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### Join Us Sunday Mornings!

Christian Ed. for all  
ages 9:30 am  
Worship, 10:30 am

### About Us...

- All who seek and serve the love of God are ministers of Union Church
- Rev. Kent Gilbert, Pastor
- Jean Boyce, Moderator
- Joan English, Church Secretary
- Wyndee Holbrook, Director of Christian Education
- Deborah Payne, Youth Director
- Loretta Mountjoy, Woman's Industrial Director
- Jennifer Shelton and Bea Chasteen, Childcare
- Erik Reinhart, Custodian

Like Fall, the Bazaar is just around the corner, which means it is time to get our rakes/treasures and prepare for the tasks ahead. Not only has the date of the Bazaar been changed (to October 10th 9:00—2:00) the format will also be different.

Approximately half of the sales/activities will be **INSIDE** the building this year.

The Tableware (dishes, collectibles, glassware, etc) will be in Room 204. Books will be in the hallway just outside 204. Silent auction will be located in the Dialogue Center. Prints, linens, fabrics, kitchenware, small appliances, woman's Industrial crafts and MORE will be in the Community Room

The team plans to have the tables set up and items in place by 3:30 pm Friday (9th) so that members of the church who wish to may have time to "shop."

On Saturday the 10th our church yard will contain:

- Baked Goods
- Food for lunch
- A Christmas Shop



- Toys galore (esp. stuffed ones!)
- Entertainment
- Gardenware
- Live Auction (11:00 am)
- Quilt drawing (2:00) .... And much more!

We have a Campbellsville cherry bed and chest and a 1935-crafted doll house built



by N Y telephone workers—to



name a couple of things to be auctioned.

Tennant Kirk (phone 200-0179) will need help selling tickets for the beautiful red & white quilt.



In a recent sermon our minister asked us to "step out of the box" and take risks. That we have done, and we need your help in order to accomplish our goals.



Some of us have participated in this event for 25+ years because

- (1) it is the main source of revenue for the Missions of our church and,
- (2) we enjoy the camaraderie of our members as we work together for a common cause.

Our "pricing angels have been diligently working tow days a week to keep up, and the haulers have been available when needed.

How can you help, you may ask ...

Let us count the ways!

- ✧ Baking goodies (including items that can be frozen for Thanksgiving or Christmas)
  - ✧ Man (or woman) a section
  - ✧ Help set up/take down—Thursday, Friday, Saturday
  - ✧ Bring in your treasures
  - ✧ Shop and Buy!
  - ✧ Help make signage
  - ✧ Be good emissaries and pass the word
  - ✧ Bring a friend and attend our Bazaar. You will be glad you did!
- If able to help, or if you have questions call Dottie Blackburn (986-4265) or Steve Boyce (986-9210).

## October Birthdays & Anniversaries

### **Birthdays!**

1 Cole Warren  
 2 Jennie Kiteck  
 3 Dana Carlberg  
 3 Dorie Hubbard  
 3 Sam Spencer  
 4 Charles Harris  
 5 Dorothy Tredennick  
 5 Isabella Bellando  
 5 Eli Woodie  
 6 Levi Oles  
 7 Laurinda Pool  
 10 Eric Dodson  
 11 Ivy Rhys  
 11 Katie Basham  
 11 Cassie Kidwell  
 11 Jan Pearce  
 11 Sara Katherine  
     Manning-Beavin  
 12. Klara Welsh

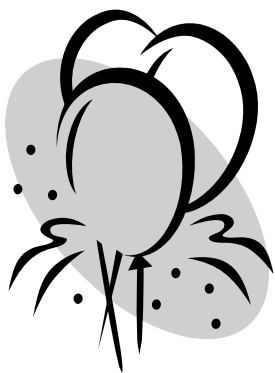
12 Tom Manning-Beavin  
 18 Justin Maxson  
 18 June Fish  
 18 Jane Sexton  
 20 Gina Chamberlain  
 20 Eric Keels  
 20 Oliver Keels  
 21 Merlin Kindel  
 22 Sarah Stopenhagen  
     Broomfield  
 22 Thomas Brownrobie  
 22 Averill Kilbourne  
 22 John Payne  
 22. Daniel Crump  
 23. Eleanor Srsic  
 24 Haley Baker  
 25 Dale Barlow  
 28 Corey Chao  
 28 Mandie Chao  
 28 Josh English

28 Les Kovacs  
 28 Bill Stolte  
 30 Sidney Farr  
 31 Luke Ambrose  
 31 Virginia Deaver

### **Anniversaries**

11 Robert Ukeilley &  
     Elizabeth Crowe  
 16 Ralph & Katrina Rivers  
     Thompson  
 22 Howard & Shirley  
     Carlberg  
 25 Tony & Katie Basham

*If we don't know your birthday or anniversary, we want to! Or if we've made a mistake please call or email the office.*



## News of the Family...

**Union Church** is a place where your faith can grow and deepen. We are actively looking for those who would like to explore discipleship with Jesus in this congregation.

