



Dear Friends!

Elsewhere in this newsletter, we are publishing the poem, "A DAY IN JUNE". I just found it on the internet. Actually, it is part of a larger poem that was written by James Russell Lowell (1819-1891) who was a contemporary of Longfellow, Whittier, Holmes and other well-known philosopher-poets of the period. I had to learn this part of the poem in 9th grade and still find that it is a very genuine, positive, realistic description of our world! We are told that Charles Fillmore, Co-Founder of Unity, was so impressed with Lowell's works that he named one of his sons after him.

To me, friends, this poem describes for us the magnificence of LIFE that is available to all of us this June. It is much more than we could ever imagine! Not only in June, this magnificent life actually is available to us all year, but, to me, it appears that it is easier to see the goodness of the universe this month because

everything is blossoming and the earth is aglow in abundant colors.

June is also the month when Unity celebrates "Behold Beauty Everywhere" as part of our Year of Abundant Living. For us in the upper Midwest, it doesn't take much imagination to do this, for there is beauty everywhere that we go! I suggest that you take this thought upon awakening and carry it with you throughout every day of this amazing month.

This IS a beautiful universe and we are becoming more and more and more aware of this as we grow spiritually.

This brings me to the Power for the month of June, which is, of all things, IMAGINATION!! Charles Fillmore, Co-Founder of Unity defines Imagination as, "the faculty of mind that images and forms, the power to shape and form thought." He further tells us that "with our imagination we take hold of ideas and clothe them with substance." And further tells us that what we picture and imagine in our minds will eventually appear in our lives! And, it was Einstein who said, "Imagination is more important than knowledge." Imagination is the activity which precedes all the inventions and modern improvements that we see in our world today!

As we use our imaginations to see ourselves as alive, alert, awake, joyous and enthusiastic about life, these characteristics will appear! This is because imagination is not an activity of "pretend creation" as I picked up when I was a youngster, but it is a means of awakening to the Truth that God has for us to experience!

A good affirmation to use for developing our Power of Imagination might be:

THROUGH THE POWER OF THE CHRIST WITHIN ME, I SEE MYSELF AS GOD SEES ME,
HAPPY, HEALTHY, PROSPEROUS AND SUCCESSFUL!!
THANK YOU, GOD!!

GOD IS BLESSING YOU ALL RIGHT NOW AND SO AM !!!

Rev. Dean

STATEMENT OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Dear Friends:

I recently received an e-mail from one of our members who said that we hadn't accomplished very much in recent years. Below is a copy of my reply to her.

Sincerely,

Pat McLaughlin, Board President

Thank you for sharing your thoughts and feelings with me. Perhaps it is because I am closer to the activities that are being accomplished at our church, I feel completely different.

Some of the changes which have occurred in the past year or so are:

1. The welcoming of new members Pam Kaufman, Blanche Jacobs, Holly Johnson, Yolanda DeLap, and Patricia Mooney.
2. The addition of multimedia to improve the quality of our Sunday Services.
3. The improvements to our Web site that show all of the great activities that are happening at Unity; the Web site also allow members who have moved away to keep track of and participate in Unity activities from afar.
4. The establishment of the Prayer Chaplain Program and the commitment of five extraordinary people-- to serve and support the spiritual growth of the members of our congregation.
5. The enlightening classes taught by Alice Rice, including Spiritual Economics, The Creative Process, Meditation Practices, and Life of Prayer.
6. Inspiring messages by Rev. Dean every Sunday that teach us about the Unity Principles and how to apply them to our daily life. Rev. Dean's messages usually contain a bibliography for further reading, which are helpful for follow-up study. Thanks to Alice Rice, most of these books are now available in the Lending Library, free of charge.
7. The 40-Day Prosperity Programs, which are teaching us how to prosper ourselves and our church.
8. The wonderful Easter cantata that provided such beautiful music for our Easter service, which was well appreciated by all who attended.
9. The establishment of our choir, which has been a welcome improvement to our Music Ministry. They have also introduced a lot of wonderful new music and hymns for us to sing, and we have blessed by several top quality soloists.
10. The success of our Rebuilding Quad Cities community outreach program, which provided homemade lunches for 25 workers on April 30.
11. The establishment of our Labyrinth Team, which recently rented our canvas labyrinth to support Lenten activities for Cross of Life Lutheran Church in Brookfield, WI.
12. The establishment of the Social Team, which has been organizing all sorts of fun activities for the adults of Unity to enjoy together, such as concerts, dances, theater performances, and the ever-popular Lunch Bunch.
13. The establishment of a monthly reporting system that helps the board members keep better track of ministry and team goals and accomplishments in relation to the Strategic Plan.
14. The restructuring of our ministries and teams that allows for better coordination of efforts by the board members who oversee their functions.
15. The dedicated efforts of our Green Team to help Unity of the Quad Cities reduce, reuse, and recycle.
16. The planting of several trees and shrubs to beautify our churchyard.
17. The establishment of the Unity Garden, which has just been tilled for the 2011 planting season.
18. The receipt of more than **5,000** prayer requests during the 2010 calendar year.
19. Six pints of blood donated by Unity members to give the gift of life to our Quad-City neighbors.
20. A successful Annual Yard Sale that recirculated lots of stuff to good homes and involved the participation of 19 enthusiastic volunteers.
21. The massive decluttering of the classroom, meditation/nursery room, utility room, and kitchen to improve the flow of chi throughout the building; the classroom, meditation room and bathrooms were also repainted to enhance their aesthetics and usability.
22. The many ways in which our friends in faith have supported our members through conversations, phone calls, prayers, visitations, transportation, and so forth--because we love and desire the best for all.

