

# Announcements

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## HOLY WEEK WORSHIP:

- *Today, Palm Sunday:* Worship services at 8:45 and 11:00 am; Sunday school at 10:00 am
- *Maundy Thursday, April 18:* Worship with communion at 7:00 pm
- *Good Friday, April 19:* Self-Guided Prayer Stations, Room M210, from 11:00 am until 3:00 pm
- *Easter Sunday, April 21:* Worship at 7:00 am, 9:00 am, and 11:00 am

A **“WELCOME TO UNITY” COFFEE** will be held **TODAY at 10:00 am** in the Hospitality Room, M201. This is a time for new folks and visitors to come together with members to learn more about Unity Presbyterian Church. You will hear about Unity and have an opportunity to ask questions. Follow the hallway to the right as you leave the Narthex. Room M201 will be on the left. You are welcome to join us!

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED at 11:00 a.m. on EASTER SUNDAY** for Children in Worship. Please contact Melissa Dye ([CIW@unityfortmill.org](mailto:CIW@unityfortmill.org)) if you can help.

**ON EASTER SUNDAY**, Unity will join other Presbyterians and other denominations to receive the *One Great Hour of Sharing* offering. This offering began following World War II when Protestant churches in the United States made appeals for the relief and reconstruction of devastated areas, primarily in Europe and Asia. This year is the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this special offering. As the body of Christ called Presbyterians, we are making a difference together through our serving and our giving. Our offering will be divided between Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. We have missions in the U.S. and the World that will receive our support. For more information, visit [pcusa.org/oghsmap](http://pcusa.org/oghsmap).

**LUNCH BUNCH** will be taking a field trip on **Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>**, to visit the Lando-Manetta Mills Center in Lando, SC. The museum preserves the history of the town of Lando from Revolutionary War times to the town's recent past as a mill village. After the museum visit, we will go to the Wagon Wheel Restaurant for lunch. **We will caravan from Unity at 9:30 a.m.** If you have any questions, contact Lynn and Don Young (803-547-5869.)

**A PASSPORTKIDS! CAMP** parent meeting will be held on **Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00 pm** in Room M210. Please mark your calendars.

**OUR CHURCH ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (CAO)** is looking for a member who would enjoy serving as the church's representative with our Scouting program. This person would periodically assist the CAO and interact with the Troop and Pack leaders. If you have an interest with this outreach of Unity, please contact Jacob Saylor at [jsaylor@unityfortmill.org](mailto:jsaylor@unityfortmill.org).

**ADULT CURRICULUM PREVIEW:** All Sunday school and Bible study leaders for adult classes are invited to a curriculum preview on **Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**, to preview curriculum and begin making plans for next year. Drop-in anytime between 4:00-6:00 pm. Contact Kathryn McGregor at 803-547-5543 or [KMcGregor@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:KMcGregor@UnityFortMill.org) for more information.

**WANT TO LEARN MORE** about keeping a Sabbath? Pick up a copy of a bibliography of additional reading on the Welcome table in the Narthex.

**COLLEGE GRADUATES:** If you or your child are graduating from college in 2019, we are collecting forms and pictures to put in the newsletter. College Graduate Information forms are available at the Youth Station. The deadline to get your information in is **April 28<sup>th</sup>**.

**HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:** If you or your child are graduating from high school in 2019, we are collecting Student Information Forms, videos, and pictures for the newsletter so that we can honor our graduates. Students will be honored in worship on **May 19<sup>th</sup>**, and a congregational breakfast will be held in honor of our graduates that day during Sunday school. Forms have been mailed, but if you do not receive one, extra forms are available at the Youth Station. The deadline to get your information in is **May 5<sup>th</sup>**.

**REGISTER NOW FOR “JOURNEY TO JESUS”,** one day day-camp for children in Kindergarten through Second Grade on **Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm.** It will include games, music, crafts, a Bible lesson, and a snack, and all the activities will be planned and executed by our fabulous Middle School Youth (under the supervision of some great adults!) The cost is \$20 per child, with a \$5 discount for each additional child for families with more than one child. Registration is open now **through April 28<sup>th</sup> on the church website.** All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to the General Operating Reserve Fund to help with costs associated with the fire and fire recovery.

