

## Meet Our Newest Member

### *Jackie Kelley*

Jackie became the newest member of our church family on August 28. Introduced to Unity by her good friend Bev Neese, Jackie has been attending Sunday service every week since Bev brought her to church in May. Jackie has already become an active volunteer, assisting with the success of the Annual Yard Sale by donating many items, pricing and sorting, and helping with sales. Please take a moment before or after service to welcome Jackie and share a cup of coffee or a meal at the next potluck.

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### **Sunday Services**

Morning Inspiration 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Services 10:30 a.m.  
Youth Education 10:30 a.m.

### **Church Office Hours**

Tuesday through Friday,  
11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
and 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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### **UnityQC on the Web:**

[www.unityqc.org](http://www.unityqc.org)  
Visit our Web site for a world of encouragement!

**Unity Online Radio:** Visit  
[www.unity.fm](http://www.unity.fm) and look for a program of interest

**Unity Village Chapel:** Visit  
[www.unity.org](http://www.unity.org) for live streaming of services with Rev. Erin McCabe.

## Let the Light Shine In

*Since Unity was established in the Quad Cities more than 90 years ago, our church has gone through many transformations. This year is no exception. Our success is a result of the generosity of our members and friends who believe in the value of the spiritual work that we do to make our lives happier, healthier, and more successful, and our world a better, more peaceful place to live. We hope that you will continue to support our mission and vision by supporting our **Let the Light Shine In Fund-raising Campaign.***

*This year's campaign focuses on replacing the church windows, which are in grave disrepair after 40 years of weathering the extremes of our Midwestern climate. Most of the windows do not latch properly anymore, so they are leaking energy; they also pose a security risk. To address these urgent maintenance issues, the congregation approved the \$9,120 windows replacement expenditure on October 2. We have already received more than \$2,160 to support the project, including \$1,010 raised by the Annual Yard Sale in September!*

*With your help, we can raise the remaining \$6,960 by the end of our fund-raising campaign on December 31, 2011—or sooner. As our Master Teacher, Jesus Christ, assures us, “Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in Heaven” (Matt. 18:19). As a congregation, we have agreed that the windows project is our number-one fund-raising priority. Let's allow Divine Source work through us to complete this project by the end of the year.*

*The windows will be installed in mid-November, just in time to start saving energy costs before winter arrives. **Please send your tax-deductible donation today to Let the Light Shine In our new windows. Thank you for your support!***

Yours in service,  
Unity Board of Trustees

## Newsletter Information

**Editor:** Rev. Dean Van Wie  
**Assistant Editor:** Alice Rice, LUT  
**Advertising:** Rev. Dean Van Wie

**Next deadline for submissions:  
Friday, November 18, 2011**

**Submission Guidelines:** Please e-mail information on or before the specified deadline in MS Word format or e-mail template using Times New Roman, 11-point font and no formatting (bold, uppercase, etc.), to [unityqc@aol.com](mailto:unityqc@aol.com). Articles may be edited for style or space.

### Advertising Rates

**Contact:** Rev. Dean Van Wie  
\$10 / month (members)  
\$25/month (non-members)

### Contact Information

When you call the church, you can now choose from the following options:

**Press 0** to leave a message for the church office.

**Press 1** to leave a message for Rev. Dean.

**Press 2** to leave a confidential prayer request.

**Press 3** to leave a confidential message for your Prayer Chaplain or support request personal prayer.

Dear Friends!

Reverend Dean has been away the entire month of October! We will be welcoming him back on Sunday, November 6.

If he were writing this letter, you would be reading all about his adventures and insights over the past month.

I can share my experience with him as we attend the GLURC (Great Lakes Unity Regional Conference). We had a fantastic time learning about our region and all the wonderful support they offer. We met with other Ministers, Licensed Teachers, and leaders sharing ideas and learning about what's new at Unity World Headquarters and Unity Worldwide Ministries.

Another thing Rev. Dean would talk about is what's coming up on our Unity of the Quad Cities Events Calendar.

November 3 at 6:30 PM Alice Rice, LUT and local grief recovery specialist, Sandi Conrad, MS will be hosting the "Forever in Your Heart Program. This program is for those wanting to honor loved ones who have passed in a positive and meaningful way.

November will be a month of thanksgiving. November 6 we will welcome Rev. Dean back, have our monthly potluck and start our Mr. Thanksgiving food donation program.

November 12 is our Children's activity: Turkey Tails; November 20 is our Thanksgiving potluck. And November 27 is Gratitude Sunday.

