



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

Dimes for Hunger 2007

"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 9 to October 7 (approximately 30 days). We will collect our contributions Sunday, October 7 during both services. We ask you to put aside a DIME per MEAL per FAMILY MEMBER per DAY. This will amount to approximately \$9.00 per person. Your contribution is very important to God's children, or sheep, so to speak. Donations received will be divided between underprivileged countries and local community agencies in York, Lancaster, Union, Chester, and Kershaw counties. We invite you to look at the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall (the one with sheep on it) and see the many local agencies and countries *Dimes For Hunger* supports. You will be hearing more about the many ways these DIMES work to FEED GOD'S SHEEP. Stay tuned!! If you did not receive your special *Dimes for Hunger* stickers, they are available in the church office. These color stickers are to be placed on a jar or can to collect your *Dimes for Hunger*.

Sunday Mornings

8:45 am	Worship Service
10:00 am	Sunday School for all ages
11:00 am	Worship Service

Calling All Rising 4th, 5th & 6th Graders!!!!

Like to have a little fun? Interested in learning more about the Bible? Enjoy spending time with church friends? Then GC's is for you! Growing Christians youth group (otherwise referred to as GCs) is getting ready to start back up! Our first meeting will be held on Sunday, September 16, from 5:15-6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendars and plan to attend as we kick off the new year. Come dressed comfortably in old clothes that you don't mind getting a little dirty, as you never know what we will have planned. Questions? Contact Debbie McNair @ 396-8924 or Tammie Welch at 547-3201. We look forward to seeing old and new friends!

Lunch Bunch

Monday, September 24 at 12 noon

The Lunch Bunch is a fellowship group for adults who are free at midday. We meet at noon on the **fourth Monday of each month** for lunch, fellowship and interesting programs. Our first meeting for 2007-2008 will be on **Monday, September 24 at 12 noon**. Bring your own sandwich. Chips, drinks, and cookies will be provided. Our program for September is "Skin Growth: the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly!" Our guests speaker is Rebecca L. Smith, MD, a local dermatologist. Please join us!

Children's Choirs

The first rehearsal for **Children's Choirs** will be on Sunday, September 16. *The Cherub Choir* is for children ages 4 through 1st grade, and meets on Sundays from 5:15 pm to 6:00 pm in Room 206. *The Junior Choir*, for 2nd through 6th grade singers, meets each Sunday from 4:30 pm to 5:15 pm in the Choir Room, which is located in the hall behind the Sanctuary. Both choirs sing periodically for worship services, and provide music for the Christmas Joy Service in December. Parents will need to fill out a registration card by the first rehearsal, if possible, and you may do so at www.unityfortmill.org, contact Patsy Black at (803) 547-5543 or at the first rehearsal.

Playgroup

Unity Playgroup will kick off our new year Friday, September 28th at 10 am at Harris Street Park. We hope you will join us as we visit with old friends and meet new ones. Feel free to bring a friend along! Please contact Lynn Ringley at 547-5543 or hringley@comporium.net with any questions. If it is raining or the playground is wet, we will meet at the church.

Healthy Unity

Unity Bike Ride

Saturday, Sept. 15 at 8 am

Join us for some healthy fun! Meet at the church.

CPR and AED

Saturday, September 22, 9am to noon

Knowing CPR can save a life. Attend this class to learn CPR and how to use the simple AED pack. If needed for emergency, the AED unit is found in Unity Hall, below the Sanctuary. It is in a white metal case which is mounted on the wall between the kitchen and bulletin board. If opened for emergency use, ignore the anti-theft alarm which can later be turned off with a key found in the kitchen. A nursery will be provided upon request. Cost: \$20 per person. Sign up at www.unityfortmill.org or by calling church office (803) 547-5543.

Stressed???

Are you dealing with stress? Then plan to attend a Stress Management Workshop, presented by Hospice, on Sunday, September 30, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up at www.unityfortmill.org or by calling the church office at (803) 547-5543.

Blood Pressure Screening

Sunday, September 30

Stop by the Fellowship Hall Parlor during the 5th Sunday Breakfast for a free blood pressure screening.

Looking for Sunday School SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Wishing you could teach, but you can't commit to a whole year? We need YOU! The CE Team is putting together a list of substitute teachers for all ages of Sunday School. If you are interested in being on this list, please contact Megan Watson at church (803) 547-5543, via email mgwatson@comporium.net, or on the website at www.unityfortmill.org.

