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Support Unidos en Cristo # 199 and # 200

ARLINGTON HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
759 EAST COUNTY ROAD B, MAPLEWOOD, MN 55117
(651) 776-1547

Men's Unidos en Cristo #199 will be **April 22 – 25, 2004**. The weekend scripture is,
"We can make our plans, but the Lord determines our steps." Proverbs 16:9

Women's Unidos en Cristo #200 will be **April 29 – May 2, 2004**. The weekend scripture is,
"The Lord your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing." Zephaniah 3:17



The Sunday morning serenades are 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 #199

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| • David Anderson | Rector | 651-439-3671 |
| • Todd Wright | Kitchen Rector | 651-465-6522 |
| • Bill Morte | 4th Day Rector | 612-916-0400 |
| • Sal Mondelli | Palanca Rector | 952-933-9932 |

Women's Weekend #200

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| • Kelli Mathias | Rectora | 715-483-9719 |
| • Mary Ostlund | Kitchen Rectora | 651-436-6200 |
| • Donna Gapinski | 4th Day Rectora | 651-766-8092 |
| • Kim Hunnewell | Palanca Rectora | 952-920-6463 |

The Men's weekend needs egg bake for Sunday Morning, any cash donations for the Weekend and 26 bottles of Catawba Juice. Please contact Todd Wright at 651-465-6522 or email at wrightfamily@scc.net. The Women's weekend needs 120 slices plain cheesecake, egg bake for Sunday morning, 24 bottles white Catawba Juice and fresh fruit. Please contact Mary Ostlund, Kitchen Rectora 651-436-6200.

PALANCA NOTE: There will be **SIX** tables (48) at the Men's weekend and **SIX** tables (48) at the Women's weekend. When sending palanca to the Rollo Room, include a total of **56** items for the men's weekend and **56** for the women's weekend.

DIRECTIONS: From Minneapolis: North on 35W to Highway 36. East on 36 to Edgerton. Right on Edgerton and left on County Road B.

Attention 4th Day Community - 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 could send for the upcoming weekends. You might write an encouraging note, honor the weekenders with a contribution to a food shelf, homeless shelter, or a favorite charity. . . or consider enclosing a check with a palanca note to help cover the weekend expenses. Checks should be made out to Unidos en Cristo #199 or #200.

Address your palanca to: Men of Unidos en Cristo #199 or Women of Unidos en Cristo #200
Mail to: John Maddio, 4280 Hawksbury Circle, Eagan, MN 55123
Email: palanca@unidosencristo.com

*Please mail your palanca **one week prior to the weekend** so that it is received in time to be delivered to each weekend.*

Unidos en Cristo # 199 Men's Team Roster

RECTOR

DAVID ANDERSON, Eaglebrook

ASSISTANT RECTORS

TIM DEER, Faith Covenant
JOHN MARTY, Crosswinds
RUSTY RUSTERHOLTZ, Church of the Open Door

SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

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MUSIC DIRECTOR

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DICK MATHIOWETZ, The Harbor
KEVIN MILLER, The Harbor
BRIAN RODECK, Brooklyn Park EFC

TABLE LEADERS

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BILL SLACK, Faith Presbyterian
JOHN TUTTLE, Crosswinds Covenant
JERRY WIENKE, Crosswinds Community

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BARRY STAR, Arlington Hills UMC
DAVID WEBB, Minnetonka UMC
LARRY WESTBROOK, Church of the Open Door
ROGER WILSON, Normandale Hylands UMC

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ASSISTANT KITCHEN RECTOR

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STEVE MILLER, Brooklyn Park EFC
KENT NACK, Colonial Church of Edina
KEVIN SWEET, River of Life Evangelical Free
TIM WHEELER, Stillwater Evangelical Free

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ASSISTANT 4TH DAY RECTOR

SHELDON MANTHEI, Arlington Hills UMC

4TH DAY TEAM

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STEVE KING, Arlington Hills UMC
BRUCE LARSEN, Arlington Hills UMC
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MARSHALL PULS, Hope Presbyterian
STEVE STALOGH, Hope Presbyterian
GARY STEFFL, Shepherd of the Valley

Unidos en Cristo # 200 Women's Team Roster

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BETSY HANSON, House of Prayer Lutheran

