

This Week at Union Church

Sun. Aug. 15	10:30 am	Morning Worship
Mon. Aug. 16	8:00 am	Zen Meditation, Cowan Chapel
	7:00 pm	AA Bottom Line Big Book study, Dialog Center
Tues. Aug. 17	<i>Consider deadline</i>	
	8:00 am	Zen Meditation, Cowan Chapel
	7:00 pm	Memory Keepers
Thurs. Aug. 19	8:00 am	Zen Meditation, Cowan Chapel
	10:30 am	Mothers Forum
	12:00 pm	Bible Study
Fri. Aug. 20	8:00 am	Zen Meditation, Cowan Chapel
	9:00 am	Woman's Industrial
Sun. Aug. 22	9:15—10:15 am	Rally Day!! Community Room
	10:30 am	Morning worship

Especially in our prayers ...

Each week we join millions of Christians who pray for one another through the ecumenical prayer cycle and, locally, the Berea Ministerial Association's prayer cycle. Please keep the people of **the Pacific Islands** and our brothers and sisters at **Bearwallow Pentecostal Holiness Church** in your hearts, and pray for them. Please also hold these concerns in your prayers today and throughout the week.

- ◆ All who are serving or living in harm's way across the world, especially those suffering in the violence in the Middle East. We pray for the day when war shall be no more.
- ◆ **Les Kovacs, Debonnaire** and all the family as his dementia worsens
- ◆ **Martha Pride**, at Berea Health Care Center
- ◆ **Nancy Rosser Hutchins**, at home with her family in Sebastopol, CA, under hospice care
- ◆ **Jean Huffman**
- ◆ **Linda LeForce**, twins Karmen & DeLaney, their sister Brielle and their mom Sherry LeMaster
- ◆ **Betty Wray**, recovering at her summer home in Wisconsin. Her address is 4087 Flannery Lake Rd., Rhineland, 54504
- ◆ **Tom Frazier**, at St. Joseph Lexington, and **Joy**
- ◆ **Dave and Josa Harl**, 628 W. Main St., Lexington, 40508 who are hosting Joy Frazier
- ◆ **Shirley Dean**

Assisting in Worship This Week

Worship Leader this morning is Ben Neal. **Next week:** Joe Spencer.

Many Thanks to Ryan Shirar for playing the organ today

Announcements

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 and share in its joyful work. If you'd like to formally join Union Church, please see Rev. Kent or call the church office.

Please remember: Church Council will not meet on Monday, August 16, due to the Carillon Concert. Church Council will meet on Monday, August 30, at 7:00 p.m.

An Announcement about Announcements: in an effort to reduce the length of the spoken announcement time during service, the Worship Board reminds everyone that announcements are best understood & remembered when printed in the bulletin. You can phone them into the office at 986-3725 or email them to office@union-church.org by Thursday noon. Thanks!

Faith Development News: Join us **NEXT SUNDAY, Aug. 22, from 9:15-10:15** for "*Under the Big Top*" **Rally Day!** If your ministry or board would like to have space for a representative with a sign-up sheet please contact Wyndee at wholbrook@union-church.org.

In an effort to reach more children and youth, the Faith Development Board is trying something new and different this fall. **No longer will there be Sunday School for preschool - high school, or ages 3 -18**, instead we will offer **Second Sunday Bible Club**. If you heard about the fun and learning at Vacation Bible School, then know Second Sunday will be equally exciting.

An introductory mini session will be offered for children and parents following the worship service on **Sunday August 29**. Starting on September 12 music, learning and fun will begin with a light meal after the service and the program will end at 2:30, followed by 30 minutes of supervised playground time.

Many volunteers will be needed to make Second Sundays a success, join us for one session or the year!

Areas of service: Kitchen, Storytelling, and teaching/ craft assistants for the following age groups: preschool, elementary, middle school and high school

Berea Celtic Festival August 20-22! The Festival will begin Friday evening, with music and dance events around town. Union Church is a Dublin Partner in this event. On August 22, Jennifer Balcom, harpist will play at worship.

Next week we will bid farewell to Ann and Bill Thomasson, who will move to Tennessee. Formally part of the church family since 2002, we have known and loved Ann & Bill, Dorothy Chao's parents and grandparents to Andy, Corey and Mandie, for many years. Best of health and happiness from your Union Church family!

Madison County Home Energy Improvement Program is having a House Party on Thursday, Aug. 19th from 5-8:00 pm, at 108 High St. (Gina Chamberlain's home) All are welcome to learn about our new energy efficiency programs and for a demo Home Energy Audit at 8:00 pm. One free audit will be given away in a drawing of those who attend and all donations will be have a 50% match.

First Christian Church extends a special invitation to our friends at Union Church to attend the opening service of worship and dedication in our new church building. On Sunday, August 29 at 3:00 p.m., we will gather in Fellowship Hall, where we currently worship, in order to bring closure to this stage in our journey and then process to the new building. We hope that you will be present to share in this with us.

Special Fifth Sunday worship service on August 29th! Rev. Kent and Andy Blyth will bring us the Word in poetry, music, readings and scripture. Don't miss it!

If you are interested in the Back Bay Mission trip to Biloxi Ms. on October 24-30 please call Gerald Catron at 859-626-9741 or e mail mountainrivers@yahoo.com. Volunteer opportunities include rehabbing houses, food bank, soup kitchen or working in the office. I have 4 spots available bringing our total number to 15.

The Worship Board is seeking volunteers to assist the Board with Sunday activities such as ushering, taking up offering, greeting, or Communion Service. If interested, please speak to a member of the Board: Jenny Bromley, Carla Gilbert or Bob Boyce.

DATE SET! The Church Bazaar is October 9! 100% of the money raised benefits service projects here in Berea, around our state, and across the world. We need volunteers to help sort and price prior to our sale in October - just around the corner - and we need all hands on deck to help display and sell our wares. Household items (not electronics), art, plants, collectibles, books, furniture, and items of distinction suitable for silent auction are all needed and can be brought to the church starting **RIGHT NOW**. Volunteers are encouraged to sign up at the Service Board in the sanctuary or to contact John Payne (our Bazaar Czar) at 986-8100. Thanks! With your help we can extend the reach of God's love.