*"Union Church welcomes all followers of Christ and works with all who work with Him; respecting each person's conscience; working by love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace."*

We welcomed new members on August 23rd: they are Cris Farmer, Wyndee Holbrook, Alvera Perman, Rebecca Powell and Charles & Myrna Sisson. And, if you'd like to formally join Union Church, please call the office.

And the Union Church family is growing in other ways!

**Ashley Cochrane and Jeff From** have welcomed **Sylvia Irene Cochrane From**, born on August 24, into the world!

Congrats to **Sean Perry and Laura Wick!** Their baby boy was born Sept. 27 at 2:12pm. No name as of printing, but all our prayers are surrounding mom, dad and child!

**Rev. Kent** has been invited to join Berea's sister-city delegation to Japan this month. Other church members going include Reid Connelly, and Anne Marie Vaughn. They will travel Oct 12-20.

Congrats to **Liz Grace Spencer** who is expecting a baby boy in January! Liz is the daughter of Joe and Jessica Spencer, and is continuing her studies at Midway College while she awaits the birth. Many blessings!

Congratulations to former interns **Chrissy Catalado and Mark Pettis**, both of whom will be ordained to Christian ministry in the United Church of Christ this month. Chrissy will be ordained on October 4<sup>th</sup> in Knoxville. She is staff chaplain at Passages Hospice in Bloomington, IL. Mark Pettis will be ordained October 25<sup>th</sup> in Irvine, CA. He will be pastor of First Congregational Church UCC in Moorhead, MN. Pastor Kent will attend both services.

From **Nancy Shinn**

*To our church family,*

*Thank you for the outpouring of cards and prayers that came our way with the death of my father. We feel surrounded by love and caring from our church family. As my siblings,*

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## From the Pastor

worship, Christly care, and education programs, we'll have to work together.

Dear Beloved,

First of all I want to take a moment to recognize the extraordinary service and labor so many of you have been involved with as the fall church season has begun. Not only have we initiated a new season of Wednesday night dinners and programs, we've launched intentional and inspirational education programs, hired a new Christian Education Director, started the youth groups off with a bang, and undertaken an historic new commitment to our mission. Well done, Church! Caring, worshipping, learning, serving, giving. These are the characteristics we can be proud to call hallmarks of our Christian faith.

Like all worthwhile endeavors, the ministry of serving and helping takes planning and it takes money. This month we'll start working on the planning for 2010 and all the vision that God has given the church. Exciting things are afoot, including putting into action the careful "Living the Vision" mission statement we've worked on for 2 years and just adopted. Some of our hopes include the first major rehabilitation of the building in decades (much needed!), and being able to accomplish some desperately needed service projects in our community. To bring these to fruition, and to continue our passionate and excellent

We've come too far not to trust that God will lead us yet again. Union Church has always been a special voice for justice, for care, and for love for all God's children. As we plan and budget you can help. You can help by keeping our chairs and officers in your prayers. You can help by speaking up with good ideas and supportive comments. And, of course we can all help by planning and praying about our tithes that help provide the space, put caring people in the right place, and empower the good ideas and prayers shared here.

Our mission calls us to be people of Unbounded Hospitality, Intentional and Inspirational Faith Development, Risk Taking Mission and Service, Passionate Worship and Extravagant Generosity and Care. I'm excited by growing in these directions personally and as part of this beloved community of Christ. Not for a budget, but for the people of God. Not for building, but for all the Spirit this building has housed. Joining our hands, our money, our time with God's greater purpose is the very reason we exist, and I'm excited to see all that is unfolding before us. For all the love and service I see in you every day, I give thanks, and cherish the chance to be in ministry together.

