

UNITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

We're doing the best we can.
This is often something said with mild exasperation, or as an excuse or explanation of why something isn't working. But I think that it can, and should be, a phrase we use with pride and hope. When used in this way I think it is a phrase that applies very well to Unity.

We're doing the best we can.
We're doing the best we can to be a community that cares for one another. We have lots of different opinions, experiences, needs, wants and hopes. But we keep trying to love each other, care for each other, listen to each other, and trust each other. There may be times that those differences make things harder, but as long as we keep doing the best we can this community is strong.

We're doing the best we can.
We're doing the best we can when it comes to helping the least of these. Is there more that still needs to be done right here in our community? Sure. But we are finding ways to feed far more people than most would think a church of our size has any ability to. We continue to find partnerships to keep this work going.

We continue to seek new opportunities to serve, grow our outreach programs, and support those who are doing good both here and around the world.

We're doing the best we can.
We're doing the best we can at living into and sharing God's love, joy, hope, and peace. Each Sunday and throughout the week we remember these qualities of communities which are rooted in God. We celebrate our children, sing happy birthday to our members, check in on each other, study scripture, give and receive help, make beautiful music, and shine the light of God.

In God's country doing the best we can is all that is ever asked of us. We don't have to do everything. We don't have to be our own idea of perfection. We don't have to be right about everything all the time. Instead, we learn to live faithfully, knowing that we don't do our best without hope that there is something more. Doing our best, and trusting that God is at work as well, is the way that we show that we truly believe in the love, the hope, the goodness of God. And that is what I see week in and week out here at Unity.

Pastor Ben



Bible Readings for October

1. Amos 4-6
2. Amos 7-9
3. Obadiah-Jonah
4. Micah 1-4
5. Micah 5-7
6. Nahum
7. Habakuk
8. Zephaniah
9. Haggai
10. Zechariah 1-5
11. Zechariah 6-10
12. Zechariah 11-14
13. Malachi 1-4
14. Matthew 1-4
15. Matthew 5-7
16. Matthew 8-11
17. Matthew 12-15
18. Matthew 16-19
19. Matthew 10-22
20. Matt. 23-25
21. Matthew 26-28
22. Mark 1-3
23. Mark 4-6
24. Mark 7-10
25. Mark 11-13
26. Mark 14-16
27. Luke 1-3
28. Luke 4-6
29. Luke 7-9
30. Luke 10-13
31. Luke 14-17



Pictured: Cindy Stump, Sally Davis, Missie Foster
Not pictured: R. Wayne Calhoun

Thank you!
TANNER RODGERS
Colton Garner-Rollins
thank you!
Payton Dobbins
Thank You
Rory Hollins
Thank You!
Luciano
Pugliese!
Thank you!
Reece Honaker
thanks so much
William DzHart
Coach Wade
Esther Bannor
Thank you!!!
Ben Spaulding
Thank you!
Josh Smith
Thank you!
Trishden
Mottex

Dear Unity Christian Church,

Thank you so much for the support you gave to the team in providing this week's meal! It is people like you that make Radford such a special place. We appreciate you so much!

With gratitude,

The RHS Football Team

Thank You!
Nick Christ

Group Spotlight: God and My Girlfriends

God and My Girlfriends is a small group of women who meet to grow in faith, encourage one another, and build meaningful friendships centered on Christ. God and My Girlfriends is a place where we pray together, share our struggles, celebrate victories, and experience God's love through community.

We meet because Scripture reminds us that we were never meant to walk our faith journey alone. God calls us to encourage one another, pray for one another, bear one another's burdens, and regularly gather in Christian fellowship as we grow in Christ.

Together we:

- Connect and build genuine friendships.
- Hold each other accountable in our walk with Christ.
- Share vulnerably in a safe and loving environment.
- Encourage and speak truth into each other's lives.
- Worship and grow spiritually together.
- Experience God's love through prayer, support, and fellowship.
- Share confidences knowing that what happens at God and My Girlfriends, stays at God and My Girlfriends.



We meet because Christian community is vital. Through faith, friendship, and fellowship, we grow closer to God and become stronger women of Christ together.

Please feel free to join God and My Girlfriends every Monday evening (except the first week of each month due to Circle meetings) from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. One of our cherished traditions, though never an obligation, is bringing a dish to share as we enjoy fellowship, encouragement, and spiritual growth together.



