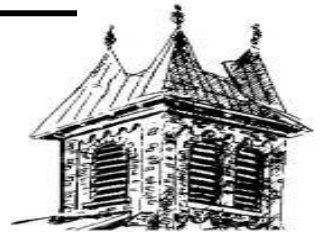


# Unity News

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

## Children's Choir Robes

Do you know how to sew or iron? If so, we need you to help make children's choir robes. We plan to make them in an "assembly line" manner, possibly gathering in one location for a "sewing fest" and/or taking the work to our individual homes. Our target completion date is Palm Sunday, March 16. For more information or to volunteer, please call Ann Neel at 803-548-5449 or email her at [Ann\\_Neel@Belk.com](mailto:Ann_Neel@Belk.com). If you can't sew but still want to help, please contact Patsy Black about contributing money for the materials. Thank you for your stewardship!

## First Place

Would you like to begin the New Year healthier and thinner? First Place classes, a Christian weight-loss program, are being offered at First Baptist Church in Fort Mill and Unity members are invited to attend. Sunday evening classes begin on Jan. 6 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Please contact Marion Woodson at 547-5229 or email [mwoodson@comporium.net](mailto:mwoodson@comporium.net) as soon as possible for further details.

## Congregational Dinner

**Wednesday, January 9, 2008 at 6 pm  
Fellowship Hall**

Menu: Salisbury Steak	Cost: \$5.00 for adults
Creamed Potatoes	\$3.00 for children under 10
Steamed Broccoli	\$20.00 max. per family unit
Field Peas	
Rolls	
Variety of Pies	
Iced Tea & Lemonade	

***Join us for food and fellowship!***

Please make reservations by completing a yellow pew card and placing it in the offering plate, using the on-line registration form at [www.unityfortmill.org](http://www.unityfortmill.org), or by calling the church office by noon on Monday, January 7, 2008.



***We wish you all the best in 2008!***

***From the Unity Presbyterian Church staff***

## Sunday Mornings

8:45 am	Worship Service
9:55 am	Church School for all ages
11:00 am	Worship Service

## Prayer Shawl Team

Join us for the next Prayer Shawl Ministry meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 2008, at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall Parlor. Previous experience is NOT required. This is a wonderful time of fun, fellowship, and doing for others.

## Peanut Butter and Jelly

Sunday, January 6, 2008, is *Peanut Butter and Jelly Sunday* for the Fort Mill Care Center, sponsored by the YANSY Circle. Everyone is encouraged to bring a jar of peanut butter and/or jelly to the collection boxes in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall.

## Men's Breakfast

Unity's Men are invited to a once a month time of home-cooked breakfast, fellowship, and devotion. The next gathering will be on Tuesday, January 8, 2008, at 8 am in the Fellowship Hall. We had a great crowd the last two months, and we would love to see even more this month! Join us!

**And now the service begins  
... or continues**

With memories of Advent and Christmas, and with hopes and dreams for the New Year, it is time for our church to continue its generous giving to those in need. Each January and July, Unity collects donations for the RAIN Closet.

RAIN is the Regional AIDS Inter-faith Network, and the Closet contains items necessary for daily living provided to individuals living with HIV and/or AIDS.

Bins are available in the Narthex and in the Fellowship Hall for collection of items such as bleach, body soap, deodorant, dish detergent, household cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, paper towels, razor/shaving cream, shampoo, toilet paper, and toothbrush/toothpaste. Thank you for your continued generosity as well as your ongoing prayers for Unity's RAIN teams and partners.

**Dear Unity family,**

We cannot thank you enough for the cards, prayers, and emotional support during my sister's illness. Though we are grateful to God that Becky's illness lingered no longer, we ask for your continued prayers as we move through the grieving process. Thank you for your continued re-definition of 'family'. God bless you and keep you.

*Susan, Jessi, Caitlin, and Rob Bullard*

**Newsletter Publication**

Next Issue: Thursday, Jan. 10, 2008  
**Deadline: Sunday, Jan. 6, 6 pm**  
 Submit information to: Brynne Fisher via email at:  
**brynne@yourcardsolution.com.**

**Summer Mission**

Unity members will join a group from Grace Presbyterian Church on a trip to Honduras July 17-26, 2008. The group will be constructing new concrete block homes for the community of Nuevo San Isidro, in the western part of Honduras. An informational meeting will be held at Unity on January 8, 2008 in Room 312 at 7 pm. If you have questions before the meeting, please contact Joyce Sullivan at 547-6561 or by email at [jsullivan@comporium.net](mailto:jsullivan@comporium.net)

**Dancing with the Stars!**

We are looking for female dancers, age kindergarten and older (including adults) to perform a praise dance at our Mother\*Daughter\*Sister\*Friend Luncheon on Sunday, March 9, 2008. Jill Luzzi, a ballet, pointe and lyrical dance instructor from *Just Dancin'* studio in Rock Hill will lead this dance group. We anticipate three one-hour practices on Sunday afternoons in January/February. Please contact Marion Woodson 547-5229 if you are interested or email [mwoodson@comporium.net](mailto:mwoodson@comporium.net).

**Save the Date—March 9, 2008**

Please plan to join us as we “Celebrate the Gifts of Women” at our 14<sup>th</sup> annual Mother\*Daughter\*Sister\*Friend luncheon on Sunday, March 9, following the 11:00 am service. More details will be available in early 2008. We hope you will join us!

