

THE CHURCH CALENDAR	
<b><u>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28</u></b>	
8:00 A.M.	Chancel Choir
9:00 A.M.	Sunday school
10:00 A.M.	Worship
11:00 A.M.	Session
4:00 P.M.	Playground Committee
5:00 P.M.	Children/Youth
<b><u>WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1</u></b>	
11:00 A.M.	Adult Prayer/Bible Study
<b><u>SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4</u></b>	
8:00 A.M.	Grounds Workday

REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

- Family of Mitchell Starnes
- Family of Joann Funderburk (Terri Robinson’s grandmother)
- Family of Edith Workman (Toni Flynn’s sister)
- 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
<b><u>NURSERY</u></b> 09/28: Chandler K./Debbie C. 10/05: Wanda I./Lisa M.
<b><u>CHILDREN’S CHURCH</u></b> 09/28: Sheri Wells/Kobe Wells 10/05: Rita Jamison/Landyn Robinson
<b><u>SAFETY PATROL</u></b> 09/28: Bryan Walker 10/05: Mike Walters
<b><u>DEACON OF THE MONTH</u></b> Mike Walters
<b><u>ELDER OF THE MONTH</u></b> Joseph McCain
<b><u>USHERS:</u></b> Greg Brasington, Steve Willis, Mike Walters, Mike Hagins

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FROM OUR CORNER

This week, I want to share the journey of one of our North Carolina Camp Joy participants, Todd Copper, who has found a way to “give back” to others or maybe it just happens to be “to pay it forward”. In any event, Todd is living the Camp Joy mission of Jesus, first; others, second; and you, last. Todd collects pop tabs from various parts of the country. Over the past year, Todd’s fellow campers, counselors and friends had saved the tabs and brought them to his session at Bonclarken. They weighed in at a whopping 78 pounds! These tabs, with those he had accumulated from the other areas equaled 143 pounds , which is a new record to take over to the Ronald McDonald House (a house which provides temporary housing for families who need lodging for families who have members receiving care in from a distance). The collected pop tabs will be paid from a recycling company that comes in a quarterly check to be used as a supplement by RMC for expenses. Todd’s contribution of tabs was enough to pay for their utilities for the entire year! Todd prayerfully thanks everyone that donated these tabs from off of cans of soup, drinks, pet cans, etc. to his mission of helping RMC. Todd wants to remind us that every tab counts. I think that this is also a reminder to each of us that when we ask God to use us, He will, in His infinite way show us the way. When we join in support of our church family, GREAT BLESSINGS OCCUR! For interest in saving tabs, we keep a small jar by the sink, and as we rinse cans, we drop them in. As the jar fills, we dump them into a baggie. Any of us going to Bonclarken would be glad to deliver them over the summer to the Camp Joy staff. They KNOW about Todd’s MISSION!

COMMUNION

We will observe the sacrament of the Lord’s Supper on Sunday, October 5th

TREASURER’S REPORT

2025 BUDGET	\$374,280.08
BUDGET NEEDS TO DATE	\$278,882.00
OFFERING TO DATE	\$269,965.88
BEHIND	\$8,916.12
NEEDED 09/21	\$7,339.00
OFFERING 09/21	CONTRIBUTIONS - \$6,226.63
	FACILITY RENTAL - \$
	COTTAGE RESERVATIONS- \$
	TOTAL RECEIVED - \$6,226.63
BLDG/ GROUNDS MAINTENANCE YTD	\$7,746.55
BLDG/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE 09/21	\$438.37

In honor of Byran Thomas, Debbie Crenshaw, Sara Logan, Nancy Watterson, Bobby Hughes, and John McCain by Sarah Robinson

In memory of Dot Huey by Vivian White  
In honor of Angie and Pat’s wedding by John and Rhonda McCain  
ENDOWMENT  
In memory of Edith Workman and Joann Funderburk by Richard and Patty Carter  
In memory of Mrs. Linda Mullis, Trevor Cauthen, Mitchell Starnes, and Joann Funderburk by Reggie and Vivian Starnes  
BACKPACK  
In honor of Linda Henderson by Sara Logan  
GLENN RIBELIN JR FOUNDATION  
In honor of Andrea Ribelin. We love you! By Rush and Sophie Preston

OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS

ANNIVERSARIES

3. Greg and Nancy Brasington  
15. Howard and Debbie Williams  
16. Michael and Dayna Jacobs  
18. Robert and Heather Breedlove  
19. Jamie and Janet McCowan  
24. Charles and Michelle Hammond

BIRTHDAYS

1. Paula Peasley  
3. Laura Lewis  
5. Sarah Robinson  
8. Teresa Funderburk, Dennis Terkelsen  
10. Donna Hagins  
12. Emma Ingram  
14. Andrea Ribelin  
17. Robert Breedlove, Casey Carnes  
18. Kayleigh Robinson, Sam Tyson  
19. Ken Muennich, Caroline Carnes  
20. Lisa Willis  
23. Judy Fickling, John Huckert  
24. Lisa Muennich  
25. Kim Wren, Weston Carnes, Gabe Peasley  
26. Chad Starnes  
31. Evan Thomas

STOP THE BLEED CLASS

Sunday, September 28th  
  
3:00 PM to 4:30 PM  
  
Unity ARP Church  
  
Fellowship Hall  
  
ALL ARE WELCOME

YOU ARE INVITED!!!

The Unity Women’s Ministries invites you to a bridal shower honoring Emma Hammond on Saturday, September 27th. The shower will be held in the fellowship hall from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. and will be a brunch. Emma is registered at Amazon, Target, and Crate and Barrel.

CHANCEL CHOIR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th  
8:00 A.M.

ELDERS MEETING

The elders will meet on Sunday, September 28th following the worship service. Please make note of the change of date.

PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

Sunday, September 28  
4:00 p.m.  
Conference Room

GROUNDS WORKDAY

The Deacons will host a workday on the grounds on Saturday, October 4th, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Please bring tools for trimming shrubbery and trees.