I could go on and on, but this list of lavish good might help you see some of the "real changes" that have been happening through Unity of the Quad Cities during the past year. These activities have made a positive difference in many peoples' lives. (At least 5,000 have benefited from our prayer support alone!) I hope that you can see how Unity has made some positive and real changes in your life, too.

We are here to help you stay focused on the things that you want for your life and redirect your attention away from the things that you don't want. The more you seek out the companionship of your friends in faith at Unity, the more we will be able to help you manifest the good that you seek for your life.

We truly do love, bless, and appreciate you and hope to see more of you in the future.
Lots of love and blessings, Pat

A DAY IN JUNE

And what is so rare as a day in June?
Then, if ever, come perfect days;
Then Heaven tries the earth if it be in tune,
And over it softly her warm ear lays:
Whether we look, or whether we listen,
We hear life murmur, or see it glisten;
Every clod feels a stir of might,
An instinct within it that reaches and towers,
And, grasping blindly above it for light,
Climbs to a soul in grass and flowers;
The flush of life may well be seen
Thrilling back over hills and valleys;
The cowslip startles in meadows green,
The buttercup catches the sun in its chalice,
And there 's never a leaf or a blade too mean
To be some happy creature's palace;
The little bird sits at his door in the sun,
A tilt like a blossom among the leaves,
And lets his illumined being o'errun
With the deluge of summer it receives;
His mate feels the eggs beneath her wings,
And the heart in her dumb breast flutters and
sings;
He sings to the wide world, she to her nest,
To the nice ear of nature, which song is the
best?
James Russell Lowell (1819-1891)

PLANNED SOCIAL/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

1. JUNE 10 JUNE GAME NIGHT 6:30 until 8 PM. Scrabble, Monopoly, etc. Also, Some of us are going to the Coupe DeVille Dance at the Col Ballroom. 7 PM and \$12 We thin that tickets will be available at Hy Vee stores.
2. JUNE 18 We have an opportunity to serve ice cream for the Rebuilding Together Ice Cream Social at the Summer Concert in Lincoln Park on the evening of June 18. All that we need to do is to show up and help serve the ice cream. Please see or call Carol Treible 309-764-0198. **ON THIS DAY, WE ALSO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE A BOOTH AT THE RADISH FESTIVAL** from 8-3 at the Freight House in Davenport with the Healing Hearts Center. We will be handing out Unity literature and promoting our upcoming Health Fair. We will ask for volunteers to help run our booth on 2 or 3 hour shifts. **Sign-up sheets will be passéd around at Sunday services or you can call us to volunteer.**
3. JUNE 25 Several of us went to the Comedy Sportz in May and had a GREAT time!! This is good clean family fun and we are thinking about going back on June 25. If you wish to join us, please call Rev. Dean. They have over two hours of good, clean family fun. It is \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. They had a full house when we went, so we would like to order the tickets by Monday June 20. 309-762-1066.

You're Invited!

