and older, are needed. Please call the church office or contact Steve Hardy at 547-2042 or via email at stevehardy59@yahoo.com to sign up.

Church Picnic September 7, 4-8 pm

Join us at Bethelwoods for this fun annual event. Fun for all includes swimming, hayrides, hiking, games, and old-fashioned fellowship. Please bring: your own lawn chair or blanket, one (1) can of food for the Fort Mill Care Center, and \$1.00. Come and go as you wish. Dinner will be served around 6 pm. Please let us know you will be there by using the yellow reservation cards in the pews, call the church office (803) 547-5543, or make a reservation on Unity's website, www.unityfortmill.org.

Unity Preschool "Apple Tree"

Sponsored by Presbyterian Women

What is Unity Preschool? Unity Preschool is a weekday extension of the Christian education ministry at Unity. This year 36 children, ages 2, 3 and 4, will participate in our Christ-centered program.

What is the Apple Tree? The apple tree is located in the Fellowship Hall and is made up of a variety of items that the preschool is in need of this year. The donations we receive help make our small budget go a long way. While Unity Preschool is a tuition-based program, we strive to keep our tuition rates low in order to make the Christian preschool experience available to many families. We are so thankful for Presbyterian Women's sponsorship again this year!

How can I help? Please take a card off the apple tree for the item(s) you are interested in purchasing and return it to one of the collection boxes in the fellowship hall or church office anytime through **September 14**. Please contact Lynn Ringley at 547-5543 or via email at lhingley@unityfortmill.org if you have any questions.

IHN Golf for Good

The annual IHN Golf for Good Tournament, hosted by Oakland Avenue Presbyterian Church, will be held on Saturday, September 20 from 1:00-6:00 pm at Pinetuck Golf Course. The tournament will be a Captain's Choice with a shot-gun start. The registration fee is \$60 for an individual or \$200 for a foursome. The fee covers the green fees, cart, and snacks. We are also seeking hole sponsors. Please let Jennifer Coye at the York County IHN office (803.329.2456) know if your business is willing to sponsor a hole. The sponsorship costs are \$100 a hole or \$275 for a hole and a foursome. Registration forms are available in the church office or on our web site. All of the proceeds from participants and hole sponsors will go directly to the IHN operating budget. Join us as we golf for a great cause!

New and Returning College Students

The Presbyterian Women would like Unity's college students' addresses, email addresses, college, and anticipated year of graduation, so that the PW can send care packages this fall. If you would like your child to receive a care package from PW, please visit Unity's website at www.unityfortmill.org to sign up or contact Linda Bunge at 547-9898. This information needs to be received by September 15.

United in Christ's love, we glorify God through worship, nurture, and service to all people.

Sunday, August 31

8:45 am Worship Service

10:00 am Fifth Sunday Breakfast

NO Sunday School

Join us for a light breakfast and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall. We hope to see you there.

11:00 am Worship Service

Children in Worship

Children in Worship will begin September 7 for children who are entering 4 year old preschool (must be 4 by September 1), Kindergarten and First Grade. Please note upcoming important dates:

- Sunday, September 7:
CIW Parent Orientation during both services in Room 102.
- CIW will begin with Children on Sunday, September 7.

What is Children in Worship?

After the Children's Sermon during both worship services, children from the ages of preK(4) through 1st grade are invited to participate in this very special worship experience. Children are taught Bible stories, using interactive props to act out Bible stories related to the Bible lessons. This worship experience allows young children to learn about the importance of worship and prepares them to worship appropriately in church.

Nursery Pagers

There are a few pagers missing from the Nursery. We are sure this is an accidental oversight by busy parents and grandparents. Please take a moment to check diaper bags and purses pagers. If found, please drop them off in the Nursery, *no questions asked*.

**DISASTER
PREPAREDNESS TEAM**

Are you interested in joining Unity's Disaster Preparedness Team? The ministry of disaster preparation, mitigation and response is an active and ongoing program of our denomination. We are starting a new and exciting team at Unity in conjunction with other churches in our Presbytery. If you are curious about what we will be doing from a congregational point of view, we invite you to join us. Contact Sharon Cole at 548-2038 or via email at leeandsharon@comporium.net

**Children's Music
Opportunities**

We had a great turnout for Children's Choir kickoff on Sunday, August 24. Our next meeting will be on Sept. 14. Children's Choirs are for children age 4 (by Sept. 1) through 6th grade. If you did NOT get a registration packet in the mail, please call the church office and ask for Patsy or Gina and one will be mailed to you. We are looking forward to a great choir year!

