

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW
to
REACH UP, REACH IN, REACH OUT
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REACHING UP: WORSHIP IN JUNE

“Are You Kidding?”

Jesus states that unless you become like a child you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. In this series, we'll look at Jesus' parables through the eyes of children, discovering a surprising wisdom in them that adults frequently miss...until they become like children.

“Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me...” – Matthew 18:1-9

06.03 “Become Like a Child” *What does it mean for an adult to become like a child?*
Matthew 18:1-9

06.10 “Be Nice?” *Finding that becoming like a child has something to do with power and powerless.*
Matthew 18:15-35

06.17 “Thank You and Please?” *Finding that becoming like a child has something to do with gratitude and ingratitude.*
Matthew 20:1-1

06.24 “Play Fair?” *Is this fair? How might a child advise us?*
Matthew 22:1-14

REACHING OUT OPPORTUNITIES

- *Food Sunday
- *Serve at Community Table
- *Helping Hands
- *August Kids Project
- *Holly Berry Fair

REACHING IN OPPORTUNITIES:

- *Regional Assembly
- *Craig Springs Camp
- *Sunday School
- * Christian Women's Fellowship
- * Vacation Bible School June 25-29



WHAT'S ON WENDY'S MIND?

Our Vision and Mission Statement begins, "As we strive to be a transforming, 21st century, Disciples of Christ congregation, gifted and empowered by the Holy Spirit to be a faithful witness in our congregation, community and beyond, we believe God calls us: To be a spiritually vibrant congregation intentionally, committed to the discernment of God's will, growth, and understanding of what it means to be a disciple, and serving God by serving others. "

TRANSFORMING, 21st CENTURY—we are getting there, but we are really in both centuries—20th and 21st. It is like we have one leg on each side of a bridge. We have made great strides since our conception and ministry together, however, some of us have become complacent and disenchanted. At the same time we continue to have new friends join us in ministry. There continues to be a joyful spirit when we reach up, reach in, and reach out together. I recently had a member of the church say she had never been a member of a growing church before. And while she was happy about it, she wasn't quite sure how to deal with it. This really got me to thinking what a challenge it is to balance the needs of the church members who are already established, how to reach out and include new disciples, as well as reach out in service to the community and world.

What will it take to get us completely on the 21st century side of the bridge and be the church God has called us to be?

-- Keep praying. Keep seeking God's will for our church in your prayers.

--Don't resist change. The only constant in this world is change and we absolutely have to

change the way we do things as a church to keep up with the needs of our community and world.

--Be Bold. Be willing to think and act outside the box for how to do ministry, be willing to take on new challenges and ministries and let old ones go when it is necessary.

--Don't turn inward, keep the focus on making disciples as we nurture and grow the disciples we have.

--Know that we do not do ministry alone! We have each other and we have the Holy Spirit.

--Trust the Holy Spirit to guide us.

We are truly at a crossroad, will we continue to transform or will we stagnate? Will we keep one foot in the 20th century and one in the 21st century or will we be 21st century all the way? Will we take personal responsibility for our part in being the Body of Christ or will we just let others take care of it until the others are all burned out? At this point, it is up to you. We have a great thing going, God has great plans for us but they require that we ALL continue to do our part and be willing to do what God wants us to do.

My prayer is that God will continue to use us to transform lives through Unity Christian Church, and if that means that I personally need to change my leadership style and what it is that I do as the pastor, God help me to do so. What is your prayer?

Faithfully and Lovingly,

Wendy

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

C.W.F. CIRCLE MEETINGS

Circle Meetings: June

- ❖ OASIS (Lila): **June 19th** (place and time TBD)
- ❖ YAH (Ruth): **June 6th** Meet at UCC at 1:00;
Travel to O'Charleys
- ❖ M&M's (Janet B.): **June 5th** 7:00 at
Anne Chrisman's home
- ❖ C.W.F. Meeting: Tuesday, **June 12th**
at **6:00** in Parlor (NOTE TIME CHANGE)

BABY SHOWER

The CWF is hosting a baby GIRL shower for Nicole & Carlton Altizer on Tuesday, June 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The couple is registered at Target & Walmart. Join us as we celebrate this exciting time with them and their families!

