



Dear Friends!

WHAT A BEAUTIFUL MONTH!! By the time that you receive this, the leaves may be starting to turn, the ducks and geese will be gathering for their trips south and **WE** will have an opportunity to awaken our faculty of zeal and enthusiasm!

I am very happy that our Unity leaders chose this month to be the month of **ZEAL** as the weather and the fall colors and the activities of this time of year are something to get **REALLY** excited about!!

First, I want to remind you that, on Oct. 2, we will have an activity to kick off our zeal!! **DREAMING BEAR** is **BACK!!** Those of us who were here last year **REALLY** enjoyed his performance!! He is a poet, musician, metaphysician, teacher and a wonderful expression of **ZEAL!** So, please pass the word!! He is leading the Sunday service and doing a Playshop at 1 PM. There is a \$20 suggested love offering for the Playshop, but it is plenty worth it!! There is a separate article in this Newsletter about him.

Alice Rice, LUT is leading the service on October 23, and her topic will be “**Z.E.A.L.**” She will talk to us about our wonderful power of enthusiasm and how we can use it positively to enrich our lives.

You may remember that zeal is inner enthusiasm. It comes from our awareness of God’s presence within and all about us. As we develop our power of zeal, so do we find the energy that can be used to help us accomplish our goals!!

Of course, you may recall one of my favorite affirmations about zeal:

I AM ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT LIFE AND LIFE IS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT ME!!

This helps us awaken the magnificent energy of God that is already within us and to bring it forth to help us accomplish that which we are here to accomplish.

Take time this wonderful month of October to awaken the Power of Zeal and you will find that your lives **DO** get better and better!!

MANY BLESSINGS TO ALL!!

Rev. Dean

Our WEBSITE is at www.unityqc.org

If you haven’t done so yet, Please check it out!

We are continually undergoing expansion and improvements!!

UNITY OPPORTUNITIES

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. 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 the church at 309-762-1066.

General Information and Business

Newsletter Information

Editor in Chief: Rev. Dean Van Wie- (309) 762-1066

Assistant Editor: Alice Rice, LUT

Ad Rates

\$25 / 1 month

\$110 / 6 months

\$200 / 1 year

Next deadline for submissions:

November 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:

Call the church office at (309) 762-1066 for spiritual counseling information.

Chaplain and Prayer Request line

To leave a message for your chaplain or to leave a prayer request for the prayer team and minister call the church at (309-762-1066) and press “2” when prompted. Messages will be forwarded to the appropriate person and your call will be returned as soon as possible. .

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 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.

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.

BOARD NEWS

OUR VISION STATEMENT

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

OUR 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

Board Meeting Notes:

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 Pat McLaughlin if you have any interest in this.
4. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 11. Please see any Board member if you have information to be discussed.
5. Our LUNCH BUNCH is going out to dinner after service on October 23. YOU are invited to join us!!

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.

AUGUST TREASURER'S REPORT

In August, the church took in revenue of \$2,815.04 and spent \$2,796.85, for net income of \$18.19. Year to date, the church has taken in \$29,553.37 and spent \$34,156.04, for a net loss of \$4,602.67. Year to date there have been no capital improvements. Love Offerings totaled \$2,528.53 in August, for a total of \$25,012.87 for the year. Bank account balances, including deposits in transit and outstanding checks, were \$(3,986.78) at the beginning of August and \$(3,968.59) at the end of the month, a net increase of \$18.19, reflecting the net operating income mentioned above.

Volunteer Opportunities

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.

MUSIC FOR THE SOUL

Elaine Vinzant, our Choir Director, invites you to join the choir. Practice is from 9:15 until 9:45 AM on the first, third and fifth Sundays of each month.

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. Please contact Jeanie if you would like to help.

YOUTH ED TEACHERS, ASSISTANTS, AND NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Youth Ed ministry invites has several volunteer opportunities for teachers, assistants and nursery attendants. Please contact Alice Rice, LUT or Pat McLaughlin for more information.

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.

SILENT UNITY PRAYER SESSION:

All members and friends are welcome to join at the church on Tuesdays at 11 AM or 12:15 PM for a Silent Unity prayer session.

PRAYER CHAPLAINS

A Prayer Chaplain is available to talk or pray with you after each Sunday service. The chaplain will be positioned at the front of the sanctuary and will be wearing a Unity Prayer Chaplain nametag. Our members benefit from monthly Prayer Chaplain wellness calls. Please contact Trish Hepner for more information about the Prayer Chaplain Team.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

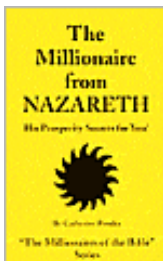
Jack Ekblad	October 11
Andrea Gilman-Vallejo	October 17
Jeff Rice	October 31
Dale Rowse	October 7
Helen Shoulders	October 20
Becky Williams	October 29



***Dreaming Bear Returns
to Unity Q.C
"Return to Nature Tour"
October 2, 2011***

The Quad Cities was enthralled last year when Dreaming Bear, poet, singer, philosopher, and spiritual teacher was at Unity last year! Among other things, he has been called the reincarnation of Rumi for his unique style of poetry and the gift he has for bringing out the very best in us! Prepare to be inspired by this magnificent expression of the Divine. Pick up some brochures at church and help us to advertise this magnificent opportunity for the entire community!!

www.dreamingbear.net
Suggested Love Offering \$20



"THE MILLIONAIRE FROM NAZARETH"

Mondays 6:30 – 8PM

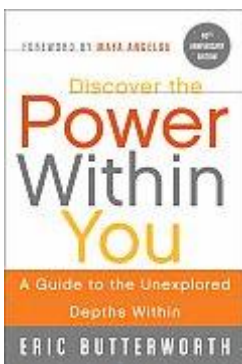
Our Board President and Prosperity Guru, Pat McLaughlin, is continuing her Book Study on the Millionaires of the Bible by focusing on the book, "THE MILLIONAIRE FROM NAZARETH" by Catherine Ponder. The Book Study starts on Monday, Oct. 3 and will run through the entire month, meeting at 6:30 until 8 PM on Mondays.