Much love,

Rev. Kent

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*children, and grandchildren recalled stories of happier times, we realized how blessed we were to have Dad with us for 91 years. He was alert to the end, as he peacefully left this earth, holding the hands of a sister and 2 brothers. Your concern has been comforting.*

*Gratefully, Nancy Shinn*

**Loretta Mountjoy** will have shoulder surgery on Oct. 20, to repair damage suffered in a fall. Please hold her in your prayers.

**A Conversation with ... Lois Morgan** by Leslie Berger

I found Lois Morgan separating twenty years of clippings, photos and cards to place in the appropriate albums, a task which she knows will take considerable time!

Originally from Louisville, Lois met her husband, Jim, at the University of Kentucky. After their marriage, Jim embarked on a twenty year Army career in the Signal Corps. They lived in seven states, Germany and Japan throughout his career, during which Lois learned to make a

home for the family in one room! She states that Germany was her favorite assignment although during the Berlin wall crisis she and her small children returned home for six months. Jim's last tour was in Viet Nam, after which he retired in 1971. The Morgans moved to Metcalf County, Ky, where Lois was an elementary school teacher and Jim an organic farmer and the children's chauffer.

Lois retired in 1989 and, at that point, they decided to move to Berea because their daughter lived in Richmond. As it

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# **LIVING THE VISION – Our Mission Statement**

**adopted on September 20, 2009**

We, the People of Union Church, seek to live out our discipleship to God as a community inspired by Jesus' transforming love. As a gathering of those seeking to boldly and creatively embody Christ's life and ministry, we commit ourselves to work and fellowship that makes the radical and inclusive love of God, the beloved community proclaimed by Jesus, and the continuing inspiration of the Holy Spirit visible and real to all. As one in body with Christ, we commit ourselves to acts of passionate worship, extravagant generosity and care in our stewardship, risk-taking mission and service, unbounded hospitality to build a beloved community of Christ, and thoughtful, intentional, and inspirational faith development.

## **PASSIONATE WORSHIP**

We will boldly and creatively embody the life and ministry of Jesus with passionate worship that celebrates the transforming love of God. In every setting where we meet we will proclaim God's inclusive care and prophetic witness, empowering all persons to worship with joy and develop a deeper closeness to God in a ministry of all believers. We will offer our widely varying gifts of prayer, music, dance, drama, visual art, the spoken word, and the beauty of our actions to inspire those of every generation to follow in God's way.

## **EXTRAVAGANT GENEROSITY AND CARE IN OUR STEWARDSHIP**

We will boldly and creatively embody the life and ministry of Jesus with extravagant generosity and care in the stewardship of the gifts we have been given. We will offer and organize our time, talent, and treasure in loving service and outreach with useful facilities and supported staff and programs, striving always to be agents of God's inclusive love. With care and diligence we will seek the well-being of our community, of all of our volunteers and staff, and of God's earth in all that we undertake alone and together.

## **RISK-TAKING MISSION AND SERVICE**

We will boldly and creatively embody the life and ministry of Jesus with risk-taking mission and service. As disciples of Christ, we will reach out to the world to love, heal, and transform it through the difficult work of justice, reconciliation, and hope. We commit to using our staff, our building, and our selves for servant leadership in our sphere of influence, and we commit to the spiritual and educational support that will make us effective and joyful agents of God's grace.

## **UNBOUNDED HOSPITALITY TO BUILD A BELOVED COMMUNITY OF CHRIST**

We will boldly and creatively embody the life and ministry of Jesus by offering the radical hospitality of Christ in all we do and in the fellowship we share. We will seek unity in building a loving community amongst the gifts of differing traditions, opinions, and views. We will listen carefully and prayerfully. We will stand with one another as bearers of Christ's light in times of trial and rejoicing. As a body of Christ we will actively and intentionally reach beyond the walls that separate us, persuaded that "God has made of one blood all peoples of the earth."

## **THOUGHTFUL INTENTIONAL AND INSPIRATIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT**

## From Wyndee Holbrook, CE Director

### Accountability

Knowing the importance of being accountable to all of you, I want to first tell you what a joy it is to serve along side the CE Board. Rally Day Fun Fair provided a great opportunity for Union Church to come together and share interests and opportunities. Many, many thanks to the many faithful workers who put the "FUN" in our Fun Fair! Though the day was GREAT, the real success of the event will be measured by the growth we see in our various programs and ultimately by increased spiritual development. As a new church member, I chose to sign up for the Small Group Action Team related to the Vision Statement. Jump up and Join in!