HYGIENE KITS

Thanks to **ALL** who participated with this mission! With the help of UCC's Youth Groups, we packed up 52 kits to send to Church World Service to go out in times of crisis and need. Thanks to Nancy Martin for taking the kits to Regional Assemble. **UCC ROCKS!!!**

HELPING HANDS

WATCHING OVER OUR FLOCK

We have had great success with our newest Reach Out program at UCC. Recently we reattached gutters and a downspout, put in flowers beds, and trimmed bushes for a few folks. If you need help around your home with small projects such as yard work, house cleaning, need a ride to the doctor, etc., sign up at the Welcome Center bulletin board. Please help us keep this very important program going. Contact Dottie Wheeler at 540-239-8222 or Ronnie Wheeler at 540-838-2047 to request the Helping Hands Team. No project is too small!

AUGUST KIDS PROJECT

Sponsored by The Clothing Bank to purchase new clothes for children in need before the start of school. The August Kids Project allows each child to receive a voucher of \$75 to shop at Walmart. The CWF is donating \$375 to help 5 children. Please consider making a donation (in any amount) to this worthy cause on June 17th & 24th. **Make check payable to CWF** and we will submit all together from Unity.

CRAIG SPRINGS CAMPERS

The CWF is contributing \$50 per UCC camper for summer camps this year to help families with this expense at a total of \$500 assisting 10 campers.

HOLLY BERRY FAIR 2018

The CWF will again have Holly Berry Fair Saturday Dec. 1, 2018. We ask as you start your spring/summer cleaning to remember this worthy cause. The items that we can take are gently used items and new items as well, kitchen supplies, art work, Christmas decorations and handmade items, such as pot holders, hand towels, blankets, afghans, any wood working items. We will again have baskets for men, women, children. Items to consider for the baskets are bath soaps (like Bath & Body Works), colognes, perfume, small flashlights, small tools, team caps and hats, small toys for boys and girls, coloring books and crayons. We will also have a bake sale. More about that closer to fair time, but we also take home made can goods. If you do home canning please think of the women's group. Thanks to all who have supported this Out Reach that the CWF sponsors each year. The money made helps the CWF with our outreach programs we support in our own community.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Summer is just around the corner. What are your kids doing? Bring them to Vacation Bible School June 25-29 to be "Shipwrecked". Get ready for adventure as your kids explore being shipwrecked on an uncharted island and being rescued by Jesus. VBS activities will take place June 25th - 28th with a VBS Program and Beach Party on June 29th. Invite your friends to come along. Preregister June 3rd & 10th.

MUSTARD SEED

SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM

Do you have or know a child in 1st - 5th grade. If you do, sign them up to be a part of the UCC summer youth program, Mustard Seed. Starting June 6th, every Wednesday, 6:45p.m. - 8:15p.m. Contact Carrie Pascoe for more information and to register at 540-577-4787 or carriepascoe13@gmail.com.

CRAIG SPRINGS CAMP 2018

Register now for camp. Remember the church pays a portion of the registration. Camp packets are available at the Welcome Center. If you are interested in participating, you may go to the regional website (www.craigsprings.com) for more information or contact Wendy. (See the list of camps and dates on the next page)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CAMP</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
June 25-29	Nature Camp** (Dead March 1 st)	\$335
July 1-6	Special Camp	\$335
July 8-13	First Triple	\$387
July 16-21	AMPDD	\$387
July 22-27	Second Triple	\$387
July 29-August 3	New Covenant	\$387
August 3-6	Family Retreat	\$100/adult \$75 under 18 \$25/ <5

2018 UCC SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Come out and support our UCC Softball Team this season. See the schedule below for dates and times.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>FIELD</u>
Tues. June 5	7:30 p.m.	2
Tues. June 12	6:30 p.m.	1
Thurs. June 14	6:30 & 7:30 p.m.	2
Tues. June 19	8:30 p.m.	1
Thurs. June 21	6:30 p.m.	2
Tues. June 26	8:30 p.m.	1
Tues. July 10	7:30 p.m.	1
Thurs. July 12	7:30 p.m.	1

COMMUNITY TABLE

Community Table is our Outreach Ministry here at UCC that serves home cooked meals every Saturday, 4-5:00p.m., in the fellowship hall, while providing a place for fellowship with others. We are hoping to add more teams to our Community Table Ministry. What does a Team Leader do? Form a team of 7-10 people committed to serving a Saturday meal 4 times a year. Then coordinate a meal plan with the help of your Steering Team representative (7-10 days prior to serving), notify your team members of the dates, have your team arrive by 1:00pm on your scheduled Saturday. On your serving day you will organize your team members' responsibilities, cook your meal, Feed God's Sheep from 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., then clean and lock up. There are easy to follow step by step instructions for you in the kitchen. In order to continue the ministry we need **4 new teams**. This is a wonderful opportunity to Reach Out and serve a great need in our community.