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ROXI LEGG, Hopkins UMC
WICKIE PERCE, First UMC Lindstrom
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ENNIFER SEVERSON, Bethel Lutheran

TABLE LEADERS

JUDY COCHRAN, Wyoming UMC
ONE FOLWICK, Christ Lutheran
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KATY LOWEEN, Wyoming UMC
SANDY MCELHOSE, Brooklyn Park EFC
DOROTHY MILLER, Albert Lea Assembly
LORRY WHEELER, Stillwater EFC

PALANCA RECTORA

IM HUNNEWELL, Colonial Church

ASSISTANT PALANCA RECTORA

MARLENE SLAVIK, Resurrection Life

PALANCA SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

ENT SLAVIK, Resurrection Life

PALANCA MUSIC DIRECTOR

PALANCA TEAM

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STACY HOLM, North Branch UMC
CHAR LAULA, First UMC Lindstrom
DIANA PENNINGTON, Brooklyn UMC
CAROL SCHMIDT, Forest Hills UMC
KATHLEEN WINTERS, Wayzata EFC

KITCHEN RECTORA

MARY OSTLUND, Shepherd of the Valley

ASSISTANT KITCHEN RECTORA

LAURIE DICK, Woodland Hills

KITCHEN TEAM

DIANNE DAVIS-JONES, Mendota Heights UCC
LAURA HANSEN, Menomonee UMC
GOLDEAN HEIL, St. Croix UMC
KRIS LECUYER, Shepherd of the Valley
VICKIE LEE, St. Croix Valley UMC
CARRIE MAMMENGA, St. Croix Valley UMC
MERILEE PULS, Hope Presbyterian
MARY STEFFL, Shepherd of the Valley
BETH THOMPSON, Arlington Hills UMC
KATHY TOLKKINEN

FOURTH DAY RECTORA

DONNA GAPINSKI, Arlington Hills UMC

ASSISTANT FOURTH DAY RECTORA

RITA IVERSON, Arlington Hills UMC

FOURTH DAY TEAM

JEANNE BRADSHAW, North Branch UMC
SALLY COLBURN, Minnetonka UMC
PENNEY JOHNSON, North Branch UMC
JUDY MILLER, Hope Presbyterian
TAMMIE OLSON, Pres. Church of Master
MARIANNE SCOTT, St. Croix Valley UMC
CINDY SCRUGGS, Arlington Hills UMC
TERRY SMITH, St. John Episcopel
LYNELLE WIENKE, Crosswinds Community

South of the River Ultreya: Sunday April 18, 2004 from 12:30 – 3:30 at Rosemount UMC.

Liaisons/pastors please contact Diane Martin at DSMartin007@msn.com with approximate counts, if possible. This will be a traditional 'potluck' Ultreya, please wear your nametag, bring your songbook and a dish to share: A-G – Salad, H-N - Main Dish/Entrée and O-Z – Dessert.

Singles Ultreyas: The Singles Community meets for renewal and fellowship on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Wear your Cursillo cross and name tag, bring your songbook, yellow book and a dish to share. Please access www.mnviadecristo.org/news/ for further details.