I readily learned on Rally Day that there are great ideas and suggestions bubbling among you. The Adult Christian Education Surveys are still available and will offer the CE Board insights to your needs. Likewise, several of you have approached me with ideas you see as good options for Union Church. Knowing my position is basically 10 hours per week, I will commit to keeping a file of your ideas. Therefore if additional staff is added in the future, your thoughts will be available and shared.

In this attempt at accountability I want to share with you the priorities the CE Board has given me. The urgent and important area is Children's ministry, and as more workers step forward, I could

attend to other areas. However, currently I am directing my quarter time efforts to the four weekly children's ministry programs. I am coordinating and teaching Children's Sunday School, developing curriculum for Children's Worship, Monks - Spiritual Investigators and Wednesday Night Live as well as directly leading in the latter two. The work is meaningful, exciting and will certainly fill 10 + hours per week.

Thank you for the opportunity to join you in serving through the vital work of faith development.

Blessings, Wyndee



Dear Union Church congregation member,

The Mission Board selects, coordinates, and promotes the church's local, national and international involvement in mission giving in concert with the Board of Trustees and pastoral leadership. You may know of mission opportunities that are worthy of monetary gifts and gifts of other kinds (time, talents, publicity) and we invite you to share your suggestions. The Mission Board seeks information about potential recipient organizations or groups to assist in the process of discerning and prioritizing mission projects.

If you would like to forward a suggestion for consideration, please supply relevant information about the organization or submit publicity information from the organization to the Mission Board box in the church office. Describe any connection or personal experience that you may have with the organization that you think helpful. Include your name and contact information in

## From the Mission Board

case the Mission Board members have questions or need more information. Please submit suggestions by October 1.

If you have questions about this process, please contact one of the Mission Board chairpersons, Doug Hindman or Teri Mehler. Thank you for considering this request. We hope to continue to have a dynamic and effective outreach effort through Union Church that reflects a shared vision of caring.

With thanks for your support. From the members of the Union Church Mission Board,

Sally Zimmerman, Demetrius Semien, Dolores Carpenter, Annriette Stolte, Teri Mehler, Doug Hindman, Katie Basham, Judy Rowell, Gina Chamberlain

## Deacons' Report

Regarding visitors: the Membership Committee sends cards, calls or emails to welcome them.

There are many who are in need of prayers, cards, etc., and we are trying to address that but anyone can send a card or make a visit—I am sure it would be welcomed.

Joy Frazier

The Board of Deacons met in September with several members absent, but a lot was accomplished!

We discussed the 9-27 John G. Fee service, which is an outdoor service, weather permitting. A light lunch on the grounds follows.

We hope to have the video situation ironed out before long. If anyone wants to help please inform Debbie Brown.

## Bible Reading for October

### October 4

Job 1:1, 2:1-10

Psalm 26

Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16

### October 11

Job 23:1-9, 16-17

Psalm 22:1-15

Hebrews 4:12-16

Mark 10:17-31

### October 18

Job 38:1-7, 34-41

Psalm 104:1-9, 24,  
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Hebrews 5:1-10

Mark 10:35-45

### October 25

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Psalm 34:1-8, 19-22

Hebrews 7:23-28

Mark 10:46-52



## Serving as Worship Leaders in October

Oct. 4 Doug Hindman

Oct. 11 Bob Berger

Oct. 18 Michelle Tooley

Oct. 25 John Culp

Call Jenny Bromley at 623-5007 if you'd like to be worship leader or bring flowers.

## Trustees' Report

The Board of Trustees met Sept. 15th. We received an uplifting report on the revenue generated by Building Use fees and plate offerings, although pledge giving is down a bit. Various other financial items were reviewed. John Payne had our broken washing machine replaced using a reclaimed model, which is working satisfactorily.

The front railings have been repaired and Jeff Farmer, who did the work, estimated that these were original to the building. Gail Wolford is chairing the Stewardship Campaign and gave a report on those upcoming activities. Her report follows. The Board will meet next on October 13.

Leslie Berger, chair

### Stewardship Campaign

"Into the Future", the 2009 stewardship campaign, is just around the corner. During the month of



October, the Trustees' Stewardship Committee will be communicating with members and friends in solicitation of gifts of time and talent, and financial support to provide for the annual budget. Trustees, Reverend Kent, and members of the Union Church family have planned a program of mailings and services weaving together the elements of our new

statement of mission. These activities will culminate, on November 1, in a service of "passionate worship" where we will offer our pledges together. Trustees encourage you to look for these announcements and prayerfully consider gifts of support to continue the transformational work of Union Church through "extravagant generosity and care in your stewardship" for the coming year and "Into the Future."