Good news! A newly formed youth handbell group, called the *Canterbury Bells*, will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 17. This group will be for youth who are in the 5th through 8th grades. Rehearsals will be on Wednesdays, from 5:20 to 6:00 pm in the Handbell Room. Previous music training is not a requirement, but commitment to weekly rehearsals is a must. If you are interested, please call Patsy at the church 547-5543 or at home, 328-2349 as soon as possible. Ringing positions are on a first come, first serve basis.

Dimes for Hunger

"If you love me, feed my sheep"
John 21:15-17

We are asked to help feed God's sheep through contributions to the *Dimes For Hunger* campaign. Unity's campaign runs from September 7 to October 5. Donations will help feed the hungry in our area. Stay tuned for more information next week!

T-Shirts

Unity t-shirts that were ordered during the Capital Campaign are now in! These include white or grey (both youth and adult) as well as youth sizes in light blue. Please plan to pick your shirts up at the church as soon as possible. All orders have been bagged and labeled by family name and are located in the 4th Grade Sunday School room on the main floor near the administrative offices. If your label shows you have a balance due, please leave cash or a check payable to UPC with Megan Watson. All orders will be available for pick up **until Sunday, September 21**. Any orders not picked up by that time will be refunded (if money was pre-paid) and made available to other church members for purchase. We have a limited number of additional shirts available for purchase in all three colors and in both youth and adult sizes. Remember, all earnings will go back to the Capital Campaign as a donation from our youth groups, so please support their efforts! Contact Megan Watson at mgwatson@unityfortmill.org if you would like buy one/more.

Presbyterian Women Update

All women of Unity are invited to join Presbyterian Women (PW) in its work, worship and fellowship. PW meets monthly in Circles and maintains ongoing activities such as Bible Study, devotions, celebration giving, and special ministries to the congregation and the community. Our Circles are a way to assure members of love and support as they seek to serve in and beyond the church. The following five Circles meet either the first Monday or Tuesday of each month beginning this September through May:

Circle Name	Meeting Time	Meeting Day & Location	Circle Chairs
Love & Friendship*	3:45 pm	Monday – FH Parlor	Terri Turner & Marion Woodson
Tony Dehler	7:00 pm	Monday – FH Parlor	Linda Hollandsworth & Dannie Vaughn
YANSY**	10:00 am	Tuesday – Room 210	Regina Bryson
Mary and Martha***	10:00 am	Tuesday –Member's Homes	June Barnett & Liz Vierstra
Circle of Friends	7:00 pm	Tuesday – FH Parlor	Miranda Hopkins

* Love & Friendship will have their first meeting on Monday, September 8.

** YANSY will have their first meeting on Tuesday, September 9 *at a new time of 10:00 am*.

*** Mary and Martha will have their first meeting on Tuesday, September 2 at the home of Vera Reid, 1947 Old Nation Road, Fort Mill.

We hope that you will consider joining a Circle this year. If you have any questions about PW or are interested in joining a Circle, please contact Brenda Mullis at 547-6056 or via email at brenmullis@yahoo.com or Lois Edwards at 548-0526 or via email at r_edwards@comporium.net.

**Congregational Dinner
Wednesday, September 10 at 6:00 pm
Fellowship Hall**

Menu: Salisbury steak, creamed potatoes, green beans, field peas, rolls, cookies & brownies, iced tea & lemonade

Cost: \$5.00 for adults
\$3.00 for children under 10
\$20.00 max. per family unit

Join us for dinner and fellowship!

Please make reservations by completing a yellow pew card and placing it in the offering plate, using www.unityfortmill.org, or by calling the church office by noon on Monday, September 8.

Adult Bible Study

All adults are invited to consider a Wednesday morning Bible study. Beginning on Wednesday, August 27, through Wednesday, May 20, this Bible study group will meet from 9:30 am to 10:30 am in Room 210. The group will study the Gospel of Matthew and selected Psalms.

Sunday Morning Service August 31, 2008

Nursery Coordinator: Lynn Ringley

8:45 am
 Infants Donna Diedrich
 2's & 3's Earl Williams
 11:00 am
 Infants Tricia Oakes and Kristain McCabe
 2's & 3's Layne Fisher

Greeters

8:45 am Ken Bickett
 11:00 am Bill Reigel

Ushers

8:45 am Brenda Marshall, Jimmy Rea, Sandy Rea,
 Patrick White, Harper White
 11:00 am Tracy Young, Jeff Shouse, Steve Turner,
 Betty Carter, Phillip Carter, Bill Reigel, Ron Ringley

Welcome Center

8:45 am James Bunge
 11:00 am John Welker

Happy Birthday!



