Making Healthcare Choices: Advance Directives (Healthcare Power of Attorney and Living Will)

Sunday, February 23 4:15 – 5:45  Room 312

Are you prepared?

- Have you thought through your own healthcare wishes? What if you are unable to make decisions for yourself?
- What if you are asked to make a decision for an incapacitated loved one?
- It is important at any stage of life to communicate with our loved ones about how you would like your healthcare handled in the event you are not able to make those decisions.

Marilyn Morenz and Susan Mobley will be presenting Advance Directive (Healthcare Power of Attorney and Living Will) and Health Care Choices. Marilyn has worked with Hospice and Palliative Care and is committed to educating the public about how to make choices for end of life care.

Google Meeting:

Meeting ID: 987654321
Passcode: 123456

Accessing the meeting:

URL: https://meet.google.com/987654321

Prayers of Concern

- Doris Ussery
- Jeannie Bickett
- Ken Bickett
- Jimmy Rea
- Karen Eklund
- Millie Williams
- Bill Stroup
- Tommy Hardwick
- Oskar Kinsey (newborn son of David and Jody Kinsey)
- Marty O’Shea
- Millie Williams

Please continue to remember those with special needs.

Mother*Daughter*Sister*Friend

Tickets will be sold this Sunday, February 23, only in the Hospitality Room M201 on the Sunday School Hall between the worship services. Seating is limited and tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis. All seats will be assigned, and we will happily accept seating requests upon the purchase of your tickets. Tickets are $10.00 for adults & $5.00 for children age 10 and under. Childcare is available for children age 3 and under. If you have any questions, please contact Kym Schneider at kymschneider79@gmail.com 704.996.5375 or Doris Dunn at drdunn@comporium.net 803.548.0004.

Please join us at the Presbyterian Women’s Annual MDSF Luncheon on Sunday, March 16, 2014, in the Fellowship Hall following the 11:00 am Worship Service. This year the theme ‘Hats Off!’ will be a celebration of all the hats women wear throughout our lives. Our charity focus will support women in military with a ‘Hats Off!’ to Heroes segment that will include an inspirational message from Ashleigh Sheets, a member of Unity that is currently serving active-duty with our Military and has recently returned from deployment. A special collection of items, such as toiletries, healthy snacks (not homemade), and new or gently used books/DVDs (non-explicit), etc. will be collected to help support our troops. Lists of items will be given to registrants when making a reservation and/or attached to the drop boxes. Donation drop boxes can be found in the Narthex, Fellowship Hall, and outside the Church Office from February 23 – March 30.

LUNCH BUNCH

February 24, 2014—Queen Esther, a heroine of the Bible, will be with us and present our program. This will be a special presentation about a woman who was courageous and saved her people. Esther will be portrayed by Jan Rosser. Jan is an elder at Sardis Presbyterian Church in Charlotte, NC. She is a Bible moderator for her circle and teaches a Sunday School class. Join us for lunch at 12 noon. Bring your own sandwich. Chips, beverages and desserts will be provided.

WELCOME TO UNITY

We want to invite anyone who is interested in learning more about Unity to a “Welcome to Unity” get-together on Sunday morning, March 9. This is an informal gathering at 10:00 AM, during which we will have coffee, share some basic information about the congregation, and answer any questions you may have. This should last about 30-40 minutes. Children are welcome to come with their parents or to attend Sunday School. “Welcome to Unity” will take place in Room M201 (Hospitality Room) in the Ministries Building. Room M201 is on your left as you follow the hall from the Sanctuary Narthex to the Ministries Building. We hope to see you there!
What’s Happening in Christian Education?

Lent begins March 5th with Ash Wednesday. Look for Lenten devotionals for all ages in the Narthex and Sunday school rooms.

**CHILDREN**

Get ready to explore and experience how the ordinary becomes extraordinary with God at the Workshop of Wonders Vacation Bible School!

**FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**Sunday Night Live**

**Saturday, February 23**

**Children:**
Regular programming for all ages.

**Youth:** See Youth information at left.

**Adults:**

4:15 Adult options:
Expressing Prayer (45 min) – Making Crosses

“Parenting in the Pew” (90 min) – Chapters 5 & 6

Making Healthcare Choices: Advance Directives (90 min) – Information about Healthcare Power of Attorney and Living Wills

5:00 Adult options:
Lectionary Coffeehouse Conversations (45 min) – Matthew 5:13-20

“Let’s Get off our Donkey” (45 min) – Making Bat Boxes

6:30 Adult options:
“Just Neighbors” (75 min) – “What would you choose?” - stresses and struggles of life below the poverty line


Registration for Adult options is not necessary this semester.

See SNL brochure, individual class flyers and/or church website for more details.

