

## THE CHURCH CALENDAR

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8:00 A.M. Deacons  
8:00 A.M. Chancel Choir  
9:00 A.M. Sunday school  
10:00 A.M. Worship  
4:00 P.M. CE Committee  
5:00 P.M. Children/Youth

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

11:00 A.M. Adult Prayer/Bible Study

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

Family of Mitchell Starnes

Family of Joann Funderburk (Terri Robinson's grandmother)

Dana Tyson - recovery

Mark Huey - recovery

Diana Hallman - ALS

Shut-Ins:

Linda Henderson  
Al Starnes  
Robert and Nancy Watterson  
Jean Stogner  
Gail and Joanne Dailey

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### NURSERY

09/14: Lisa Clawson/Jena Dean  
09/21: Karen Baxley/Robin Cox

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

09/14: Karen Baxley/Chandler Kirkley  
09/21: Paula Peasley/Destiny Peasley

### SAFETY PATROL

09/14: Tommy Deason  
09/21: Bryan Walker

### DEACON OF THE MONTH

Steve Willis

### ELDER OF THE MONTH

Joseph McCain

### USHERS:

Greg Brasington, Steve Willis,  
Mike Walters, Mike Hagins

## T H E L A M P L I G H T E R

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### OCTOBER CELEBRATION

In light of the recent "Bonclarken Weekend" survey, the elders decided to cancel the 2025 Bonclarken Weekend and, instead, have a Fall celebration at Unity. If you would like to serve on the planning committee for that event, please contact the church office or let pastor Hammond know.

### COMMUNICANT'S CLASS

A communicant's class for children who desire to profess their faith in Christ and unite with our church as a communicant member will take place this Fall. If you believe your child is ready to take this step, please contact Rev. Hammond soon.

### A FEW THINGS FROM HOMECOMING SUNDAY

If you or your child was baptized on Homecoming and you have pictures either from the baptism or afterwards, Clara Starnes would like a copy for a future display. She needs actual pictures, not sent digitally.

### FROM OUR CORNER (REPRINT FROM THE SPRING)

This past week we celebrated the life of Mr. William Harold Robinson and the blessings he and his family, past and present, have brought to our church and community for many decades. William was the son of Samuel Harold Robinson and Brennie Huey Robinson, and arrived in this world on February 17th, 1947. William grew up with a sister, Brenda, and a younger brother, Dennis. He was very much a part of the Unity Community and Unity AR Presbyterian Church, just as his ancestors, who were a deep part of the fabric of its history for decades. William was active in the life of the church, attending Sunday School, evening youth groups, Vacation Bible School, and Bonclarken retreats. He was also a member of Boy Scouts, which was sponsored by the church. His lifelong love of camping and fishing made him a proficient Boy Scout culminating in earning the rank of Eagle Scout. William attended and graduated from Buford High School where he met his best friend, Brenda Walters. He and Brenda were married and lived in Tennessee while he attended and graduated from Nashville Auto Diesel College. Soon after his graduation, William was drafted into the United States Army, where he served in the infantry and was in imminent danger. He was proud of serving his country. Upon return home, he and Brenda settled in Unity Community where their two children, Tonya and Darin, were born. He was a devoted father and husband. He greatly enjoyed his family time. William worked for Springs Industries as a supervisor in the transportation department. William was a "jack of all trades". He was proficient and meticulous in auto repair, wood working, and building. His work shop and cars were also organized and immaculate. Over his lifetime, William owned several pets, and while loving all of them, his two favorite were his mixed breed dog, Short Cake, and his beautiful cat, Ruby! He was always faithful to his church, serving as a Deacon and Elder. He and his family rarely missed church and church related activities. In later years, as his grandchildren were born, he enjoyed spending time with each one. "POP POP" took great pride in granddaughters, Kayleigh, Avery, and Aubrey, and his grandson and namesake, Will. William will forever be remembered for his kind, gentle ways. He was loving and loved. He had a servant's heart!

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TREASURER'S REPORT

2025 BUDGET

BUDGET NEEDS TO DATE

OFFERING TO DATE

BEHIND

NEEDED 09/07

OFFERING 09/07

**\$374,280.08**

**\$264,204**

**\$260,005.77**

**\$4,198.23**

**\$7,339.00**

**CONTRIBUTIONS - \$13,194.63**

**FACILITY RENTAL - \$**

**COTTAGE RESERVATIONS- \$**

**TOTAL RECEIVED - \$13,194.63**

In memory of Charles Starnes and Mitchell Starnes by Ronnie and Wanda Ingram

In memory of Mitchell Starnes, Charles Starnes, and Edith Workman by Don and Karen Baxley

In honor of Henry Evan Helmlinger by Joseph and Patricia McCain

COTTAGE

In honor of Reba Hallman for her birthday by Julie Taylor

BACKPACK

In honor of Daniel Haynes' 1st birthday. Love, Uncle A

BLDG/ GROUNDS MAINTENANCE YTD

**\$7,090.83**

BLDG/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE 09/07

**\$147.63**

In loving memory of William Robinson for our anniversary by Brenda Robinson

In loving honor of Lisa and Sammy Clawson on their 34th wedding anniversary on September 14, 2025 by Bill and Linda Carraway

**FROM THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

I once saw a quote that said, "the only way to achieve immortality on this earth is to teach others what you know".

We currently have opportunities for that statement to become true. There are several openings for teachers/leaders especially with our Middle School group on Sunday Morning and Night.

The opportunity to share your knowledge is wonderful but to share the Word of God is so much better.

If God is working with you (or you even feel like he may be) please contact Rev. Hammond or any member of the CE committee. We would love to let you know of the great opportunities we have with our programs and how you can truly influence the life of our young people.

Thank you,

Billy Carnes, Chair of the CE Committee

**CHANCEL CHOIR PRACTICES**

SEPTEMBER:

September 14th; 8:00 a.m.

September 28th; 8:00 a.m.

OCTOBER:

October 12th; 8:00 a.m.

October 26th; 8:00 a.m.

NOVEMBER:

November 9th; 8:00 a.m.

November 16th; 8:00 a.m.

November 30th; 8:00 a.m.

DECEMBER:

December 17th (Wednesday)

December 21 (cantata)

**PANTRY ITEMS**

If you are leaving any food items in the pantry in the fellowship hall, PLEASE make sure they are in a plastic, sealable container (this includes condiments). If not, items will be thrown away.

**COASTERS AND THANK YOU NOTES**

If you'd like to purchase coasters and/or thank you notes from our 150th celebration, please contact the church office. We have plenty of both available.

**CE COMMITTEE**

The CE Committee will meet Sunday, September 14th, at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference room. Members are: Billy Carnes, Dave LeBlanc, Greg Brasington, Charles and Michelle Hammond, Paula Peasley, Angie Matthews, and Debbie Crenshaw.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

The Unity Women's Ministries would like to invite you to a bridal shower honoring Emma Hammond on Saturday, September 27th. Look in Sunday's bulletin and next week's Lamplighter for more details.