PARTICIPANT LIST FROM UNIDOS EN CRISTO # 197 AND # 198

COLONIAL CHURCH OF EDINA

Susan Allen, Brooklyn Park EFC	Daniel Madrigal, First Presbyterian, Albert Lea
Kevin and Kelly Atkins, North Branch UMC	Kari Miller, Christ Presbyterian
Greg and Nance Barrick, Litchfield UMC	Lee and Becky Monson, Brooklyn Park EFC
Martin Bradshaw, BridgePointe Covenant	Tim and Bev Morgan, Evangel UMC
Graeme Browne, Faith Covenant	Jeff and Gina Mueller, Wyoming UMC
Tom and Carrie Brunn, Church of the Open Door	Dave and Pam Nyquist, North Branch UMC
Mike Butler, Wyoming UMC	Rube Patrikus, First Presbyterian, Shakopee
Roger and Cherie De Young, Harris Covenant	Alex Plechash, Christ Presbyterian
Cossette Dussault, Church of the Open Door	Eileen Poul, Faith Presbyterian
Al and Lori Edeker, Faith Covenant	Cindy Redig, Faith Covenant, Burnsville
Tony and Nancy Elenz, BridgePointe Covenant	Justin and Mindy Reid, Wayzata EFC
Joanne Galley, Colonial Church of Edina	Jake and Christell Schmidt, First UMC Lindstrom
Cyndy Grinvalds, Plymouth Covenant	Barry and Angie Star, Arlington Hills UMC
Ted and Sandy Hedrick, Hopkins UMC	Craig and Boni Stockel, First UMC Lindstrom
Tammi Jurek, Hope Covenant, St. Cloud	Bill and Marla Tipping, Hennepin Ave UMC
Bill Krittta, St. Pius X	Casey VanderBent, South Cross Community
Bruce and Bev Krueger, Cross Winds Community	Larry and Connie VanRyswyk, 1 st Pres, Albert Lea
Andy and Kathy Labowitch, Wayzata EFC	Anibal and Becky Velarde, Glendale UMC
Brian and DeeAnn LaLuzerne, Faith Covenant	David Webb, Minnetonka UMC
Barb Lampert, Church of Peace UMC	Larry and Sue Westbrook, Church of the Open Door
Dexter and Sheryl Lehman, Buffalo UMC	Kris Wolfe, First Presbyterian
Jerry and Sue Low, Brooklyn UMC	
Robyn Mason, Southcross Community	
Sheila Meschke, Faith Covenant	

UNIDOS EN CRISTO WEB SITE: The web site has changed to **UnidosenCristo.com**.

PALANCA PRESS ON THE WEB: The Palanca Press is being posted to the 4th Day area of the web page www.unidosencristo.com. Currently, we mail 4,200+ Palanca Presses four times each year. Even using the Non-Profit Bulk Rate this cost is \$600 per mailing. If you are trying to reduce the amount of paper in your house and would like to receive an email notification each time a new Palanca Press is available—and read it online—please send an email to unidosencristo@mn.rr.com, providing your email address. Please be assured that your email address will only be used for Unidos en Cristo communications. The Palanca Press is being posted to the 4th Day area of the web page. **The password for the 4th DAY area of the Unidos en Cristo web site is "4444444".**

TEAM COVENANT: To assure that all team members read and sign the team covenant, a new procedure has been adopted. At the first team meeting for each weekend, team members will be asked to read and sign a copy of the covenant.

UNIDOS EN CRISTO TEAM COVENANT

As a team member I enter into a covenant with other team members to provide a grace-filled experience of Jesus Christ for the participating weekenders. Therefore, I pledge to the best of my ability and with God's help:

- To model a Christian lifestyle, using God's word as my guide. (PIETY/STUDY)
- To maintain a team spirit, and (ACTION)
- To prayerfully support the leadership of the Rector/Rectora and Spiritual Directors during the months of preparation and the weekend itself. (ACTION)

I understand that the focus of Unidos en Cristo weekends must be on the weekenders so I am willing to set aside my individual preferences for the good of the team and for a weekend that gives glory to God.

Unidos en Cristo Weekend Watch

Weekend:	# 201 (Men)	# 202 (Women)	# 203 (Men)	# 204 (Women)
Date:	July 29 – Aug. 1, 2004 Faith Presbyterian Minnetonka	August 5 – 8, 2004 Faith Presbyterian Minnetonka	October 28 – 31, 2004 Rosemount UMC, Rosemount	November 4 – 7, 2004 Rosemount UMC, Rosemount
Rector(a) Spiritual Director Asst. Spiritual Director Palanca Spiritual Director	Paul Tesarek	Linda Shirley Deb DeMeester		
Weekender Application Dates:	May 18 – June 15*	May 18 – June 15*	August 17 – Sept. 14*	August 17 – Sept. 14*
Weekend:	# 205 (Men)	# 206 (Women)		
Date:	Jan 20 – 23, 2005 Wayzata Community	Jan 27 – 30, 2005 Wayzata Community		
Rector(a) Spiritual Director Asst. Spiritual Director Palanca Spiritual Director				
Weekender Application Dates:	Nov. 9 – December 7*	Nov. 9 – December 7*		

* Preference will be given to applications received during this time frame; however, applications will be accepted after these dates if the weekend hasn't filled. If you find that you have a weekender that could attend an upcoming weekend after the printed applications dates, the church liaison should contact Don Henrich to determine if there are still spaces available. Reminder: **application fees** are now \$30.