**Building Fund Honorariums**

**Music Fund Honorariums**

<u>In Honor of:</u>	<u>Given By:</u>	<u>In Honor of:</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
Dot Hill	Mike and Cheryl Hill & family	Patsy Black	Paige and Peyton Mistler

**Building Fund Memorials**

**Christian Education Fund Memorials**

<u>In Memory of:</u>	<u>Given By:</u>	<u>In Memory of:</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
Joan Hill	Mike and Cheryl Hill & family	Kathrine Paige Morris	Mike and Cheryl Hill & family
Sarah Derrick Pedersen	Sis Moredock		

Nancy Kimbrell Davis  
 Sis Moredock  
 Jimmy and Aggie Jones

Becky Parsons Ray and Emma Doughty  
 Kurt Wissing Sis Moredock  
 Ken Stokes Mike and Kim Mistler  
 Christy Little Mike and Kim Mistler  
 Buddy Moredock Bo and Susan Palmer  
 Joan Hill Bo and Susan Palmer  
 Bill Fowler Bo and Susan Palmer

**Youth Fund Memorials**

<u>In Memory of:</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
Nancy Kimbrell Davis	Stormi and Chari Young
Yanna Grant	Stormi and Chari Young
Jim Shannon	Stormi and Chari Young
Betty Bennett	Stormi and Chari Young
Bubba Case	Stormi and Chari Young
Louis Dowis	Stormi and Chari Young
Bruce Rush	Stormi and Chari Young

## Sunday Morning Service January 6, 2008

### Nursery

*Nursery Coordinator:* Linda Bunge  
 8:45 am Infants Michelle Batchelor  
           2's & 3's Stephanie Nix  
 11:00 am Infants Reid Lancaster, Kristain McCabe  
           2's & 3's Shawn Coleman

### Children in Worship

8:45 am 4's Michelle Kuhn, Katharyne Tedford  
           5's & 6's Tammie Welch, Kristain McCabe  
 11:00 am 4's Ginny Munson, Ashley Groot  
           5's & 6's Brynne Fisher, Layne Fisher,  
                   Shawn Coleman

### Greeters

8:45 am  
 11:00 am

Murray White  
 Sharon Cole

### Ushers

8:45 am

Steve Turner, Roger Nelson,  
 Jan Nelson, Gene Roper,  
 Marilyn Wilbanks  
 Mary Sue McGrath, Brenda Marshall,  
 Philip McNair, Ellen Bright,  
 Pam Bright, Patrick Bright,  
 Katie Bright

11:00 am

### Welcome Center

8:45 am  
 11:00 am

Sissy Martin  
 David Bowman

## *Happy Birthday!*

January	10 Carol Heim, Tim Whitten
	11 Susan Bullard, Terri Reid, Ed Sidwell, Matthew Walser
	12 Bill Bradford
	13 Jeanne Engle, Camron McGrath, Florence Wilson
	14 Mason Fox, Jennifer Petagna, Mills Reigel
	15 Mackenzie Bocholis, Carrie Cowart, Connor Crutchfield, Logan Tisdale
	16 Terri Marshall, Katherine Mattice, Gray McGinn
	17 Gary Honeycutt, Shannon Ross
	18 Anne Banks, Mike Brown, Dickie Havnaer, Miriam McCrae, Bob Van Dyke, Emily Weeks
	19 Jane Gowin, Billie Price
	20 Louesta Henry, Sara Belle Scott



### **Prayers of Concern**

- Amy Benson
- Don Thomas
- Jacquelyn Wolfe's father

*Please continue to remember  
those with special needs.*

### **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  
 Harry Miller — Westminster,  
Rock Hill  
 Sis Moredock — Presbyterian  
Communities of SC- Summerville  
 Trudie Robertson — Presbyterian  
Communities of SC- Clinton

### **Attendance & Offering December 23, 2007**

8:45 am:	176
11:00 am:	300
Unity Hall:	24
Total Worship Attendance:	500
Sunday School:	190
Regular Offering:	\$18,320.10
Building Fund:	\$20,585.08

### **Christmas Eve Attendance December 24, 2007**

4:00 pm:	340
6:00 pm:	328
11:00 pm:	150
Total Worship Attendance:	818

*Unity has no debt as of October 10.*

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[www.unityfortmill.org](http://www.unityfortmill.org)

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## January 3, 2008

*Dear Friends,*

*"Behold, I make all things new."*

The New Year is traditionally a time to make resolutions and to chart a new course. Even a quick review of scripture reminds us that God is in the business of doing new things as well. From the story of creation in Genesis 1 to the promises of a new heaven and a new earth in the closing chapters of Revelation, the word of scripture is always a word of newness and hope.



*Rev. Dr. Dan Holloway*

God will do many new things in your life and mine in 2008. I pray we'll all have the faith to see God's new work in our lives both individually, and as a congregation, in the year to come. Just as importantly, I hope we won't be afraid to step out in faith as God leads us in new ways. As Abraham and Sarah did so many years ago, so do we head for the new future God has prepared for us.

*In Christ's Service,*  
*Dan*

### Worship

#### January 6, 2008

Jeannie's Sermon:

*"Home By Another Way"*

Old Testament Lesson:

Isaiah 60: 1-6

New Testament Lesson:

Matthew 2: 1-12