Pine Needle Sale

Saturday, September 29

Unity's Junior and Senior High Youth Groups are selling and delivering pine needles to support youth mission work. Order pine needles via www.unityfortmill.org or call the church office at 547-5543 by September 23. Thank you for your support!

Unity Preschool

Unity Preschool is looking for loving individuals who are interested in working with our program or serving as a substitute teacher/assistant. The preschool is open on M, T, & TH mornings from 9 am to 12 noon. Please contact Lynn Ringley at 547-5543 or via email at lhringley@comporium.net.

You are needed

The Children in Worship program is getting ready to begin again and YOU are needed. Storytellers are needed for both the 8:45 am and 11:00 am services. Please contact Megan Watson at (803) 547-5543 or mgwatson@comporium.net with interest or questions. This is a very important program that helps prepare 4-6 year olds for worship, and your participation will make a difference for Unity's young children.

PW Retreat Information

All ladies participating this weekend should please note the following: If you plan to take part in "Faithbooking" during free time, please take one or two snapshots with you to Montreat.

Unity Preschool "Apple Tree" Sponsored by Presbyterian Women

What is Unity Preschool? Unity Preschool is an extension of the ministry at Unity. This year, 24 children will participate in one of our 2 or 3 day programs. We feel very blessed to be able to provide children the special opportunity of attending preschool in a loving, nurturing Christian environment. With Christ at the center of what we do, we encourage many opportunities for children to grow socially, emotionally, physically, and spiritually.

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. 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 self-funded, and do not receive funding through the church budget. New programs endure many costs in the first few years as we purchase classroom items, playground equipment, curriculum, etc. We are so thankful for Presbyterian Women's sponsorship this year, and all donated items that help make our program a success!

How can I help? Items that we are in need of are listed on cards behind each apple. Please take the card for any items you would be interested in donating. All purchased items can be returned to one of the collection boxes in the fellowship hall, narthex, or church office anytime through September 16. Please contact Lynn Ringley at 547-5543 or lhringley@comporium.net if you have any questions. Please keep Unity Preschool, its teachers, its students and their families in your prayers this year.

Habitat for Humanity: *A Hand Up – Not a Hand Out*

You may be surprised that one of the biggest challenges for York County Habitat for Humanity is finding qualified families to accept a new home. While homes are built with volunteer labor, Habitat does not give away homes. The recipient must pay an interest-free mortgage covering the cost of the land and materials used. It typically costs about \$60,000 to build a house worth \$100,000. *To qualify for a York County Habitat home, a person must: live or work in York County; have a need for safe, decent housing; have the ability to pay the mortgage; be willing to partner with Habitat with "Sweat Equity" in the form of attending classes and working on your house.* Need can be demonstrated if you have problems with your current home, live in an unsafe neighborhood, are renting, or have housing costs more than 30% of your income. Your ability to pay is determined by your income and credit history. Required income depends on family size. For example, a family of four should have a yearly gross income between approximately \$20,000 and \$42,000. You should have an adequate credit history or one that can be repaired by paying off debts. Willingness to partner requires completing 12 classes to learn about budgeting, home repair, and other ownership issues. You must help build your house. Total hours of "sweat equity" are 200 hours for each adult and 25 hours for each child age 8-18. If you qualify, you will receive a new home worth about \$100,000. In return, you are obligated to pay an interest-free mortgage of about \$60,000, a monthly payment between \$350 - \$400, depending on taxes and insurance. To find out more, attend an information session at 10:00 am on Saturday, Sept. 15 at the York County Library, 138 East Black Street, Rock Hill. Contact Penny Sheppard, 803 328-1728, to register. Visit the Habitat web site at www.yorkcountyhabitat.org (see link on Unity's web site).