Rev. Dean would also highlight the Power for the month of November, which is Elimination or Renunciation. This is the faculty by which we release false beliefs and accomplish a mental cleansing. An affirmation we might use is:

**I LET GO OF ANYTHING THAT STANDS IN THE WAY  
OF GOD'S GOOD FOR ME.**

Take time this wonderful month of November to let go of all that keeps you from experiencing the joy of life. Find something every day to be grateful for. When you gather with family and friends share your love and appreciation for one another. Do this and you will find more happiness and joy than ever before!!

**MANY BLESSINGS TO ALL!!  
Alice Rice, LUT – For Rev. Dean**



## Member Support Services

### Prayer Requests

You may request prayer support by calling any Prayer Team member or by placing a written, confidential prayer request in the prayer box in the sanctuary.

### Prayer Chaplains

Every Unity member is supported by a Prayer Chaplain who makes monthly wellness calls. For personal prayer support, please call the church and leave a confidential request for your Prayer Chaplain.

### Spiritual Counseling

Rev. Dean Van Wie is available by appointment for spiritual counseling. Call Rev. Dean at (309) 762-1066 for more information.

### Silent Unity Prayer Services

Services are held every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. at the church. All members and friends are welcome to participate.

## Unity Bookstore

In addition to the Unity collection, we carry a wide range of spiritually based books. Books for classes listed in this newsletter are available through the Unity Bookstore. See Alice Rice, LUT the Bookstore Manager, to place special orders.

### **Unity Bookstore and Lending Library**

**The Bookstore and Lending Library are open on Sundays before and after the Service and through the week during office hours. It's not too early to start shopping for Christmas bargains in the Bookstore!**

### Church Officials

#### Church Staff

Rev. Dean G. Van Wie, Minister  
Alice Rice, LUT, Administrative Assistant

#### Unity Board of Trustees

Pat McLaughlin, President  
Carol Triebel, Secretary  
Jeanie Gamer, Treasurer  
Holly Johnson, Member at Large  
Rev. Dean G. Van Wie, Minister

## Board Notes

Meeting of the Board of Trustees, Unity Church of Christianity of Moline, Illinois

### **Treasurer's Report**

In September, the church took in revenue of \$5,138.02 and spent \$4,525.89, for net income of \$612.13. Year to date, the church has taken in \$34,691.39 and spent \$38,681.93, for a net loss of \$3,990.54; there have been no capital improvements. Love Offerings totaled \$3,423.44, for a total of \$28,436.31 for the year. Bank account balances, including deposits in transit and outstanding checks, were \$(3,968.59) at the beginning of September and \$(3,356.46) at the end of the month, a net increase of \$612.13, reflecting the net operating income mentioned above. Please note that nearly \$1,000 of the \$612.13 net income was from the yard sale, which is being donated to the Let the Light Shine In fundraising campaign.

### **2011 Fundraising Campaign**

October 2, 2011 kickoff, \$10,500 goal by December 31, 2011, targeted toward replacement windows and interior painting (except Sanctuary). Several window bids have been received to demonstrate to the congregation our commitment to be proactive to our needs and prudent with financial resources. Alice Rice is securing a package bid on the painting desired by the congregation.

### **Retreat at Unity Village**

Rev. Dean contacted Unity Village about the possibility of having a retreat for Unity Board members, church members and friends interested in Unity. Anticipated cost is \$500-\$600 per member for the three day retreat.

### **Unity Postcard Policy Update**

Rev. Dean summarized a program by Unity Worldwide Ministries to mail postcards for individual churches to anyone who has contacted Unity Worldwide within the past few years seeking information on Unity. These postcards would be mailed to ZIP Codes within 50 miles of our church. Cost would be \$285 for up to 500 postcards. After brief discussion it was moved by Dean and seconded by Pat to go ahead with this service at a cost of no more than \$285 advertising the November/December services at our church.

Remember: Members are welcome to contact any of the persons on our Board if you have questions or comments about any part of our activities or services!

## Groups

### Prosperity Book Group

This fun and educational group meets every Monday night from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Family Café. The book for November is *The Prospering Power of Prayer*, by Catherine Ponder. For more information, call Pat McLaughlin at (309) 721-0444. Love offering appreciated.

## Spiritual Cinema

### *Yes Man*

Friday  
November 18

Saturday  
November 19

6:45 p.m.

Cost: Love Offering

Based on Danny Wallace's autobiographical book, this provocative comedy describes how a man's life changes dramatically when he vows to say yes to everything Life offers him. Starring Jim Carrey, Zooey Deschanel, and Bradley Cooper, the movie is 1 hour, 44 minutes.

Bring your favorite beverage and a snack to share. Stimulating discussion will follow in the Family Café.

## Upcoming Events

Mark your calendar now so you won't miss any of the fabulous events coming to Unity of the Quad Cities.

**Sunday Mornings** – Morning Meditation is held on the 2nd and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month from 9:45 – 10:15 AM. All are welcome.

