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## SUPPORT UNIDOS EN CRISTO #179 AND #180

COLONIAL CHURCH OF EDINA  
6200 COLONIAL WAY, EDINA, MN 55436  
(612) 925-2711

**Men's Unidos en Cristo #179** will be **January 24 – 27, 2002**. The weekend scripture is,  
"From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another.

For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth come through Jesus Christ." *John 1:16-17*

**Women's Unidos en Cristo #180** will be **January 31 – February 3, 2002**. The weekend scripture is,

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit,  
because apart from me you can do nothing." *John 15:5*



*The Sunday morning serenade is open to Sponsors only. The Sunday dinner serenades, open to the entire Fourth Day Community, will be at 4:30 p.m. Sponsors please arrive by 4:00 p.m.*

### Need Palanca Ideas?

You might want to assist the Palanca team with prayer support... offer to help cook, serve, or wash dishes for the Kitchen team... assist the 4th Day team in setup/clean-up before/after the Agape dinner, or after the Sunday morning serenade or the Sunday evening Clausura. ♥ ***Please contact the appropriate team rector/a to coordinate your efforts with their needs.*** ♥

#### Men's Weekend #179

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|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| • Trace James  | (Rector)         | 952-934-6465 |
| • Phil Touhey  | (Kitchen Rector) | 952-470-7868 |
| • Dick Hamblin | (4th Day Rector) | 952-949-0779 |
| • Alan Stewart | (Palanca Rector) | 952-938-8564 |

The Men's Kitchen Team suggests that individuals or groups adopt a meal, or part of a meal, and either palanca time by preparing a meal or palanca some or all of the food for a meal.

#### Women's Weekend #180

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| • Jan Shepley  | (Rectora)         | 651-636-8047 |
| • Carla Lorenz | (Kitchen Rectora) | 763-425-2003 |
| • Kory Everson | (4th Day Rectora) | 612-866-7606 |
| • Marie Wilson | (Palanca Rectora) | 952-835-0301 |

The Women's Kitchen Team has requested palanca of 20 bottles of Catawba juice, 120 boneless, skinless chicken breasts, 120 baking potatoes, and fresh fruit.

### Palanca Note

There will be SIX tables (48) at the Men's weekend and the Women's weekend. When sending palanca to the Rollo Room, be sure to include enough for eight at each table, AND eight at the Leadership table. Palanca for the Rollo Room must include enough for all Weekenders and team or it cannot be distributed in the Rollo Room, but will go directly to the Weekender Palanca bags.

### Directions

From the north take 35W (south) to Crosstown (Hwy 62). Go west to Tracy Avenue exit. At the top of the exit, turn left. Go one block to Colonial Way, just past the fire station, turn left. Follow Colonial Way to the north parking lot (for the Clausura) or the south parking lot (Fourth Day Center).

## Attention 4th Dayers !!

Just think about *how many* people support Unidos en Cristo. Hundreds of letters from prisons and other Christian “walks” around the country and the world arrive for each Weekend! Please prayerfully think about the palanca *you* send for the upcoming Weekends. You might write an encouraging note... honor the Weekenders with a contribution to a food shelf, homeless shelter, or favorite charity... *or*, consider enclosing a check with a palanca note to help cover the weekend expenses. Checks can be made out to Unidos en Cristo #179 or #180.

Address your palanca to: Men of Unidos en Cristo #179 or Women of Unidos en Cristo #180  
Mail to: Larry Bennett, 8950 Audubon Road, Chanhassen, MN 55317 email: palanca@unidosencristo.net

**Please allow adequate time for mail delivery! Palanca will be delivered in time for each weekend.**

## UNDOS EN CRISTO MEN'S #179 TEAM ROSTER

### Rector

Trace James, *Faith Church*

### Assistant Rectors

Joel Jensen, *Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran*  
John O'Keefe, *Colonial Church of Edina*  
Paul Tesarek, *Faith Presbyterian*

### Spiritual Directors

Cindy Shepherd, *Colonial Church at Heritage Square*  
John Ward, *Faith Presbyterian*