**March 2nd**

At Table with Jesus – a six week Lenten Bible study – Room M312 from 4:15-5:45

**YOUTH**

**Middle School:**

*February 23rd* - Regular meeting- “You Are Here”

*March 2nd* - No group meeting. We will have individual grade/dinner meetings with host families for 6,7,8 grades- more information to come.

**Confirmation:** All confirmands and their sponsors are reminded of the Confirmation Luncheon on Sunday, February 23 in the Fellowship Hall at noon. Confirmands will work with their sponsors to begin writing their faith statements.

**Upcoming Events:**

Mission trip to Asheville- July 20-25 approximate cost $200 - A few slots still available. Contact Bob Martin ASAP if your child would like to attend.

**High School:**

*February 23rd* - Regular meeting- “Life”

*March 2nd* - Regular meeting- “Bodies”

**Upcoming Events:**

Montreat Youth Conference - July 6-12 approximate cost $260

Nonrefundable $100 deposit due February 10

Mission Trip to Asheville- July 20-25 approximate cost $200 - A few slots still available. Contact Bob Martin ASAP if your child would like to attend.

**ADULT**

**FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**Sunday School Class:**

“The Way: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus”

2/23- “Sinners, Outcasts and the Poor” John 4:3-10; 3/2- The Final Week - Mark 2/23 and 3/2- World Religion

**Journey Sunday School Class (U319):**

Year-long study of Romans

2/23 and 3/2- Sabbath in the Suburbs

**Upper Room Sunday School Class (U321):**


Continuing Long-Term Prayers of Concern

- Libby Kern
- Buddy Culp
- Mary Millikin
- Ben Rogers
- Dot Hollis
- Jessie Little
- Jane Godfrey
- Molly Coggins
- Ira and Doris Ussery
- Mott Hutchison
- Betty Miller
- Karen Eklund

SANCTUARY DEBT BALANCE………………$2,438,000

2014 Spring Connections Class
Are you new to Unity? Visiting with us in worship? Please consider coming to our next Connections Class. The Connections Class is designed for people new to our church who may be considering becoming members. This class will provide information about the congregation, what it means to be a Presbyterian, opportunities for involvement, how to become a member, and other topics of interest and importance. It will also provide a great opportunity for you to meet some of the church staff and other church members. The Connections Class will be offered on Sunday mornings during the church school hour (10:00 - 10:40 am) in room M312. The dates for this class are:

- Sunday, March 16
- Sunday, March 23
- Sunday, March 30
- Sunday, April 6

If you are interested in the Connections Class or have questions about it, please contact Jeannie Bickett, at 547-5543 or pibickett@unityfortmill.org.

Worship Bags - Have you accidentally taken a Worship Bag home? Several of our worship bags are missing. Please check your car and home and return any that have left the building with you. Thank you!

Volunteers Needed to reset Worship bags. This can be done on Sundays after the 11:00 service, or anytime during the week. This job takes no more than 20-30 minutes and would be great as a parent/child project. If this is a way you can serve, please contact Kathryn McGregor at kmcgregor@unityfortmill.org or 547-5543.

Women's Retreat 2014 - All women of the church are invited to attend the 2014 Women's Retreat. This year, we will gather in the mountains at the beautiful Bonclarken Conference Center in Flat Rock, NC. from October 24-26 for a time of fun, fellowship, and spiritual growth.

Newsletter Publication
Deadline: Thursday, February 28 at 6 pm for Issue date: March 6. Please submit information to:
Gina Mitchell:
newsletter@unityfortmill.org

From the Financial Office: February 15th Auto-draft – Due to last week's weather and Monday’s bank holiday, the February 15th auto-drafts will hit accounts on the 20th.

BIRTHDAYS AT UNITY
February

23- Ted Matthews
24- Beth Frattaroli, Cole Hunter, Jessica Martin, Samuel Mummey
25- Isabella Cardozo, Ella Gaither, David Jennings, Beth Reigel
26- Michael Clark, Lyn Costello, Lois Edwards
27- Mary Millikin, Rachel Petagna, Smith Pope
28- Jacob Couchenour, Michael Hill, Alan Strosaker
29- Madelyn Prickett, Hannah Marie Rozier

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February 20, 2014

Dear Friends,

On Sunday, February 23rd, we will observe Blankets+ Sunday at Unity in our morning worship services. Blankets+ is a special mission opportunity for all ages. Some 8,000 congregations and groups across the U.S. hold CWS Blankets+ events, providing funds to help people in need around the world. Our donations help to make the following gifts possible:

- Blankets, tents, food and other emergency supplies in the wake of a disaster
- Tools and seeds for refugees returning home to replant their fields
- Wells for families living in drought prone areas to provide clean, safe water to drink and to irrigate crops and gardens
- Literacy training and microcredit for women struggling to realize their potential.

In Christ’s Service,

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