DISCOVER THE POWER WITHIN YOU

5-Week Class

Starting September 14

6:00-8:00 PM



Join Alice Rice, LUT for this class based on the magnificent book "Discover the Power Within You" by noted Unity minister and author, Eric Butterworth. This class is for everyone interested in discovering the power that is latent within each of us. Ten credits in the Unity Spiritual Education and Enrichment (SEE) Program can be earned. The class will be offered on a love offering basis.

OCTOBER EVENTS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2: DREAMING BEAR IS DOING THE Sunday service and a playshop! This is Potluck Sunday. All are welcome to join us whether you bring food or not. There is a \$20 suggested love offering for the PlayShop. The Quad Cities was enthralled last year when Dreaming Bear, poet, singer, philosopher, and spiritual teacher. Among other things, he has been called the reincarnation of Rumi for his unique style of poetry and the gift he has for bringing out the very best in us! Prepare to be inspired by this magnificent expression of the Divine. Pick up some brochures at church and help us to advertise this magnificent opportunity for the entire community!!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9: BIRTHDAY SUNDAY We will honor all persons with October birthdays.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9: We are going as a group to the performance of "A NEW BRAIN" at St. Ambrose University, Galvin Auditorium. This is a "splendid new musical" and is "both witty and touching". \$15 adults, and \$14 for staff, students and senior citizens. Contact Fran Tuttle at 563-391-1681 for more details. 3 PM. The musical is also showing on Friday and Saturday, October 7 and 8 at 7:30 PM.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 14: GAME NIGHT 6:30 until 8 PM. Scrabble, Monopoly, etc.

**OCTOBER 21 AND 22: SPIRITUAL CINEMA MOVIE WEEKEND.
Movie to be Announced**

SATURDAY OCT. 22. GTO, one of our favorite bands, is playing at the COL Ballroom on Saturday, Oct. 22 from 7:00 until 11:00 PM. We will get more information ASAP. The group plays 50's and 60's music and we ALWAYS have great fun!! Please contact Sandi Conrad, Social Coordinator, 928-210-5360. We always sit together as a group, so Please see or call Sandi!!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23: Guest Speaker, Alice Rice, LUT Alice Rice, Licensed Unity Teacher, will be speaking on our power of Z.E.A.L. She will talk to us about our wonderful power of enthusiasm and how we can use it positively to enrich our lives.

**SUNDAY, OCT. 23: LUNCH BUNCH is going out to lunch after service and YOU are welcome to join us!!
Location is to be determined.**

SUNDAY, OCT. 30 Guest Speaker, REV, RON FRITTS, minister of Unity of Quincy, Illinois, will lead the Sunday Service. His daughter, Nicole, will lead us in a workshop, titled, "Overcoming Obstacles". There will be a potluck between the service and the workshop. Rev. Ron is also the President of the Great Lakes Region of the Association of Unity Churches.

SUNDAY MORNING ACTIVITIES

Sunday Inspiration Join us as we gather in the Youth Ed room for a half hour of uplifting spiritual conversation. It is a great time to meet new friends and to get to know each other better. Bring your coffee or favorite beverage and meet with us from 9:45 until 10:15 AM on the **First, Third and Fifth Sundays**. Alice Rice, LUT, is the facilitator.

Sunday Morning Meditation Sunday Meditation is offered 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, LUT is the Coordinator

CLASSES, WORKSHOPS, STUDY GROUPS

MONDAY EVENINGS - OCTOBER BOOK STUDY "THE MILLIONAIRE from Nazareth" Our Board President and Prosperity Guru, Pat McLaughlin, is continuing her Book Study on the Millionaires of the Bible by focusing on the book, "THE MILLIONAIRE FROM NAZARETH" by Catherine Ponder. The Book Study starts on Monday, Sept. 5 and will run through the entire month, meeting at 6:30 until 8 PM on Mondays.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS - CLASS: DISCOVER THE POWER WITHIN YOU

Wednesday nights from 6:00 to 8:00 through October 12, Alice Rice, LUT is facilitating a class based on the book: *Discover the Power Within You* by noted Unity minister and author, Eric Butterworth. Join us to discover ways you can use these amazing metaphysical principles to improve every area of your life!

Friends of Unity QC

ION'S OF THE QUAD CITIES

**Meets every second Thursday at
6:30 PM at the Bettendorf
Public Library.**

***"Bridging the gap between
spirituality and science!!***

Please join us!!

Unity Center of Clinton

Rev. Sue Peters
(563)243-3561.

Rev. Sue Peters conducts services Sunday mornings at 10:45 a.m. Classes are held on Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. For movies and other events, please call Sue or Check out the website: <http://www.unityclintoniowa.org>



If you are tired of the negative programming on cable and the radio, check out www.unity.fm on your computer. You will find a wide variety of programs to feed your soul and learn practical ways to use metaphysical teachings. Some of my favorites are: MetaRomp with Rev. Dr. Paul Hasselbeck; PosiPalooza music that matters with Richard Mekdeci. The website also offers programs on topics such as: Spiritual Parenting, using spirituality in business, book discussions, Biblical Power for your Life, and The Leading Edge with Mindy Audlin featuring interviews with today's premier spiritual guides. Alice Rice, LUT

Non-Unity Materials and Activities

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.