Sept.	9	Eric Fricke, Janet Gaither, Ally McBroom, Earl Pettit, Rachel Scott
	10	Jennifer Bowman, Sherry Camenisch, Butch Cowart, Gloria Honeycutt, Paul Thompson
	11	Pam Kay, Cindy Keenum
	12	Kristen Domanski, Chris Griffin, Sammy Pecarro, Tracy Sullivan
	13	Shawn Coleman, Caroline Ficklen, Chip Wilbanks
	14	Bob Croucher, Kelly Hawkins, Georgia Sharpless
	15	Lisa Cowart

Newsletter Publication

Deadline: Sunday, Aug. 31 at 6 pm
for Issue Date: Thurs., Sept. 4
 Submit information to:
 Brynne Fisher via email at:
brynne@yourcardsolution.com.

Note the next deadline:
Deadline: Sun. Sept. 7 at 6 pm
for Issue date: Sept. 11

Attendance & Offering August 24, 2008

8:45 am:	179
11:00 am:	246
Unity Hall:	12
Total Worship Attendance:	437
Sunday School:	145
Regular Offering:	\$13,352.38
Building Fund:	\$7,347.00

Unity has no debt as of October 10, 2007.

Extended Nursing Care

Ethel Clarke — Alterra Sterling House, Rock Hill
 Anne Elliott — Laurel Crest, West Columbia
 Dot Hill — Westminster, Rock Hill
 Pug & Dot Hollis — Presbyterian Communities of SC- Clinton
 Alice Horten — Presbyterian Communities of SC- Clinton
 Sis Moredock — Presbyterian Communities of SC- Summerville
 Trudie Robertson — Presbyterian Communities of SC- Clinton

Prayers of Concern

- Cindy Fritz
- Ruth McCrary and family in the death of her husband, Tim McCrary
- John and Jean McManus and family in the death of her sister
- Gene Wilson

Please continue to remember those with special needs.

Building Fund Memorial

<u>In Memory of:</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
Ruth Alexander	Stormy & Chari Young
Floride N. Blackmon	Presbyterian Women
Jean Royal	Presbyterian Women Tony Dehler Circle Danny & Dorothy Gambrell Tommy & Kathy Wilson
Lou Henry	Presbyterian Women
Caroline Olinger	Presbyterian Women
Bascom D. Cranshaw, III	Presbyterian Women

Building Fund Memorial

<u>In Memory of:</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
Allison Thurow	Presbyterian Women
Bill Mullis	Presbyterian Women
Jim Horton	Danny & Dorothy Gambrell Stormy & Chari Young
Tim Hawkins	Vicki, Kelly & Lindsey Hawkins

Building Fund Honorarium

<u>In Honor of:</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
Cady Phillips Shive	Stormy & Chari Young

Prayers of Joy

We rejoice with Jenna and Andrew Shive in the birth of their daughter, *Cady Phillips Shive*. Proud grandmother is Susan Bates, and aunts & uncles are RJ and Denise Bates, and Lauren and Eric Cole.

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Member address label

Return Service Requested

August 28, 2008

Dear Friends,

For many people, Christian vocation only has to do with those called to full-time Christian service. It has to do with clergy and others who work full-time in the church. Biblically, however, vocation is an issue for each disciple of Christ. It has to do with our calling from God, and relates to the gifts we've been given, as well as our context in life. We'll be thinking about Christian vocation this Sunday as we share Labor Day weekend together, and I look forward to thinking about that with you.



Rev. Dr. Dan Holloway

Also on Sunday, we will have a 5th Sunday breakfast at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great chance to share a light breakfast and visit with others in your church family. Please note there will be no Sunday School this Sunday so we can all share this time of fellowship. I hope to see you there.

I am very much looking forward to Unity's Annual Church Picnic on Sunday, September 7, which is highlighted on Page 1 of this newsletter. We will have barbecue, hayrides, games, swimming, and more! I hope you will make plans to come. Please note the various ways to let us know that you will attend this always fun event—call the church office, complete a yellow reservation card found in the pews, or visit the website at www.unityfortmill.org to reserve on-line.

Finally, I want to thank all those whose hard work made our ice cream social a huge success. The Fellowship Hall was literally jammed with people, and the ice cream was delicious as always. Well done, everyone!

In Christ's Service,
Dan