**Sunday Mornings** – Sunday Inspiration is held on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month from 9:45 – 10:15 AM. All are welcome for a half hour of spiritual caring and sharing.

**Every Tuesday** - Silent Unity Prayer Service is held at 11 AM. Join Rev. Dean for a half hour of affirmative prayer.

**Choir Practice** – The choir practices every 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month from 9:15 – 10:45 AM. See Elaine Vinzant for more information.

**Tuesday, Nov. 1**  
Prayer Team Meeting, 5:30 PM

**Thursday, Nov. 3**  
Forever in My Heart Program, 6:30 PM *Remembering Departed Loved Ones, Celebrating Memories of Life. Sandi Conrad & Alice Rice*

**Friday, Nov. 4**  
Youth Ed Team meeting @ 6 PM; Music Team Meeting @ 7 PM

**Sunday, Nov. 6**  
**Lesson: Make Room for God's Good** - Welcome Back, Rev. Dean! Potluck Sunday. Mr. Thanksgiving Food Drive Begins.

**Monday, Nov. 7**  
Prosperity Book Group, 6:30 PM. Join us in a lively discussion of *The Prospering Power of Prayer*, by Catherine Ponder. Cost: Love offering.

**Tuesday, Nov. 8**  
Board Meeting, 6:30 PM

**Friday, Nov. 11**  
Kambiz Naficy lecture, 11:00 AM.

**Saturday, Nov. 12**  
Children's Outreach Activity: Turkey Tails  
Details to be announced

**Sunday, Nov. 13**  
**Lesson: A Harmonious Existence** and Birthday Sunday

**Sunday, Nov. 20**  
**Lesson: A Grateful Heart** Thanksgiving Potluck  
(Final day for Mr. Thanksgiving Food Donations)

**Sunday, Nov. 27**  
**Lesson: Preparation for Christmas**

## Unity Volunteers and Opportunities

### Church Beautification Ministry

Leader: Holly Johnson

#### **Landscaping Team**

Leader: Holly Johnson

This team maintains the cleanliness of the church building and the beauty of its grounds. **Opportunities:** Enjoy gardening and/or mowing? We need the help of a Mister Gardener to assist with landscaping the gardens. Call Holly!

### Community Outreach Ministry

Leader: Interested? Please call Rev. Dean at (309) 762-1066.

#### **Outreach Team**

Leader: Rev. Dean Van Wie, (309) 762-1066

The Outreach Team works to promote the good works of Unity throughout the Quad Cities. **Opportunities:** Volunteers with marketing expertise are especially welcome.

### Finance and Fundraising Ministry

Leader: Interested? Please call Rev. Dean at (309) 762-1066.

#### **Fund-raising Team**

Leader: Interested? Please call Rev. Dean at (309) 762-1066.

This team raises money to support special projects.

**Opportunities:** Speakers are needed to give the bi-monthly updates on the progress of the Annual Fund-raising Campaign.

### Membership

Leader: Interested? Please call Rev. Dean at (309) 762-1066.

#### **Social Team**

Leader: Sandi Conrad and Fran Tuttle

Our Social Team is responsible for planning fun social activities and keeping Fellowship Hall looking great. They also coordinate food services for special events.

**Opportunities:** Bakers are needed to make cakes for Birthday Sundays. A Family Café manager is sought to keep our café clean and well stocked.

### Music for the Soul Ministry

Leader: Interested? Please call Rev. Dean at (309) 762-1066.

### Pastoral Care

Leader: Pat McLaughlin, (309) 721-0444

#### **Prayer Chaplain Team**

Leader: Trish Hepner, (309) 781-5890

This team makes monthly Wellness Calls, offers encouragement after Sunday Services, and provides personal prayer support through the Chaplain Line.

**Opportunities:** Six Chaplains and a Team Leader are needed to continue the program.

### Prayer Team

Leader: Pat McLaughlin, (309) 721-0444

The Prayer Team provides daily prayer support for the church, its ministries, and members; our local, state, and federal governments; world nations; and the cosmos. A potluck and prayer circle is also held the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. **Opportunities:** All are welcome to participate.

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### Youth Education

Leader: Interested? Please call Rev. Dean at (309) 762-1066 The Youth Ed team coordinates Sunday classes for all ages of youth. They also coordinate special activities

## Volunteer of the Month

### *Jack Ekblad*

Congratulations to Jack Ekblad, our Unity QC volunteer of the month! Jack does so many things to help out around the church and attends many church activities. Jack comes to church early every Sunday, making coffee and preparing the bulletins. He is also the angel who dims the lights during the meditation portion of the Sunday service. Please take a moment before or after Sunday service this month to thank Jack for everything he does for our church.

## November Birthdays

Lia Bellomy	November 23
Byron Gaskins	November 2
Nancy Gronewold	November 29
Barb Runge	November 29