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happened, Vicki's husband was transferred to Somerset shortly after the Morgans' move. Lois and Jim liked Berea and chose to remain here.

In 1990 they decided to find a church home and planned a visit to churches in the area. Union Church was the first and last church they visited! They felt completely at home and never went to visit another church. Over the years they both were very involved with church Boards, Committees and activities. Lois states that her happiest time was

when Union Church committed to build a Habitat for Humanity house in 2004. The church had to raise \$40,000 for the project, and did so within fifteen months. The house was begun in October, 2005, and completed by Christmas of that year. They also chaired the church bazaar, with which Lois is still actively involved.

Lois is a very active lady and volunteers at St. Joseph Berea, and is a friend of the library board, which has a book sale each February to support programs at the

library. AAUW and Berea Womens Club also count Lois as a member.

With the strong support of her family - which includes eight grandchildren, including one who will be the third generation to graduate from the University of Kentucky - Lois cared for Jim during his illness which preceded his death in 2007. She strongly feels that the support of her church family during, and since, that time, has been an added blessing to her membership in Union Church.

# October, 2009

Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

Regular Sunday Schedule						
9:30 am—Christian Education for all ages 10:30 am—Morning Worship 4:00 pm—ShapeNote Singers, 1st & 3rd Sundays						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Chrissy Cataldo's ordination in Tennessee	7:00 pm—AA Big Book Study, Dialog Center	7:00 pm—Memory Keepers 7:00 pm—Boy Scouts	7 Wednesday Nite Live See schedule on back page	10:30 am—Mothers Forum, 204 12:00 pm - Bible Study 6:15 pm—Choir	9:00 am—Woman's Industrial	10 BAZAAR! See p. 1
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	6:30 pm—Finance 7:00 pm—Mission 7:00 pm—AA Big Book Study, Dialog Center	4:00 pm—PRC 6:00 pm—CE Board 6:30 pm—Trustees 7:00 pm—Boy Scouts 7:30 pm—Deacons	14 Wednesday Nite Live	10:30 am—Mothers Forum, 204 12:00 pm - Bible Study 6:15 pm—Choir	9:00 am—Woman's Industrial	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9:00—10:15 am—Traditional Music Festival wraps up with a hymn sing in the sanctuary	7:00 pm—Gen. Com. 7:00 pm—AA Big Book Study, Dialog Center	7:00 pm—Memory Keepers 7:00 pm—Boy Scouts	21 Wednesday Nite Live	10:30 am—Mothers Forum, 204 12:00 pm - Bible Study 6:15 pm—Choir	9:00 am—Woman's Industrial	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Mark Pettis' ordination in California	7:00 pm—AA Big Book Study, Dialog Center	7:00 pm—Boy Scouts	28 Wednesday Nite Live	10:30 am—Mothers Forum, 204 12:00 pm - Bible Study 6:15 pm—Choir	9:00 am—Woman's Industrial	

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### Regular Wednesday Nite Live! Schedule

5:00 pm—Middle School Youth Group

5:45 pm—Supper (donation)

6:15 pm—Senior High Youth Group

6:30 pm—Study on the Book of Acts, led by Bob Berger, 204

6:30 pm—Activities for Elementary aged kids, 104

6:30 pm—College Fellowship, led by Rev. Kent, Com. Rm.

7:00 pm—Bell Choir, 3rd Floor Choir Room

**Both our Youth Groups meet on Wednesdays Call Deborah Payne at 353-7577 if you would like more information or if you have a young friend or neighbor she might invite!**



### Wednesday Nite Live Needs a Few Good Folks

General Committee is looking for a few volunteers to take on the responsibility for the dinner portion of Wednesday Nite Live. That doesn't mean you need to cook the meals every week yourselves, but you will make sure that someone is signed up for each week, or recruit folks as needed. You will be the WNL Meals Team.

The CE Board will continue to plan the programming for WNL, and Shirley Carlberg of the Kitchen Committee will be available to help cooks with recipes for groups, with finding things in the kitchen, and replacing staples.

Please contact Joan in the church office or e-mail Betty Hibler at [betty\\_hibler@berea.edu](mailto:betty_hibler@berea.edu) if you can join the WNL Meals Team, or if you have questions. Thank you.