*Because you have shared in our lives
by your friendship and love, we
Patricia Elizabeth Hepner
and
Patricia Nannette McLaughlin
invite our Unity friends to share
the beginning of our new life together
when we exchange marriage vows
on Saturday, the ninth of July
two thousand and eleven
at three o'clock in the afternoon
Unity of the Quad Cities
5102 47th Avenue
Moline, Illinois
Cake Reception to follow.*

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

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| Tami Gottwalt | June 6 |
| Rosalee Nord | June 20 |
| Melissa Sadler | June 21 |
| Joyce Strickland | June 30 |
| T Walz | June 16 |
| Ron Williams | June 14 |

UNITY NEWS & EVENTS

HEALING ARTS

We are continuing to invite healing arts professionals to speak to the congregation after church on Sundays when time is available. If you or someone you know would like to share their specialty, please let us know. At this point we have one speaker reserved for Sunday, June 6.

We are also in the process of setting up a Healing Arts Symposium to be held at our church sometime in the future. Anyone who wishes to help us in the planning for this or to participate is welcome to contact Holly Johnson at 309-912-8110 or Rev. Dean at 309-762-1066.

In June, we will be holding an Open Discussion on Unity Principles from 9:45 until 10:15 AM on the 1st and third Sundays. You are welcome to join us. Alice Rice is the facilitator.

Sunday Morning Meditation Our Sunday Meditation program will meet in May on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month from 9:45 until 10:15. No experience in meditation or ongoing commitment is required to participate. Those who wish to lead one or more of the sessions are welcome to contact me. Everyone is welcome!

Alice Rice, Coordinator

UNITY DRUM CIRCLE

Our DRUM CIRCLE is looking for participants and a leader. We plan to meet whenever it is convenient for our participants. All friends and members of Unity are invited to join us. It is GREAT fun!! You are welcome to bring any drum or other percussion instruments and join us! Please help pass the word! And join us! Call the church at 309-762-1066.

PAT McLAUGHLIN TO LEAD A PROSPERITY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Pat McLaughlin is starting a Prosperity Book Discussion Group for all members and friends of our church!! It will meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 until 8 PM starting on June 1. We will be using the book, "THE MILLIONAIRES FROM GENESIS" By Catherine Ponder. Please pass the word and plan to join us!! Books will be in by next Sunday the price is \$12.00 each.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR UNITY BOOTH AT THE RADISH FESTIVAL

We are going to share a booth at the Radish Festival on Sat. June 18 from 8-3 at the Freight House in Davenport with the Healing Hearts Center. We will want some volunteers to help run the booth. A sign-up sheet will be passed around as the time comes nearer. Please watch for details!!

**HELP WANTED
WITH PACKING AND MOVING**
Please call Patricia Mooney
563-322-1617

NEW MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Helen Shoulders has volunteered to help complete our Membership Directory. She will be sending an e-mail or a letter by regular mail to each person on our list to see if they want to be included and to make sure that we have the right information. When you are contacted by Helen, we would appreciate a prompt response.

**BLESSINGS,
REV. DEAN**

Yard Sale Team

The Yard Sale Team is now looking for volunteers and yard sale donations. Please see Pat McLaughlin for more information.

PRAYER CHAPLAIN MINISTRY IS NOW OPERATIONAL!!

Our Prayer Chaplain Team is now operational!! They are setting up to do Wellness Calls for each member of the church each month and will have at least one chaplain at each Sunday service to pray with any person who wants to benefit from this after church. People who want to pray with a chaplain are welcome to come to the front of the sanctuary after the service and look for a person who is wearing a chaplain name tag.

General Information and Business

Newsletter Information

Editor in Chief: Rev. Dean Van Wie-(309) 762-1066
Assistant Editor Alice Rice, LUT

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Next deadline for submissions:
July 15, 2011

Submission Guidelines:

Please e-mail information on or before the deadline to:
UNITYQC@aol.com.

Newsletter Online: <http://www.unityqc.org>

Church Office Hours:

Rev. Dean is available:
Monday –Thursday
11 a.m. until 1 p.m. and 2:30 until 5 p.m.
(309) 762-1066

Spiritual Counseling:

Spiritual counseling with Rev. Dean Van Wie is available by appointment.

Inspiration Line

Our 24 hour Inspiration Line is available any time day or night. Call 309-762-1066 and press “3” when prompted, to listen to an inspirational message.

Prayer Requests

You may request prayer support by calling Rev. Dean at the church, a Prayer Team member or by placing a written, confidential prayer request in the prayer box in the sanctuary. Mark the box next to “Let the Prayer Team know right away” for special prayers.

