

THE CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12	
8:00 A.M.	Deacons
8:00 A.M.	Chancel Choir
9:00 A.M.	Sunday school
10:00 A.M.	Worship
11:00 A.M.	Nominating Committee
5:00 P.M.	Children/Youth
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15	
11:00 A.M.	Adult Prayer/Bible Study

REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

- Family of Mitchell Starnes
- Family of Joann Funderburk (Terri Robinson’s grandmother)
- Family of Edith Workman (Toni Flynn’s sister)
- Violet Belk - recovery
- Wayne Willis - recovery
- Terri Robinson - recovery from surgery
- Don Baxley - recovery from stent placement
- Byran Thomas - recovery from stroke
- Debbie Crenshaw - recovery from surgery
- John Robinson - recovery from bladder cancer surgery
- Bobby Hughes - recovery from stent placement
- 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

<u>NURSERY</u>
10/12:
10/19: Karen B./Robin C.
<u>CHILDREN’S CHURCH</u>
10/12:
10/19: Mary Ann W./Mandy W.
<u>SAFETY PATROL</u>
10/12: Mike Walters
10/19: Mike Walters
<u>DEACON OF THE MONTH</u>
Mike Walters
<u>ELDER OF THE MONTH</u>
Joe Flynn
<u>USHERS:</u>
Jamie McCowan, Darin Robinson,
Bryan Walker, Tommy Deason

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FROM OUR CORNER

On her birthday week, I want to share some memories of my mother-in-law, Sue Carter. I finally settled on calling her “Grandma C” after Jennifer was born. Before Jennifer, I had addressed her as Mrs. Carter, which did not really define the warmth we shared. Grandma C and I embarked on many adventures, and the first one occurred before Richard and I were married in a blackberry patch! Grandma C was worried about my getting sunburned, and she dressed me in Granddaddy C’s bib overalls and a long sleeved shirt, and I wore a straw hat. I WAS protected from the sun, but the heat (About 95 degrees and high humidity in mid-day, mid-June) almost did me in. We were there several hours in the briars and overgrowth, picking enough berries to make Richard’s favorite jelly. When we returned to the house, I headed for a cooling bath and regular clothes and then curled up in front of a fan (no AC!) and slept for several hours! Grandma C was worried, but I was fine. That first adventure led to many more over the years. I taught in the winter, but Saturdays were reserved for Grandma C, Richard’s Granny, and his Aunt Lucy. The four of us would pile into a car and go treasure hunting and shopping almost every week. Grandma was an avid gardener. She and I canned hundreds of green beans, jars of dill pickles and jellies and froze as many cartons of peaches, corn, and okra! We did not have AC, and we sent up sincere prayers of thanks for a rare breeze coming into the kitchen. We worked in harmony, mainly because we mostly did things her way... and she did know so much, and I, being a city girl, had LOTS to learn. Looking back, I do know those days flew by because we were working together and accomplishing much with the tasks shared. It was fun to share the results of our labors with our neighbors. We did have one other berry incident when I got a snake bite over close to the McWhorter’s pasture near the little branch. I felt a sting and was nauseous, but did not realize what had happened until later. That evening, Richard checked my foot when it was really swollen and found the bite pattern. We called our doctor at home and he said I would be okay, but the foot would probably turn black... which it did! Grandma C and I picked berries the next week. One of these days, I will share her quirky personality with you. God does make life interesting with HIS sense of humor!

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee will meet Sunday, October 12th, immediately following the worship service. Members are: Richard Carter, Tommy Deason, Greg Brasington, Debbie Crenshaw, and Billy Carnes.

CHURCH 109

OUR FAITHFULNESS FOR
OCTOBER 5, 2025

TREASURER’S REPORT

2025 BUDGET	\$374,280.08
BUDGET NEEDS TO DATE	\$293,560.00
OFFERING TO DATE	\$288,480.50
BEHIND	\$5,079.50
NEEDED 10/05	\$7,339.00
OFFERING 10/05	CONTRIBUTIONS - \$6,094.59
	MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION - \$5,000.00
	COTTAGE RESERVATIONS- \$
	TOTAL RECEIVED - \$11,094.59

PLAYGROUND
In memory of Edith Workman and Joann Funderburk by Sara Logan
In honor of my wonderful sister, Donna Hagins, on her birthday by Howard and Debbie Williams
In memory of Bailey Boo by Don and Karen Baxley
FELLOWSHIP HALL CABINET
In memory of Harry Lake and Betty Jean Lane McCain by Don and Karen Baxley

BLDG/ GROUNDS MAINTENANCE YTD	\$8,112.03
BLDG/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE 10/05	\$155.29

FROM THE PASTOR

Help Wanted

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. 7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.

Even before becoming pastor at Unity, one of the things that stood out to me was this church’s unwavering commitment to its children and youth. For generations, Unity has invested in helping young people grow in their relationship with Christ.

I often hear adults speak with deep gratitude for their former youth leaders—those who took the time to teach them, pray for and with them, and show them what it means to follow Jesus. Perhaps you, too, remember the impact of retreats, trips, or deep conversations with leaders who cared for you.

That same opportunity to shape lives is before us again. We are in need of Sunday School teachers for our middle and high school students, as well as advisors for our middle school group on Sunday evenings.

You don’t need to be an expert—just someone with a heart to see our young people know Christ and grow in Him. Would you prayerfully consider stepping into this important ministry?

SAVE THE DATE

FAMILY FUN FALL FESTIVAL
October 25th & 26th

Come enjoy a weekend of Family Fun beginning at 3pm on Saturday, October 25th

Get your Memory Caps on- We will be sharing our favorite past church memories.

Traditional fall festival games, beginning at 3pm on Saturday, October 25th

Bakers... dust off those recipe books for an Apple Baking Contest and Dessert Walk

There will be a Pumpkin Design Contest, a Kickball game, Hamburgers and Hot Dogs as well as many other games for ALL AGES.

We will end Saturday night under the stars with a Family Movie

Sunday will be casual worship with a KFC lunch to follow.

More details to follow in the next couple of weeks.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the bulletin on Sunday.

YOU’RE INVITED!

Please join us for a
Drop-in celebrating
Patricia Carter’s 80th Birthday
Saturday, November 8th
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Unity ARP Fellowship Hall

CHANCEL CHOIR

Sunday, October 12th
8:00 A.M.
Breakfast provided