Building Fund Memorial

In Memory of:

Given By:

Joan Hill

Toni Rush

Building Fund Honorarium

In Honor of:

Given By:

Men's Ministry

Anita Green

Sunday Morning Service September 16, 2007

Nursery

8:45 am Infants
2's & 3's
11:00 am Infants
2's & 3's

Nursery Coordinator: Lynn Ringley
Becca Bowyer and Alexa Spratt
Harper White
Sara Windham and Jan Nelson
Brenda Mullis

Ushers

8:45 am
11:00 am

Jeff Hall, Keith Griffin, Freda Garver,
John Garver, Toni Rush
Barry Wells, Lisa Swinford,
Steve Turner, Earl Pettit, Bob Martin,
Carson Martin, Joe Swinford

Greeters

8:45 am
11:00 am

Harper White
Joe Swinford and Doris Ussery

Welcome Center

8:45 am
11:00 am

Brenda Marshall
Marcia Hardy

Faith Presbyterian Church Launch

The launch date for Faith Presbyterian Church, our Presbytery's new church development in the Indian Land area of Lancaster County, has been set. Faith's first worship service will be on World Communion Sunday, October 7, 2007 at 10:00 am, at the Indian Land Recreation Center. They are praying for a very large crowd to celebrate this event and to build momentum and energy. All are invited to this very special first service. Even after this first service, October will be their "launch month," and they hope to have waves of worshippers from area churches. Faith is not looking to recruit members from other churches. Rather, they are seeking our help and participation to make this an energetic, momentum-building beginning. For directions or more details on Faith, please visit their website, www.faithpresusa.org.

As Faith prepares for this October 7 service, there are many opportunities for service to this new congregation. Unity is serving as Faith's first worship "partner", which means we have the opportunity to assist in all aspects of Faith's first service. Temporary volunteer service includes: Church Liaison; Worship/Nursery Space Creator; Advertising Assistant; "Set-up" Point Person; Nursery Coordinator; Sound engineer; Tithes and offerings coordinator; set up/break down crew; refreshment coordinators; outside greeters; offering collectors; inside greeters; nursery helpers. Contact Dannie Vaughn at (803) 547-4456 if you would like to help or if you would like more information. Please also visit Unity's website www.unityfortmill.org for more detailed service information.

Happy Birthday!

Sept.	24	Valerie Pettit, Cathy Weaver
	25	Joy Norton, Bill Vierstra
	26	Jimmy Jones
	27	Joe Hathway, Lisa Swinford, Stuart Swinford
	28	Catherine Bowman
	29	Ron Culp, Bailey Masters, Philip McNair
	30	Cheryl Dammann, Ashley Epps, Jules Fox, David Rossman

Prayers of Concern

Brad Kay; Esther Withers

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

Newsletter Publication Back to WEEKLY!!!

Next Issue: Thursday, Sept. 20
Deadline: Sunday, Sept. 16, 6 pm
Submit information for the newsletter to:
**B r y n n e F i s h e r a t
brynn@yourcardsolution.com.**
Volunteers are needed to help prepare the newsletter for mailing on Wednesdays. Contact Gina Mitchell in the church office at 547-5543 if interested.

Attendance & Offering September 9, 2007

8:45 am:	143
11:00 am:	201
Unity Hall:	23
Total Worship Attendance:	390
Sunday School:	240
Regular Offering:	\$12,754.00
Debt Reduction:	\$1,782.00
Building Debt:	\$39,150.65
Property Debt:	\$114,822.84

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Return Service Requested

September 13, 2007

Worship

September 16, 2007

Old Testament Reading:
Psalm 14

New Testament Reading:
Luke 15: 1-10

Dan's Sermon:
"Lost and Found"

Text:
*"And when he comes home,
he calls together his friends and
neighbors, saying to them 'Rejoice
with me, for I have found my sheep
that was lost.'"*

Dear Friends,

These are exciting times in the life of our church. I watched in amazement and joy as more than 40 children came down for the children's time at the 11:00 am service this past Sunday. There were 20 more at the 8:45 am service. It's hard to imagine that a former pastor of our church once instructed the elders to begin praying for children so that our church would not die. Surely that prayer has been answered!



Rev. Dr. Dan Holloway

This coming weekend, more than 50 of our women will be participating in the Women's Retreat at Montreat Camp and Conference Center. This is always a great time of fellowship and spiritual growth, and many of our women look forward to it all year long. Another benefit for us here at home is that seating will be easier than usual to find in our sanctuary this Sunday. If you're in town, come join us here for worship.

Finally, I hope you'll make a point of hearing the Building Committee's presentation on the proposed new sanctuary and related space over the next few weeks. In addition to the presentation this past Wednesday at the congregational dinner, there will also be presentations on October 10 at 6:30 pm and October 14 at 10 am. We want you to be fully informed as we consider this historic decision in the life of our church.

In Christ's Service,

Dan