### Music Directors

Duke Lunden, *Colonial Church of Edina*  
Mark Magnuson, *Colonial Church of Edina*

### Rollistas

Ron Achterkirch, *Faith Covenant*  
Dave Carlson, *Faith Covenant*  
Mark Colman, *Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran*  
Don Heinrich, *Colonial Church of Edina*  
Bob Zalk, *Normandale Lutheran*

### Table leaders

Don Boots, *Hope Presbyterian*  
John Getsch, *Westwood Church*  
Vernon Lewis, *Minnetonka UMC*  
Paul Libra, *Glendale UMC*  
Alan Poulsen, *St. George's Episcopal*  
Rusty Rusterholtz, *Church of the Open Door*  
Bill Shenk, *Wayzata Community*

### Palanca Rector

Alan Stewart, *Faith Presbyterian*

### Assistant Palanca Rector

Rick Reed, *Faith Presbyterian*

### Palanca Spiritual Director

Kent Slavik, *Resurrection Life*

### Palanca Music

Lyle Jensen, *Colonial Church of Edina*  
John Neal, *Colonial Church of Edina*



### Palanca Team

Tom Asplund, *Faith Presbyterian*  
Todd Barkus, *First Presbyterian of Maple Plain*  
Chuck Barnes, *Faith Covenant*  
John Buffalow, *Faith Covenant*  
Don Caplinger, *Hope Presbyterian*  
Mark Johnson, *Excelsior Covenant*  
John Kramer, *Church of the Open Door*  
Jon Otto, *Wayzata Free*  
Rick Saffrin, *Westwood Church*  
Phil Shepherd, *Colonial Church at Heritage Square*

### Kitchen Rector

Phil Touhey, *Colonial Church at Heritage Square*

### Assistant Kitchen Rector

Gary Schultz, *Colonial Church at Heritage Square*

### Kitchen Team

Terry Condon, *Faith Covenant*  
Chuck Erickson, *Oakridge Community*  
Tim Johnson, *Colonial Church of Edina*  
Jay Juusula, *Minnetonka UMC*  
Rann Loppnow, *Lake City UMC*  
Shelly Manthei, *Crossroads Community*  
Glenn Sonnee, *Eagan Covenant*  
John Titus, *Glendale UMC*  
Rick Treece, *Wayzata Community*  
Ed Trifiletti, *Eagan Covenant*

### 4<sup>th</sup> Day Rector

Dick Hamblin, *Colonial Church at Heritage Square*

### Assistant 4<sup>th</sup> Day Rector

Joe Oliver, *Colonial Church of Edina*

### 4<sup>th</sup> Day Team

Jim Adsem, *Excelsior Covenant*  
Dan Bostrom, *Hope Presbyterian*  
Craig Byer, *Colonial Church at Heritage Square*  
Gary Christian, *St. Croix Valley UMC*  
Nick Folwick, *Minnewashta Congregational*  
Gary Greening, *Normandale Hylands UMC*  
Don Grenada, *Excelsior Covenant*  
Ron Payne, *Colonial Church at Heritage Square*  
Michael Rogness, *First Presbyterian, Albert Lea*  
Clay Uhlenhake, *Westwood/CCHS*