If you are interested in becoming a Community Table Team Leader or serving on a team contact Sally Davis, Sandy Pascoe, or Wendy Wilson. A Team Leader job description and full list of duties can be emailed for you to review. Just contact the church office at unity2012@verizon.net.

C.T. MEALS SERVED THIS MONTH:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>Seconds</u>	<u>Takeout's</u>
April 28	14	17	3	8	45
May 5	10	16	3	18	21
May 12	Info.	Not	Recorded	-	-
May 19	14	14	2	14	41

Thank You

✚ Dear Unity Family,

Thanks for the cards, calls, and flowers during my recent surgery. I appreciate Wendy coming to the hospital and setting with Darryl.

You are all very special to me and my family.

Love in Christ,
Lisa Altizer

Congratulations

- ❖ Congratulations to Ed and Brenda Jervey. They were married on May 11, 2018.
- ❖ Congratulations to Jason Batten & Laura Harris who will be married on June 9, 2018.

Sympathies

Deepest sympathies and prayers to those who have recently lost a loved one, including:

- Nancy Dalton for the passing of her son-in-law, Jimmy Collins.
- Lauren Young for the passing of her grandmother, Susan Young.

JUNE SERVING SCHEDULE

ACOLYTES

06.03 Caroline Pappas
06.10 Emily Phillips
06.17 Erika Akers
06.24 Erin Wilson

COMMUNITY TABLE

06.02 Steering Team
06.09 Phillips Team
06.16 Christ Church
06.23 Wilson Team

WORSHIP LEADER

06.03 Josh Talbert
06.10 Francis Hunter
06.17 Erin Wilson
06.24 Sonny Dodson

WELCOME CENTER

06.03 Lori Whitt
06.10 Sharon Dodson
06.17 Denise Walker
06.24 Sally Davis

COMMUNION PREPARATION

06.03 Sid & Barbara Johnson / Nancy Dalton
06.10 Betty Jones / JoAnna Fox / Katie Lemmon
06.17 Grady DeVilbiss
06.24 Frances Dalton / Becky Moore

CHILDREN WORSHIP & WONDER

06.03 "The Leaven"
06.10 "The Great Pearl"
06.17 "The Sower"
06.24 "The Good Samaritan"

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Phyllis Shumate	1
Alicia Sutherland	1
Caroline Pappas	2
Alban Shumate	2
Betty Wilson	3
John DeVilbiss	6
Kaylei Mosier	7
Curtis Lewis	10
Marie Jackson	12
Harper Faith Talbert	14
Matthew Turk	14
Chance Morris	16
Julie Akers	19
Cheryl Hinkley	20
Brie Chrisman	21
Courtney Mena	21
Evan Doud	23
Ruth Hinkley	23
Treena Stike	29

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Preston & Brie Chrisman	4
Tommy & Betty Wilson	5
Michael & Pamela Runnals	8
Sonny & Sharon Dodson	16
Alicia & Jeff Sutherland	18
James & Kelly Weaver	18
Sid & Barbara Johnson	19

ATTENDANCE

Sunday School:

Worship:

April 29	19	April 29	114
May 6	25	May 6	118
May 13	20	May 13	92
May 20	25	May 20	112

JUNE BIBLE READING

Date	Morning	Evening
	John	2 Chronicles
1	12:27-50	15, 16
2	13:1-20	17, 18
3	13:21-38	19, 20
4	14	21, 22
5	15	23, 24
6	16	25, 26, 27
7	17	28, 29
8	18:1-18	30, 31
9	18:19-40	32, 33
10	19:1-22	34, 35, 36
		Ezra
11	19:23-42	1, 2
12	20	3, 4, 5
13	21	6, 7, 8
	Acts	
14	1	9, 10
		Nehemiah
15	2:1-21	1, 2, 3
16	2:22-47	4, 5, 6
17	3	7, 8, 9
18	4:1-22	10, 11
19	4:23-37	12, 13
		Esther
20	5:1-21	1, 2
21	5:22-42	3, 4, 5
22	6	6, 7, 8
23	7:1-21	9, 10
		Job
24	7:22-43	1, 2
25	7:44-60	3, 4
26	8:1-25	5, 6, 7
27	8:26-40	8, 9, 10
28	9:1-21	11, 12, 13
29	9:22-43	14, 15, 16
30	10:1-23	17, 18, 19

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