**HIGH SCHOOL WORK CAMP June 16<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>:** All rising 9<sup>th</sup>-graders through graduated seniors are invited to attend. We will be traveling to Brunswick County, NC, and working with Brunswick Baptist Association to join the hurricane relief effort in that area. Cost is \$250 per person; please register on our website under Youth Summer Trips. For this trip, we are partnering with another church who has experience with Intergenerational Mission Trips to research whether this might be a possibility for Unity. If you are an adult with a passion for mission or you have an interest in intergenerational mission, please consider going as a chaperone on this trip. If you have questions, contact Rev. Lindsay White ([lwhite@unityfortmill.org](mailto:lwhite@unityfortmill.org)). **The deadline to sign up is May 12<sup>th</sup>.**

#### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES:**

##### ***Babylon: Daniel’s Courage in Captivity – June 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>***

Join us for the Vacation of a Lifetime at our new Intergenerational VBS.

Bring your entire family to Babylon, where Daniel had courage in captivity. You’ll travel back into Bible times - without setting foot outside our church. Each day, your family can become part of history as you see, hear, touch, and even taste what it was like to live in Babylon! You’ll explore the Marketplace shops, visit Daniel, take part in games, dance to lively Bible songs, and sample tasty tidbits as you discover more about Daniel’s adventures in Babylon. These experiences make God’s Word come alive with new meaning for all who participate! Mark these dates on your calendar: June 21<sup>st</sup> 5:30-8:00 pm, June 22<sup>nd</sup> 9:00 am-12:00 pm, and June 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:00-11:00 am. Registration for this awesome Bible adventure will begin April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Cost is \$15 per child, and space is limited. Have questions or want to help? Contact your Babylon Marketplace Directors: Anna Gosney & Kate Haynes at [VBS@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:VBS@UnityFortMill.org).

***Grands Camp: Loving God’s Creation - August 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>:*** Grandparents and grandchildren will enjoy time together learning about and exploring God’s creation through this new intergenerational camp opportunity **August 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am-12:30 pm** each day. Invite your grandparents or grandchildren from out of town or from just down the street to join you for this exciting new adventure. Don’t have grandparents or grandchildren who can participate with you? Sign up to be a surrogate grandparent or grandchild for another member of our congregation. Don’t miss out on exploring God’s love for creation and our responsibility to care for God’s creation with your grandparents or grandchildren through games, crafts, stories and more. Registration will be held in May. Cost is \$30 per child. For more information, contact Kathryn McGregor ([KMcGregor@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:KMcGregor@UnityFortMill.org) or 803-547-5543.)

**CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS & DRAWERS** to help VBS: Needed items are: sheets, rope, Mason jars, curtains, and battery-operated tea lights. Bring donated items to Kathryn McGregor. Please put your name on anything you want returned.

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**DIRECTORY PHOTOS: IT'S NOT TOO LATE!** We had such success with our 2 weeks of photography sessions, and still so many folks that were not able to make those days work, that we have added another day, Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>! This gives all who were either on the Wait List or otherwise unable to find a suitable time the opportunity to be included in our new Pictorial Directory. *It's not too late, but this will be the last chance!* Please sign yourself up for a session at [www.bit.ly/UFMphoto](http://www.bit.ly/UFMphoto) or contact Sally Herlong at [CongregationalCare@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:CongregationalCare@UnityFortMill.org) or 803-547-5543.

**INTERESTED IN A TRIP TO THE HOLY LAND** in March of 2020? Brochures are available at the Welcome Table in the Narthex. For more information, contact Dan Rogers ([rogersd@comporium.net](mailto:rogersd@comporium.net) or 864-245-3122.)

**UPCOMING CONNECTIONS CLASSES:** The classes are designed for people **new to our church** who may be considering becoming members. This class will provide information about the congregation, what it means to be a Presbyterian, opportunities for involvement, how to become a member, and other topics of interest and importance. It will also provide a great opportunity for you to meet some of the Unity staff and other church members.

Summer Class: June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

Fall Class: September 15<sup>th</sup> 12:00-3:00 pm; September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 am

Winter Class: November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

**Pre-registration is required for the classes.** To register or ask questions, contact Nancy Nutter ([NNutter@UnityFortMill.org](mailto:NNutter@UnityFortMill.org).)