## UNDOS EN CRISTO WOMEN'S #180 TEAM ROSTER

### Rectora

Jan Shepley, *North Heights Lutheran*

### Assistant Rectoras

Maggie Johnston, *House of Hope Presbyterian*

Jan Schuenke, *Faith Covenant*

Peggy Zender, *North Heights Lutheran*

### Spiritual Directors

Neil Bonkoski, *First Covenant*

### Music Directors

Colleen Bocchi, *Woodridge Church*

Sheryl Freeman, *Normandale Hylands UMC*

### Rollistas

Nancy Adsem, *Excelsior Covenant*

Carol Janssen, *Hennepin Avenue UMC*

Jana Larson, *Plymouth Covenant*

Marti Schultz, *St. Lucas Community*

Sue Stanek, *Colonial Church of Edina*

### Table Leaders

Kathy Beenen, *Incarnation Lutheran*

Shari Graber, *Delano UMC*

Jan Matula, *Hastings UMC*

Barb Sackett, *Faith Covenant*

Ellie Slack, *Faith Presbyterian*

Beth Thompson, *Arlington Hills UMC*

Peggy Warner, *Wayzata Evangelical Free*

### Palanca Rectora

Marie Wilson, *Normandale Hylands UMC*

### Assistant Palanca Rectora

Deb Schaffran, *Normandale Hylands UMC*

### Palanca Spiritual Director

Tom Sweany, *Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free*

### Palanca Music Directors

Judie Schumacher, *Hennepin Avenue UMC*

Judy Porter, *Hennepin Avenue UMC*

### Palanca Team

Anne Ballard, *Normandale Hylands UMC*

Sue Esler, *Bloomington Assemblies of God*

Kim Hunnewell, *Colonial Church of Edina*

Chris Lindquist, *Grace Evangelical Free*

Kathy Nelson, *Faith Presbyterian*

Jean Rusterholtz, *Church of the Open Door*

Dianne Swenson, *Hastings UMC*

Kathleen Tatge, *Hastings UMC*

### Kitchen Rectora

Carla Lorenz, *Church of the Open Door*

### Assistant Kitchen Rectora

Sheryl Bakke, *Church of the Open Door*

### Kitchen Team

Mary Fisher, *Colonial Church of Edina*

Betty Knosalla, *Aldrich Avenue Presbyterian*

Dorothy Lecy, *First UMC of Lindstrom*

Leigh Myers-Higgins, *Colonial Church of Edina*

Lyn Osgood, *Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church*

Jill Reed, *Faith Presbyterian*

Shelley Schuenke, *Hope Presbyterian*

Marlene Slavik, *Resurrection Life*

Linda Stone, *Brooklyn UMC*

Jan Wing, *Church of the Open Door*

### Fourth Day Rectora

Kory Everson, *Hope Presbyterian*

### Assistant Fourth Day Rectora

Diane Schneider, *Faith Covenant*

### Fourth Day Team

Linda Anderson, *Faith Covenant*

Lisa Bjerken, *Christ Presbyterian*

Therese Carlson, *Faith Covenant*

Carol Carmichiel, *Colonial Church of Edina*

Sherrie Holck, *Rosemount UMC*

Barb Inman, *Hope Presbyterian*

Sheree Johnson, *Normandale Hylands UMC*

Jeanne Kaeder, *Church of the Open Door*

Brenda Marshall, *Colonial Church of Edina*

Sara O'Keefe, *Colonial Church of Edina*

Christine Petry, *Hope Presbyterian*

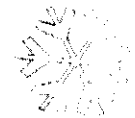
## Singles Ultreyas

The Singles Community meets for renewal and fellowship on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Wear your Cursillo cross and name tag, bring your song book, yellow book and a dish to share. Questions -- call the host listed below. Upcoming Ultreyas are:

January 12      Bethlehem Lutheran in St. Paul's Midway  
February 9      North Heights Lutheran in Arden Hills

March 9          Beautiful Savior Lutheran in Plymouth  
April 13          Hosanna! Lutheran in Lakeville

Mary Armdahl 651-698-6441  
Carol Olsen 952-535-5061 or  
Ron Wagenknecht 651-483-9237  
Kris Johes 763-535-4499  
Judy Anderson 952-435-3344