VISION STATEMENT

We are a spiritual beacon, radiating light and awakening the consciousness of joyful living.

MISSION STATEMENT

We are a loving, vibrant, spiritual community with a positive influence on the world: providing opportunities that promote Spiritual awareness and healing for all: expressing joy through generosity, commitment and service: demonstrating Unity principles through faith and prayer: and promoting Oneness with all creation.

CORE VALUES

Our Core Values honor:

Being Christ-focused and Spirit led
Using the power of prayer and meditation
Serving our members and extended community
Expressing abundance consciousness
Nurturing the spiritual evolution of children of all ages and conditions
Maintaining our sacred space
Promoting Truth principles through education and outreach
Recognizing the beauty and Oneness of all life
Affirming the healing and liberating power of Christ consciousness
Acting in integrity in thought, word and deed

CHOIR DIRECTOR

Elaine Vinzant has agreed to lead our choir! WE THANK YOU, ELAINE, for agreeing to serve in this very needed position. We still are looking for someone to work with Rev. Dean in selecting and leading Sunday Music, obtaining outside performers and performing other activities to help our ministry grow.

Board News

1. We still have our pews listed on Craig's List. No calls yet. We are asking \$250 each.
2. Our Gently Used Daily Word Team is continuing their plan to take old Daily Words around to doctor's offices, hospitals, nursing homes, laundromats, etc. If YOU want to help, please see Jeanie Gamer or any Board Member.
3. We are inviting members of our congregation to help serve our ministry by helping with the Youth Education Department. Please see Rev. Dean if you have any interest in this.
4. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 7. Please see any Board member if you have information to be discussed.
5. Our LUNCH BUNCH is going out to dinner after service on June 12. YOU are invited to join us!!

Automatic Withdrawal for Tithes, Love Offerings and

Contributions Is Available: We have created an automatic withdrawal system for making contributions to our church. It is very easy to set up. Please see our website, any Board Member, or Rev. Dean if you would like more information.

CHURCH GOALS

We thank God for completion of the following activities.

Income continues to increase

Weekly attendance to Sunday Services continues to increase

Two additional teachers and two helpers in our Youth Ministry who are blessed for and by the work they do

Resources and people are manifest for the music ministry

CHURCH GOAL STATEMENT

WE SEE GOD'S PLAN OF HARMONY, PROSPERITY, AND PEACE APPEARING NOW FOR OUR CHURCH, OUR BOARD OF TRUSTEES, OUR MEMBERSHIP AND FOR ALL WHO ENTER OUR DOORS.

APRIL TREASURER'S REPORT

In April, the church took in revenue of \$3,431.51 and spent \$4,733.84, for a net loss of \$1,302.33. Year to date, the church has taken in \$15,234.83 and spent \$20,219.95, for a net loss of \$4,985.12. Year to date there have been no capital improvements. Love Offerings totaled \$3,052.52 in April, for a total of \$11,754.23 for the year. Bank account balances, including deposits in transit and outstanding checks, were \$(3,048.71) at the beginning of April and \$(4,351.04) at the end of the month, a net decrease of \$1,302.33, reflecting the net operating loss mentioned above.

Volunteer Opportunities

MUSIC MINISTRY VISIONING TEAM

Our Music Ministry Visioning Team is scheduling a meeting on Sunday, June 12 immediately after service. Please plan to join us!!

YOUTH ED MINISTRY VISIONING TEAM

Our Youth Education Team will also be meeting in June. If you want to help, please call or see Rev. Dean.

ENVIRONMENTAL TEAM

Our Green Team Leaders, Pam Kaufman, and Holly Johnson would like to hear from YOU!! If you would like to be a part of this team please talk with them. Especially they would like to have someone to help with the garden.

BIRTHDAY CAKE DONORS WANTED

We are looking for two volunteers per month to share the responsibility of providing birthday cakes for our birthday celebrations each month. Please call the church at 309-762-1066 or place your name on the sign-up sheet in the Unity Café.

DAILY WORD DISTRIBUTION TEAM

Jeanie Gamer is in charge of this team that takes older Daily Word magazines and distributes them to Nursing Homes, doctor's offices, bus stations and other locations where they can be reused. There is a box in the narthex for you to drop off your gently used Daily Word magazines. The Team will be taking them out sometime this month. Please contact Rev. Dean or Jeanie if you would like to help.