*****ATTENTION LIAISONS *****

THERE IS A NEW ALLOCATIONS COORDINATOR, PLEASE SEE BELOW:

WEEKENDER APPLICATIONS should be sent to Don Henrich, 4113 W. 45th St, Edina, MN 55424. Phone: 952-922-4918. Email: allocations@unidosencristo.com.

TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC) is an opportunity for teenagers (grades 10-12 recommended) to share their faith with other teens in a manner patterned after Cursillo/Unidos en Cristo. Contact the Team Application individual listed below if you would like to serve as an Adult Leader on a weekend.

UNITED TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (UTECH)	www.unitedtec.org	SOUTHERN MINNESOTA TEC	www.southerntec.org
Convenor	Kurt Kroening 952.920.8207	Convenor	Rod Johnson 507-373-3266
Weekender Allocations	Terry Lijweski 952-461-3699	Weekender Apps	Leon Gregg 507-288-2347
Adult Allocations	Jenni Widdifield 612-825-5784	Team Apps	Chris Barber 507-346-2965
Student Team Allocations	Terri Eggleston 763-421-4368		

TEC #63 at Faith Covenant, Burnsville, April 30 – May 2
TEC #64 at Brooklyn Park UMC, July 9-11
TEC #65 at Trinity Lutheran Hudson, WI November 5-7

TEC #55 at First Lutheran, Albert Lea, April 22-25
TEC #56 at Christ UMC – Rochester, July 22-25

Greetings Dear Friends!

As this Unidos en Cristo (UEC) Council began its' term last September, we realized that the vast majority of ministry mission statements and job descriptions had not been updated for many years! So, beginning last fall, we have been working on a comprehensive review of all UEC ministries and updating ministry mission statements, job descriptions and vital action guidelines. We are pleased to report that, by the time we complete our May meeting, the following ministry mission statements, job descriptions and action guidelines should be completed: Allocations, Post Unidos, Palanca, Communications (Palanca Press), New Churches, Clergy, Site Selection, Supplies and Secretary. Following are several update highlights on a couple of our most vital ministries:

ALLOCATIONS MINISTRY (Effective May 1, Don Henrich replaces Mary Hacker as Allocations Coordinator - see further details in the Weekend watch section. Mary has resigned from the Council effective May 1 to pursue ministry opportunities)

- Renewed commitment to actively honor weekender applications that are received during the published Applications window. This means that most single women applicants will now have the same chance of acceptance as married couples and single men.
- Renewed commitment that a husband/wife must attend succeeding weekends with rare exceptions.

CHURCH LIAISONS MINISTRY (This new ministry combines the Liaison portion of the Allocations Ministry and the Post-Unidos Ministry)

- Establish consistent, useful and regular Council/local church communications
- Update local church liaison and clergy contact information
- Develop a local church liaison manual. Manual will detail Allocation policies and procedures and other liaison related materials such as applications, brochures, Ultreya ideas, etc.
- Encourage local liaisons in training sponsors and encourage effective weekend aftercare
- Develop and encourage local church Ultreyas

It is our prayer, that as fellow believers and members of Unidos en Cristo, we join together to:

- Focus on Christ - not on denominational or doctrinal issues
- Celebrate the love and joy of shared commitment and service
- Honor Christ in all we do

May God richly bless you,
Glen Karlgaard, Convenor



To all musicians: If you are interested in helping with Clausura music, please meet at the host church by 3:30 p.m. on Sunday to tune instruments and to receive the play list and instructions from the lead musician.

In Loving Memory - We celebrate the lives of our brothers in Christ, Rick Beckman (#71), Rube Patrikus (#197) and Dick Schluter (#53) who have entered their *Fifth Day* and are now in our LORD's glorious presence. Unidos en Cristo has received a memorial in memory of Rick Beckman (#71).

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: Rick Pavelka, 254 Holly Road, Hopkins, MN 55343. If you know of a Cursillista who has entered his or her Fifth Day, please email the Communications Coordinator (palanca_press@unidosencristo.com) with the 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.

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CORRECT AND CURRENT INFORMATION NEEDED

SEND CORRECTION FORM TO:

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or call:
952-835-0301
or email:
database@unidosencristo.com

Name _____

Old Address _____

Old Phone # _____

New Address _____

New Phone # _____

Present Church Membership _____

Date new info will be in effect _____

Signature _____