10/3 Community Table
4-4:30pm

10/4 Worship 11am -
World Communion
Sunday

10/5 Brown Bag Bible
Study 12-1pm at UCC

10/6 Oasis Circle
10:30am; M&M's Circle
6pm; CWF 7pm

10/10 Community
Table 4-4:30pm Grove
Team

10/11 Worship 11am

10/12 Brown Bag Bible
Study 12-1pm at UCC

10/12 God and My
Girlfriends 6:30-8pm

10/17 Community Table
4-4:30pm VaTech Team

10/18 Worship 11am

10/19 Brown Bag Bible
Study 12-1pm at UCC

10/19 God and My
Girlfriends 6:30-8pm

10/24 Community
Table 4-4:30pm FCC
Pulaski Team

10/25 Worship 11am

10/26 Brown Bag Bible
Study 12-1pm at UCC

10/26 God and My
Girlfriends 6:30-8pm

10/28 Lunch Bunch 12
noon at Sal's JR

10/31 Community Table
4-4:30pm Kiwanis
Team



Scott and Jeanne Thayer's Summer Vacation

"Canada was the first stop on our vacation. We love Tobermory, Ontario, a beautiful town on Georgian Bay. We hiked in Lake Superior Provincial Park before heading south to Michigan where we toured several lighthouses on Lake Michigan and Lake Huron."



Barry and Becky Moore spent several days this summer in Charleston, SC visiting their great niece and nephew. They had a wonderful time catching up and even celebrated a birthday while they were there!





OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/1 Nick Gill	10/15 Wendy Wilson
10/2 Gary Davis	10/16 Dennis Hunter
10/3 Sid Johnson	10/16 Jackie Lemmon
10/3 Emily Griffiths	10/24 Amanda Talbert
10/5 Haven Barrow	10/25 Wyatt Gill
10/6 Haley Cran	10/26 Delaney Akers
10/8 Preston Chrisman	10/27 Scotty Whitt
10/8 Barbara Johnson	10/29 Cheri Torrence
10/9 Gina Rhea	10/30 Beth Johnson
10/12 Delilah	10/31 Scott Akers
McConnell	10/31 Natasha Pappas
10/13 Boyer Gill	10/31 Kylee Talbert
10/14 R. Wayne	10/31 KC Cole
Calhoun, Sr.	



Happy Anniversary

Gary and Sally Davis
Josh and Amanda Talbert
Scotty and Lori Whitt



Christian Women's Fellowship

CALLING ALL WOMEN

You are invited to join our CWF (Christians Women's Fellowship)! Open to all women, we meet the first Tuesday of the month at the church. Oasis is at 10:30 and M&M's at 6:00! There is a study time, followed by sharing joys and concerns within our group, with an abundance of laughter and sometimes tears. We are active, energetic and (& a bit crazy). Feel free to reach out to Pam Vicars-Runnals or Gina Rhea for more information.

HOLLYBERRY FAIR: Saturday, December 5th from 9:00 – 1:00.

- Pricing is underway. Please reach out to Charlotte or Janet B. if you can help
- Baskets: we need baskets & items for men & women for the baskets
- Need: gently used and new household or gift items, handmade items, jewelry, and CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY items. Please, NO clothing.
- Teresa Kesling is heading up the Holly Jolly Lunch Team so plan on joining us for lunch that day (Hot Dogs, chips & drink)
- Deadline to bring in items: Sunday, October 25th

SOCK IT TO ME SUNDAY'S: The CWF will be collecting socks for ALL AGES (children, women & men) to donate to The Clothing Bank. This is one of the most requested items in the fall, yet the supply is limited. There will be a cart to drop off your donations on October 18th & 25th.

CIRCLE & CWF MEETINGS: Tuesday, October 6th :

- OASIS (Gina): 10:30 at UCC
- M&M's (Betty): 6:00 at UCC
- CWF: Following M&M meeting.

On October 6th and November 3rd, the 6pm meeting will be followed by going downstairs to work on sorting and pricing for the December 5th Hollyberry Fair.

Stay in Touch

Worship on Sundays at 11am



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*Reach Up, Reach In,
Reach Out*

Serving in October

Elders

Janice Cheverton, Jackie Lemmon

Deacons

4th - Dwayne Dickerson, Jesse Shepherd,
Maria Shepherd, Treena Stike

11th - Gary Davis, Cody Evans Anna
Goodall, Katie Lemmon

18th - Dwayne Dickerson, Anna Goodall,
Katie Lemmon, Treena Stike

25th - Gary Davis, Cody Evans, Jesse
Shepherd, Maria Shepherd

October Worship

October 4th - World Communion Sunday

"A Table Prepared"
Matthew 22:1-14
Psalm 23

October 11th

"Not Our Own"
Matthew 21:33-46
Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9

October 18th

"Nothing But The Real Thing"
Matthew 22:15-22
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

October 25th

"Number 1"
Matthew 22:34-46
Psalm 1