SPECIAL PRAYER IS REQUESTED: Verda Gingerich (mother of one of Woodleaf Firefighters, Kevin Gingerich), Darrell Baker (brother-in-law of Chuck Quimby), Martha Deal, Louise Moore (mother of Derek Albea), Carol Fleming, Barbara Morgan, Alisha Dowell Dollar, Rodger & Margie Erickson (friends of Ruth Quimby), Unspoken prayer needs, Pete Skinner (son-in-law of Chuck & Ruth Quimby), Telka Gullett (sister-in-law of Donnie Whitesides), Johnny Myers, Joy Brown, Randy Grant, Charlotte Gehrke (great niece of Mary Helen Myers), Pat Chaffin, Malcolm & Peggy Bullock, Sam & Gloria Correll, Kate Wilson, CC. & Peg Williams.

Public Safety Personnel: Probation officers, firefighters, paramedics, sheriff and police officers. **Military:** James & Sarah Fullwood (Marines), Logan Willis (National Guard). **Missionaries:** The Raymer Family

Pastor Nominating Committee, Next Pastor for Unity Church, Salem Presbytery, Our Nation.

DEACONS TO COUNT OFFERING: Renae Kluttz & Stan Moore (Next Sunday: Dick Moore & Rick Moore)

NURSERY TODAY: Lynn Shumaker (Next Sunday: Jennifer Dartt)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to (14) Tom Wetmore (16) Bryan Correll & Laura Watson (18) Greg Huss (20 Johnny Myers.

ONE CHURCH/ONE CHILD DONATIONS FOR MARCH: Need new or gently used shoes for children and teens (that can be worn year-round), new underwear, and new socks for children.

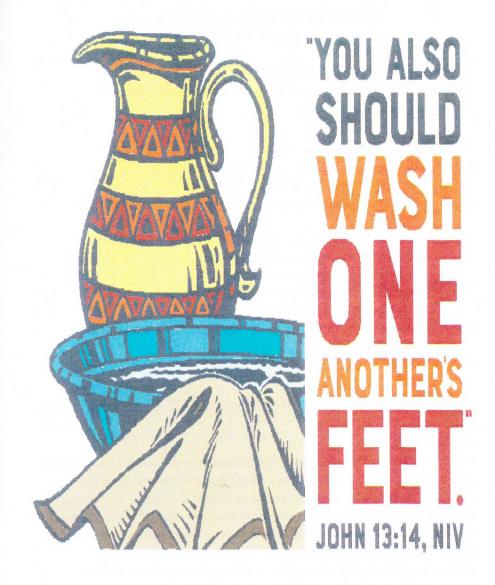
Please put in the tub in the narthex.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family of Charles Blume who passed away on Tuesday, March 8, 2022.

Session will meet today at 5:00pm.

Woodleaf Fire Dept. BBQ will be Saturday, March 19th, from 11-7:00pm. This will be drive through only. \$10/plate. Please come out and support our Fire Dept. If you would like to provide a dessert that we can put in a baggie-to go, please drop off at the Fire Dept, anytime on FRIDAY or by 10 on Saturday.

Please put announcements for the April newsletter in Crystal Earnhardt's box by next Sunday, March 20th.



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UNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH March 13, 2022

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor: The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

People: And also with you!

CALL TO WORSHIP from Psalm 51

One: Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

All: Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have

crushed rejoice.

One: Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

All: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.

One: Do not cast me away from your presence, and

do not take your holy spirit from me.

All: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a

willing spirit.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

HYMN "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ruler of all the earth; adversary of evil everywhere; Savior of all who put their trust in you; we confess that we do not always turn your light on ourselves as carefully as we do on the behavior of others. We are more prone to spotlight the failures of others than we are our own. We tend to include our human nature and ignore your warnings against what is hurtful to others and ourselves.

Forgive our incomplete obedience to your guidance. Save us from ourselves by your grace, sent to us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON GLORIA PATRI

YOUNG DISCIPLES TIME PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

No sanctuary is worthy of you, O God, but we bring our offerings here, not only to furnish this house of prayer, but to share with the world the gift of salvation that your freely offer us in Jesus, our Christ. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE John 13:1-17
MESSAGE "Lord of Understanding" Sue Moore

STATEMENT OF FAITH "Apostle's Creed"

HYMN "Take My Life and Let It Be" #385
CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

John 13: 1-17

#435

¹It was just before the Passover Festival. Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. ²The evening meal was in progress, and the devil had already prompted Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, to betray Jesus. ³Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; ⁴so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. ⁵After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him. ⁶He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Lord, are you going to wash my feet?" ⁷Jesus replied, "You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."

⁸"No," said Peter, "you shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered, "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me." ⁹"Then, Lord," Simon Peter replied, "not just my feet but my hands and my head as well!"

¹⁰Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." ¹¹For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not every one was clean.

¹²When he had finished washing their feet, he put on his clothes and returned to his place. "Do you understand what I have done for you?" he asked them. ¹³ "You call me 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and rightly so, for that is what I am. ¹⁴Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. ¹⁵ I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you. ¹⁶Very truly I tell you, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him. ¹⁷Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

In the fall of 2021, a group of young adults began to meet at Unity. Events included meeting at private homes and at church, dining out, game nights, and a movie night. Some of these young adults were in the live nativity at Christmas. The group is called NewStart, and that is what it is. A new start for young adults that want to meet for fellowship with other Christian young folks. The ages have ranged from middle school age to 20's. The decision was made to begin to meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 for a Youth-of-All-Ages type of service also. This is in collaboration with NewStart group meetings, but is open to all ages, not just the young adults. It was decided to call the Sunday morning time, NewStart of All Ages. (NOAA for short) The same format will be followed each week, with a volunteer providing the devotions. Coffee and pastry will be provided. Please spread the word about NOAA, and come and be a part of Sunday mornings at 9:30 in the Unity fellowship hall.

On March 21, NewStart young adults will meet at 6 PM in the fellowship hall. This month's meal theme is the "Nacho Table". Please spread the word to the young adults and encourage them to attend.

Family Night Meal will be Wednesday, March 23 at 6:00pm.

Menu will be: Fried Chicken, Baked ham, Potatoes, Slaw, Limas & dessert. Sign-up sheets will be available in both the Narthex and the Fellowship Hall. Come and join us for fellowship and thanksgiving as we can be together.

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