

Unity Lamplighter

May 19-25, 2025

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Announcements

The **150th Committee** will meet **May 28** at **6 pm** in the Conference Room

Mark your calendars for VBS **June 9-12**, Magnified! will be the theme this year. More details soon.

If you haven't been receiving text messages from us recently, it may be because you have an Android phone that doesn't recognize the Remind number.

This week will be our final Wednesday Prayer and Bible Study before the summer break.

Please save your empty paper towel and toilet paper rolls and bring to the church for VBS.

Volunteer Schedule

Nursery:

5/25 Karen Baxley/Robin Cox
6/1 Lisa Clawson/Laura Cox

Children's Church:

5/25 Mary Ann Willis/Mandy Walker
6/1 Rita Jamison/Landyn Robinson

Safety Patrol:

5/25 Mike Walters
6/1 Anthony Carnes

Elder of the Month:

David LeBlanc

Deacon of the Month:

Pat Lee

Ushers of the Month:

Pat Lee
Mike Wells
Sam Tyson
Jonathon Carnes

May Memory Verse

"Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places." Ephesians 6:11-12

Planning is underway for the church's **150th Anniversary Celebration** and the committee is seeking your help. If you have church history items/artifacts that you would like to share and

Prayer Requests

Family of Glenn Ribelin
Family of Philip Helms
Jennifer Deason – chemo treatments
Mark Huey – recovery, now at home
Diana Hallman – ALS
Karen Thomas – recovery
Linda Henderson, Al Starnes, Robert and Nancy Watterson, Jean Stogner, Gail and Joanne Dailey

display throughout the year,
please contact Robin Cox.

Giving 5/18:

General fund \$4,201
Building fund \$ 280.50
Designated fund \$ 291

Total \$4,772.50

Year to Date:

Budget \$154,115.43

Gen. Fund \$138,275.44

Behind \$15,839.99

Honorariums and Memorials:

In memory of William Robinson by:
Rita Jamison

In memory of MacMac by Don and Karen

In memory of Glenn Ribelin, Jr by:
Lancaster County Beekeepers Association
Thomas and Sheila Starnes

In honor of Rhonda's birthday May 20th by John McCain

In honor of Chandler by Don and Karen

In honor of Gracie Starnes by Sam and Lisa Clawson

In honor of Brent Wallace by Reba Hallman

From Our Corner

Yesterday was a special day for the youth of our church as we celebrated Youth Sunday. Gracie Starnes was our graduate celebrity as she is our only graduating high school senior this year. May is always a month for our church family to feel the shock that one or more of our babies is ready to "fly the coop"... And so it is with Gracie. It seems like just yesterday that she was involved in dance recitals and all manner of sports, including soccer, basketball, track, swimming and perhaps more. She wore her Brownie and Girl Scout uniforms proudly as she and her sister, Torie, competed in selling cookies. The two sisters also arrived at a Girl Scout meeting with a beautiful new born black lamb that stole our hearts as we were educated in lamb care! Gracie is more beautiful than ever and headed to Alabama to study communications. We watched our "younger youth" quite capably lead us in our Sunday Worship Service. The Jasper and Katherine Taylor Scholarship recipients were announced for the coming year, and they are Jason McAteer, Gracie Starnes, Emma Deason. We are also proud of our college graduates: Josh Lilly, BS in Nursing; Kayleigh Robinson, BS in Civil Engineering, Torie Starnes, BA in Sociology; Olivia Thomas in Psychology. The Taylors generosity with these scholarships has eased the burden of higher education for so many families here at Unity. We are blessed to have young people who so openly recognize their gratitude for the dedication and the time given by parents, teachers, and youth leaders in the nurturing of bodies and souls, as they have received over their childhood. To God give the Glory!