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## PARTICIPANT LIST FROM UNIDOS EN CRISTO #177 AND #178

EVANGEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, ROCHESTER

TOM ASPLUND, *Faith Presbyterian*  
DEE BASTEN, *Hennepin Avenue UMC*  
TERI BERGLUND, *Minnetonka UMC*  
JULES BOHONEK, *First Presbyterian, Albert Lea*  
BRENDA CHRISTENSEN, *Rochester Covenant*  
BILL FRANK, *Evangel UMC*  
NANCY FREAR, *Evangel UMC*  
JOE AND LISA GILLASPIE, *Hastings UMC*  
CARTER AND CAROLYN GLENDENNING, *Minnetonka UMC*  
LARRY AND TRUDIE GREAVES, *Rosemount UMC*  
BRIAN AND MELISSA GREGG, *Evangel UMC*  
TED AND LYNNE HARTY, *First Presbyterian, Albert Lea*  
SHERYL KINDSCHY, *Faith UMC*  
ANNE KOLB, *Woodridge Baptist*  
KATIE KUNNARI, *Rochester Covenant*  
RANN AND VALERIE LOPPNOW, *Lake City UMC*  
ROBERT NASH, *Rochester Covenant*  
VERN AND CHERI NEITZELL, *Austin Christian Fellowship*  
JEN O'CONNELL, *Evangel UMC*

RANDY OLSON, *Lake City UMC*  
MAX ORR, *Minnetonka UMC*  
LUIS AND MARY PORTILLO, *Faith Presbyterian*  
BILL AND CATHY RADIL, *Dodge Center UMC*  
RAY AND BETH ROBERTS, *Albert Lea Assemblies of God*  
CURT AND LANE SCHANER, *Faith Presbyterian*  
KATIE SCHMIDT, *Evangel UMC*  
RON SCHMIDT, *Dodge Center*  
RITA SENS, *St. Huberts*  
JUDY THOMAS, *Faith UMC*  
DIANE THORNTON, *Hennepin Avenue UMC*  
MIKE TRUE, *First Congregational*  
DOROTHY VRIEZE, *Faith UMC*  
WADE WEBER, *Rochester Covenant*  
DAN AND MARY LOUISE WIRKUS, *Albert Lea Assemblies of God*  
RICK & LAURA YOUNG, *First Presbyterian*  
RUTH ZELLER, *Crossroads*

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### UNIDOS EN CRISTO STATEMENT OF FAITH

Unidos en Cristo is a Christian Community whose purpose is to help persons develop a living faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. The Unidos en Cristo Community affirms that the living faith in Jesus Christ acknowledges the Bible as the authoritative Word of God, along with the principles of the Christian faith as expressed in the Apostles' Creed. By being an active member in this movement we affirm our own personal faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

Recognizing our own sinfulness and continuing need for forgiveness, we nevertheless affirm through the power of the Holy Spirit, that we are presently living our lives, to the best of our ability in such a way that it brings no reproach upon the Lord Jesus Christ or His Church.

*Adopted by Unidos en Cristo Council on October 27, 1998*

## UTEC

**UNITED TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (UTEC)** is an opportunity for teenagers (grades 10-12 recommended) to share their faith with other teens in a way patterned after Cursillo/Unidos en Cristo. If you would like to serve as an Adult Leader on a weekend— as a Table Leader (ATL); an Adult Leader for the Kitchen, Wheat (TEC's prayer warriors) or Support (TEC's 4th Day) team, please call:

UTEC Convenor	Rich Lucas	952-492-3288
Weekender Apps	Susan & Terry Lijewski	952-461-3699
Adult Team Apps	Dave Diedrichs	952-929-3317
Youth Team Apps	Brad Wing	952-474-0786

Upcoming Weekends	
Jan 24-27, 2002	TEC #54 Crosstown Covenant
Apr 11-14, 2002	TEC #55 Wayzata Free

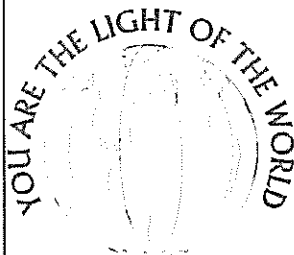
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### Lost and Found

A Gloria Vanderbilt watch was found at Evangel UMC in Rochester following the women's weekend. It can be claimed by calling Luanne at 507-287-0873.

