

# Announcements

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**THE MOTHERS' DAY OFFERING** will be received TODAY. The offering helps residents of Presbyterian Communities who have outlived their savings. Today, over 900 older adults reside in one of five (5) Presbyterian Communities across the state of South Carolina. Please use a special pew envelope or write *Mother's Day Offering* on the memo line of your check. If you are interested in this ministry, contact Nancy Nutter (803-547-5543 or [nnutter@unityfortmill.org](mailto:nnutter@unityfortmill.org)). Thank you for your support.

**PICK UP A CHRISTIAN SUMMER ADVENTURE (CSA) BUCKET TODAY!** Instead of offering Children's Sunday school classes this summer, Unity is taking faith formation on the road and into our homes with our CSA buckets for families. Each bucket contains all of the materials you need to explore Old Testament Bible stories about Kings, Queens and Prophets. Participate in a scavenger hunt, journal through writing or drawing, experience a new way to pray, and serve others in your family all summer long, whether you are here in town, at the beach, or camping in the mountains. Each bucket also includes a Flat Jesus, the King of Kings. Take him wherever you go and take a picture or selfie with him. Share it with the hashtag #FlatJesusatUnity so that we can see where all members of our Unity church family have traveled this summer.

**JOIN US FOR INTERGENERATIONAL BIBLE TRIVIA:** All ages are invited to the Fellowship Hall on **Sunday, May 27<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 am** for Bible trivia. See what we you have learned through your *Year of the Bible* reading or test your Biblical knowledge in a fun and safe environment.

## **SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION begins June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- \* CIW offered at 11:00 am only. Children who come to the 8:45 service are encouraged to practice their worship skills with their families this summer. 4 year olds and 5 year olds are also welcome in the nursery following the Children's Time.
- \* Adults & High School youth – 1 class at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall discussing the *Year of the Bible* readings for the week – All are welcome whether you are participating in the *Year of the Bible* or not.
- \* A place for middle school youth and older elementary children at 10:00 am in M208 if parents are attending the adult class – includes activities that will complement the lessons used in the CSA summer buckets.
- \* A place for children below 3<sup>rd</sup> grade at 10:00 am – on the nursery wing

**MISSION CAMP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We are still in need of a couple more volunteers for VBS Mission Camp June 11-14. Hours are 8:30-12:30 M, T and TH and 8:30-3:00 on Wednesday. Volunteers need to be Safe Place-trained and able and willing to drive 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade children to mission sites and serve alongside them. Please contact Kathryn McGregor at 803-547-5543 or [KMcGregor@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:KMcGregor@UnityFortMill.org) for more information.

**ROLLING RIVER RAMPAGE** Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. The decorating team is looking for Christmas trees that they could borrow for the week of VBS, June 11-14. The trees are needed on Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, for set-up in the Sanctuary, and will be broken down on Friday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. You are welcome to set your own tree up and take it down, or the team will be happy to do it for you. The trees will be labeled at their bases for identification. Also, if you have large boxes or pieces of cardboard, the team is happy to take them off your hands!

**LAMINATED SUMMER SCHEDULES** for the *Year of the Bible* readings are available on the table in the Narthex with the CSA buckets. Take your schedule with you to the beach or the pool without concern over getting your guide book wet! Or, join us for a “Summer of the Bible.” Haven’t been able to commit to all year? Pick up a schedule and join us on our reading this summer. Adults and high school youth will have the opportunity to discuss their readings weekly in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 am every Sunday from June 3-August 5.

**WHO’S READY TO COOK?** Unity’s Presbyterian Women are preparing a cookbook, and we need your help! If you would like your recipes to be represented in the cookbook, fill out the recipe collection form and submit them by email ([unityprescookbook@gmail.com](mailto:unityprescookbook@gmail.com)) or in the recipe collection box found in the church office and Narthex hallway. Recipe collection forms can be found by the recipe collection box; or you can download the form from Unity’s website. If you have an interesting story associated with the recipe, please submit it with the recipe collection form. NOTE: due to limited space, the story must be 200 characters or less. **Deadline to submit recipes is June 8<sup>th</sup>.** If you have any questions, email [unityprescookbook@gmail.com](mailto:unityprescookbook@gmail.com).

**ANSWER TO LAST WEEK’S QUESTIONS** for *Year of the Bible*:

- When he gets the news of Saul’s death, David mourns him. (2 Samuel 1)
- The prophet who confronts David about his sin with Bathsheba is Nathan. (2 Samuel 12:1-15)

**THIS WEEK’S QUESTIONS:**

- What does Paul think of lawsuits begun by Christians against other Christians?
- For whatever reason, according to Paul, has God given different gifts to different people within a congregation?

**INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT MORE** about Stephen Ministry at Unity? Go to our website and click on the “Adults” tab. Then click on the “Stephen Ministry” tab. Another training class will begin this Fall, and we welcome your inquiries about receiving care from a Stephen Minister or becoming a Stephen Minister; contact Jeannie Bickett (803.547.5543 or [pjbickett@unityfortmill.org](mailto:pjbickett@unityfortmill.org)) or any of the other Stephen Ministers.

**AFTER-HOURS PASTORAL EMERGENCY NUMBER: 803-280-1075.** This line enables us to have greater connection with our members and to respond more quickly to emergencies. It is intended for members and regular attendees. Questions related to financial or housing issues should be directed to the church office during regular office hours and will not be addressed through this line.

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