YOUTH TEACHERS AND NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to be available to help staff our nursery when parents with babies come to our services.

PRAYER TEAM

Prayer Requests: Call the church office at 309-762-1066 or Pat McLaughlin (309) 269-4213 or Alice Rice, LUT (309) 788-1200. We invite you to visit or join our Prayer Team which meets the first Tuesday of every month at 5:30 PM at the church.

We have several opportunities for members and friends of Unity to pray with us during the week!

- A. Nooners Prayer Group The Prayer Team prays for Peace for the world at noon every day. We are using "Prayer for Peace." You can obtain a copy by contacting any Prayer Team Member.
- B. The Niners Prayer Group The Prayer Team prays for the church at 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. daily wherever they are at those times. We have a prayer sheet readily available.

Also, all members and friends are welcome to join Rev. Dean at the church on Tuesdays at 11 AM or 12:15 PM to pray with our Silent Unity Prayer Sheets.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Our Volunteer of the Month for June is Mary Louise Hamilton. Mary Louise has been serving as a volunteer pianist/organist for us since many years before Rev. Dean came! She also has been a Youth Education teacher and has helped our church in many many ways!! We DO love, bless and appreciate you, Mary Louise!!

Calendar: June Activities

June 1, 8, 15, 22 and 30. Prosperity Class led by Pat Mc Laughlin. "The Millionaires from Genesis" Meets at 6:30 until 8 PM.

June 5 "The Power of Imagination" will be our Sunday Lesson. There will be a Potluck after service.

June 7, 14, 21 and 28: 11 AM and 12:15 PM, Rev. Dean leads a Silent Unity Prayer Service using the affirmations in the front of the Daily Word magazines. You are invited to join Rev. Dean at the church or pray wherever you are!

June 9 Board Meeting - 6:30 – 8:00 PM

June 10 JUNE GAME NIGHT 6:30 until 8 PM. Scrabble, Monopoly, etc. Also, Some of us are going to the Coupe DeVille Dance at the Col Ballroom. 7 PM \$12 at the door.

June 12 BIRTHDAY SUNDAY We will honor all persons with June birthdays.

June 13 Free 50's & 60's Dance Moline Activity Center, 637 17th Street. 7 until 8:30 PM (serve food from 5:30 until 7:00 PM).

June 17 and 18 MOVIE WEEKEND. Movie to be chosen. Will let you know.

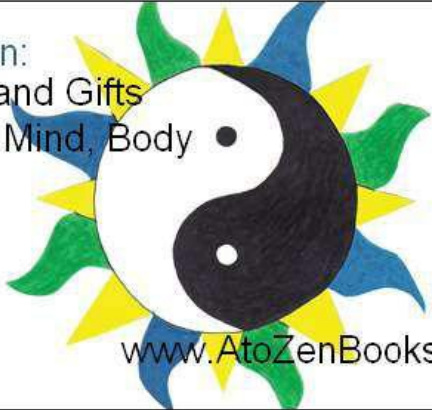
June 18. ICE CREAM SOCIAL. We are volunteering to serve ice cream for the Rebuilding Together ice Cream Social at the Summer Concert at Lincoln Park. You are welcome to join us! We also will be sharing a booth at THE RADISH FESTIVAL in Davenport from 8AM until 3PM at the Freight House in Davenport.

June 19 FATHER'S DAY we will celebrate all men who attend the service. You will have an opportunity to honor any male person in your life!!

JUNE 26 Our LUNCH BUNCH is going out for dinner after service. Please see Fran Tuttle, or Sandi Conrad if you would like to join us!!

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The primary focus of Unity and the Association of Unity Churches remains and will remain the teaching, living and advancing of Unity's philosophy, which is practical Christianity as understood by Charles and Myrtle Fillmore, cofounders of Unity. Unity Church of Christianity allows a variety of non-Unity books, courses and philosophies to be taught in our facility and we allow non-Unity groups to use our facility. Unity looks for the good in all philosophies and each person is encouraged to study what he/she chooses, according to his/her highest understanding of truth. However, Unity's open-mindedness should not be understood as an endorsement or as a Unity teaching. Unity Church of Christianity is committed to promoting Unity's principles first.



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movies and other events, please
call Sue or Check out the
website:
<http://www.unityclintoniowa.org>

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Mary Louise Hamilton,
(563) 355-8135 Mary Louise facilitates
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