# Unidos en Cristo Weekend Watch

Weekend:	#181 (Men)	# 182 (Women)		#184 (Women)
Date:	April 18 – 21, 2002 Wayzata Community	April 25 – 28, 2002 Wayzata Community		June 6 – 9, 2002 St. Croix Valley UMC Lakeland
Rector(a) Spiritual Director Asst. Spiritual Director Palanca Spiritual Director	Thane Lewis	Robin Carlson Kristen Rouner-Jeide Casey Alexander		
Weekender Application Dates:	February 5 – March 5	February 5 – March 5		March 25 – April 23
Weekend:	#185 (Men)	#186 (Women)	#185 (Men)	#186 (Women)
Date:	August 1 – 4, 2002 Hope Covenant St. Cloud	August 8 – 11, 2002 Hope Covenant St. Cloud	To be determined	To be determined
Rector(a) Spiritual Director Asst. Spiritual Director Palanca Spiritual Director				
Weekender Application Dates:	May 23 – June 25	May 23 – June 25		

**WEEKENDER APPLICATIONS** should be sent to: Holly Sorenson, P. O. Box 1428, Walker, MN 56484 (218) 547-3378

**INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A TEAM?** Teams are formed 3–4 months prior to a weekend. Now is the time to submit a Team Request Form if you're interested in serving on an April team—or even the June team. The Team Request Form is included in every Palanca Press—or you can print one from the Unidos web site—[www.unidosencristo.net](http://www.unidosencristo.net)

## *In Loving Memory*

We celebrate the lives of our sister and brothers in Christ,

Daphne Bradach (#112)

Bill Kidder (#129)

George Martens (#15)

Charles Winger (#125)

They have entered their *Fifth Day* and are now in our Lord's glorious presence.



Memorials given in memory of Cursillistas may be sent to the Unidos en Cristo Council Treasurer and will be acknowledged in the Palanca Press. Please send **memorials to: Roger Roth, Treasurer, 7528 Mariner Drive, Maple Grove, MN 55311**. If you know of a Cursillista who has entered his or her *Fifth Day*, please call Sheree Johnson, Communications Editor (952-944-7244) for names to be included in the Palanca Press. Others in the Fourth Day Community may have no other way of knowing special friends in Christ have now entered His glorious presence.

## *Convenor's Corner*

Happy New Year, Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

As I write this, it is the beginning of the blessed season of Advent, and we are deep into the preparations for the celebration of the birth of our Lord. By the time you read it, the gifts will all have been opened, maybe even returned or exchanged, and New Year's resolutions will have been made (and perhaps broken!)

May I suggest one more gift and one more resolution? Why not resolve to give the gift of an Unidos en Cristo weekend, by becoming a sponsor, before this year ends? Give some thought, right here and now, to the people you know who could be blessed in this way. It's a gift that might be returned (a hundred fold!) or even exchanged (for a new life in Christ!) It blesses the receiver as well as the giver. And it comes from the heart! Contact your church Unidos liaison for application forms and more information about sponsoring.

Make this your resolution for 2002—this gift is too good to keep to yourself! Christ is counting on you to Pass It On!

My prayer for all of you in 2002 is for peace in your hearts and peace in our world. God bless you!

Carole Snyder  
Convenor  
763-479-2303



**ON THE WEB** Check out our web site at [www.unidosencristo.net](http://www.unidosencristo.net) The password is 1111111. Please send any feedback to [unidosencristo@mn.rr.com](mailto:unidosencristo@mn.rr.com)

Under **CONTACT US** the 4<sup>th</sup> Day community is now able to send email to Council members by clicking on the Council position in the left hand column which will open an email box. Council members for the 2001-02 year have been posted.

Please check out the **PALANCA** button—you can email your commitment of 'prayer for the weekends' to the Palanca Contact for each weekend.

**FROM THE COUNCIL:** Did you know that you can designate some of your United Way contribution to Unidos en Cristo? Here is the process to follow:

When you fill out your United Way contribution form, find the location to designate funds to a 501 (c) (3) organization. List the name of the organization as "Unidos en Cristo"—9709 Colorado Road, Bloomington, MN 55438. That's all there is to it!

*Best Wishes for  
A Happy New Year*



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#### Correct and Current Information Needed

Send correction form to:

Unidos en Cristo  
Marie D Wilson  
9709 Colorado Road  
Bloomington, MN 55438-1740

or

Call: 952- 835-0301  
email: [unidosenCristo@mn.rr.com](mailto:unidosenCristo@mn.rr.com)  
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