



In my senior year of high school I captained our football team to a winless season. We went 0-8 and really could only claim to have had a chance to win in 2 of those games. In my first year of varsity football we went undefeated and won the state championship. It would be easy to look back on my football career as a complete nose dive, and in terms of wins and losses it was.

For me personally, though, it was a huge learning experience and surprisingly freeing. I had worked as hard as I knew how, and many of my teammates had done the same. In between my junior and senior seasons I had put on nearly 40 pounds of muscle. I saw a work ethic in the team that made me hope for a winning season even though we had lost over half of our starters from a year before. What was so freeing was learning that the hard work was worth it even if the results we had hoped for didn't come.

AUGUST KIDS:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the August Kids drive to provide funds for children in the City of Radford to purchase new school clothes and shoes. We were able to contribute a total of \$1473 this year!
UCC rocks!

In our own lives of faith it can be tempting to become outcome driven. We can become so focused on what we think should happen that we only believe success is what we think of it. Faith frees us to live doing what we know is right, being and doing who and what we are called to be and do, and trusting God with the outcome. When we live knowing that God is at work in ways that are bigger than us, we live with the freedom and abundance that God has offered us as a gift.

May we all live together in the freedom that God has given us,

Pastor Ben



Upcoming...

7/4 Community Table 4-4:30pm Cheverton Team
7/5 Worship 11am
7/5-10 Triple 1 Camp
7/6 Brown Bag Bible Study 12-1pm at UCC
(Matthew 13:1-9, Ephesians 3:14-21)
7/11 Community Table 4-4:30pm St. Jude Team
7/12 Worship 11am
7/12-16 New Covenant Camp
7/13 Brown Bag Bible Study 12-1pm at UCC
(Matthew 13:24-30)
7/18 Community Table 4-4:30pm Lemmon Team
7/19 Worship 11am
7/19-24 Triple 2 Camp
7/20 Brown Bag Bible Study 12-1pm at UCC
(Matthew 13:31-33)
7/22 Lunch Bunch 12 noon at Sal's JR
7/24-26 Family Camp



Our friends at **Nineveh** have invited anyone and everyone to join them for their Independence Day Celebration and the Radford Fireworks display taking place on July 3rd beginning at 7:30! They will have food, drinks, games, and a campfire for fun for the whole family, and one of the best views of the fireworks. All are welcome at 201 Harvey Street!

Church Members:

New Concerns:

Ken Bratton, Sharon Dodson, Ruth Hinkley, Betty Jones, Joe Marshall, Sandy Pascoe, Alban and Phyllis Shumate, Brittney Stike, David and Angela Thompson, Ronnie Wheeler

Long-Term: Frances Carter, Johnny and K.C. Cole, Alice Gallimore, Glenn and Karen Johnson, Jessica Jonas, Tenny Jones, Max Mottesheard, Richard Sandoe, Aubrey Scaletta and family, Danielle Shelton, Phyllis and Alban Shumate, Keith Whitt

Community Friends: Hope Aidam, Teddy Altizer, Pamela Bartle, Matt Byrd, Becki and Addy Calfee, Douglas Chapman, Carly Sandoe Cole and family in Dubai, Lucy Coleman, Mike Crews, Kem Darden, Lt. Ken Forbes and all military in the Middle East, Catherine Fox, Jerry Gill, Phillis Grubb, Toby Hedge, Ricky Jackson, Rosemary Kesling, Jeff Lovvorn, Jeff McConnell, Dori Meginle, Joey Murphy, Renie Price, Wayne Queen, Harold Rhodes, **Family of John Shelton**, Kay Snider, Mary Ann Tate, Pam Thomas, **Family of Kate Vicars-Soloway**, Amanda and Alex Wilkens and family

Shut-ins:

Delilah McConnell - Commonwealth, Christiansburg
Betty Wilson - Kroontje Health Care Center
Doyle Barton - Kroontje Health Care Center
Annie Akers - Heritage Hall

If you need specific prayer, send an email to:
prayers@unitychristianchurchradford.org

CRAIG SPRINGS CAMPERS

The following children will attend Camp at Craig Springs. Unity has a tradition of sending cards of encouragement to our campers. Please observe these guidelines if you plan to send a message:

- Put cards in mail no later than July 2nd for Triple 1, July 9th for New Covenant, and July 15th for Triple 2 addressed to each camper.
- Write the name of the camp in the lower left hand corner of the envelope.

Triple 1 campers are Wyatt Gill and Bryant Baker. New Covenant campers are Addisyn Altizer, Oliver Moore, Harper Talbert, Kylee Talbert, Delaney Akers, Kennedy Davis, Emma Montgomery, Avery Weaver, and Charlotte Weaver. Triple 2 camper is Mackenzie Akers. In addition, Sally Davis will be leading crafts.

Here is the address:

Craig Springs Camp & Conference Center
30 Craig Springs Circle
New Castle, VA 24127

WORSHIP JULY 5

Announcements/Greeting

Children's Blessing

Music Meditation "Die Anmut (La Grace)"

Angela Thompson, JC Hamilton

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Through the power of Christ's resurrection and victory over death

People: We have received the inheritance of God's grace

Leader: And by that great grace we live

People: Free from the powers of fear and death!

***Opening Hymn** no. 720 (all)

"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

***Opening Prayer**

Special Music "Ashokan Farewell"

Angela Thompson, JC Hamilton

Scripture **1 Peter 1:3-9**

Good News "Life Is Good"

*denotes standing, if able

Prayer for the People/Lord's Prayer

Moment of Gratitude

VBS Videos

Prayer for Offering

Invitation to Communion

Serving in Worship this Sunday

Rev. Ben Moore

Elder: Amanda Talbert, Lisa Altizer

Media: Nicole Altizer

Worship Leader: Kelly Evans

Deacons: Dwayne Dickerson, Daniel Scaletta,

Anna Goodall, Treena Stike

Music: Angela Thompson, JC Hamilton

Accompanist: Angela Thompson

Communion Hymn no. 422 (all)

"Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

Prayer for Bread and Cup

Words of Institution

Share in Communion

Prayer After Communion

Invitation to Discipleship

***Hymn of Invitation** no. 722(all)

"This Is My Song"

***Closing Prayer**

***Going Forth** "Weave" no. 495

Weave, weave, weave us together,

Weave us together in unity and love.

Weave, weave, weave us together,

Weave us together, together in love.

BIBLE READINGS THIS WEEK

6. Psalms 124-126

7. Psalms 127-129

8. Psalms 130-132

9. Psalms 133-135

10. Psalms 136-138

11. Psalms 139-141

12. Psalms 142-144