



Family Night Gathering! Supper Sign Up

5:15-6:15 p.m. in the FMC Gym
RSVP by the Sunday prior at 5 p.m.
Sign up available online as well!
Nursery will be provided through
dinner and bible study.

March 6
Soup and Sandwich Night

March 13
BBQ Night

March 20
Baked ham, au gratin potatoes, green
beans, rolls, salad

Cost: \$7.00 per person
Family max: \$28.00

***Pay at the door (exact cash please)**

Name:

Total Number Attending:
(Adults & Children)

My children (4yrs - 5th grade) will be
staying for the children's activity.

Yes No
(please circle one)

**As faithful stewards, we promise to support the
Church with our prayers, presence, gifts, service
and witness.**

CONGREGATIONAL UPDATES:
As of Feb. 29

IN MEMORIAM

We extend our sympathy to the following
families at the loss of their loved one

Rev. Robert "Bob" E. McClintock
May 22, 1930 - February 2024

Joan Bickley in the loss of her brother,
Rev. James F. Shealy

William "Luke" L. Utter
June 17, 1929 - February 28, 2024

*Your pastors want to give you care and be in prayer for you. If you or some-
one in your family is in the hospital or having surgery, please let us know.*

For a complete list of our staff,
please see our website at
www.UnionIrmo.org

PRESENCE

Worship Update	Feb. 25
Worship:	467
On-line views:	140
Sunday School:	392

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GIFTS

2023 Budget - Weekly Goal \$35,100.00

Week 7, Ending 2/18/2024

Budget Contribution 31,332.81
Building Fund Contribution 5,177.75

Week 8, Ending 2/25/2024

This information is unavailable at this time.

Weekly Schedule

For a complete listing of events for the month,
please visit our website: www.unionirmo.org

Sunday, March 3		
Until 11:00 AM	Youth - Middle School Lock In	FMC Gym
8:30 AM	Distribute Easter Eggs	Narthex
8:30 AM	Youth Easter Egg Fundraiser	Narthex Table
9:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:00 AM	Sunday School & Confirmation	
10:10 AM	UMC 101	MultiPurpose Rm
11:00 AM	Contemporary Worship Service	Sanctuary
2:30 PM	Youth Costa Rica Meeting	EB 106
3:00 PM	Jr. Leaps of Faith Rehearsal	Sanctuary
4:00 PM	Adult Leaps of Faith Rehearsal	Sanctuary
4:30 PM	Youth Free Play Basketball	FMC Gym
4:45 PM	SonZone	EB 205-7
5:00 PM	Youth - ANIKO	FMC Gym
6:00 PM	Disciple 1 Class	F 223
6:00 PM	Disciple 2 Class	F 222
6:30 PM	Jesus in the Gospels Class	LL Fellowship Hall
Monday, March 4		
7:00 AM	Man in the Mirror	LL Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM	Bridge Card Group	LL Fellowship Hall
9:30 AM	Needlers	LL 5
6:00 PM	Basketball Practice	FMC Gym
6:00 PM	Disciple 4 Class	F 223
6:00 PM	New Life S.S. Men's Prayer Meeting	LL 13
6:30 PM	Engage Team Meeting	LL Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM	AA	EB 211 - 213
Tuesday, March 5		
9:00 AM	Banner Babes	LL 11
9:30 AM	Church Staff Meeting	F 223
10:00 AM	Upper Room Bible Study	LL 14
6:30 PM	GriefShare	LL 3 Commons Rm
6:30 PM	UWF Board Meeting	LL 14
6:30 PM	Witness at the Cross Bible Study	LL Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, March 6		
6:00 AM	Iron Men Bible Study	FMC MultiPurpose
10:30 AM	PEP! to Governor's Mansion & State House	Off Premises
5:15 PM	Family Night Supper	FMC Gym
6:15 PM	Handbell Rehearsal	Narthex
6:30 PM	The Holy Mystery Bible Study	LL Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM	Youth Leaps of Faith Rehearsal	LL 11
7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal	LL 10 Choir Room
Thursday, March 7		
12:30 PM	WOW Bible Study	LL 11
6:00 PM	Basketball Practice	FMC Gym
6:30 PM	Leona Hydriek Circle	
7:00 PM	Praise Band Practice	Chapel
Friday, March 8		
6:00 PM	Basketball Practice	FMC Gym
Saturday, March 9		
6:00 AM	Early Morning Basketball- Men's Free Play	FMC Gym
11:00 AM	Memorial Service for Luke Utter	Sanctuary
Sunday, March 10		
8:30 AM	Youth Easter Egg Fundraiser	Narthex Table
9:00 AM	Traditional Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:00 AM	Sunday School & Confirmation	
10:10 AM	UMC 101	MultiPurpose Rm
11:00 AM	Contemporary Worship Service	Sanctuary
12:30 PM	VBS Director Meeting	F 218
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KNOW Christ, SHARE Faith, SHOW Grace
Third Sunday in Lent



March 3, 2024
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"A Daily Diet of Grace" John 6: 32-40

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *I Will Praise Thee, O Lord, My Strength* Benedetto Marcello

***HYMN** Love Divine, All Loves Excelling UMH #384

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed UMH #881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***MUSICAL RESPONSE** *Glory Be to the Father* UMH #71

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, Amen.

MINISTRY MOMENT: SNACKPACK

FIRST SCRIPTURE: Psalm 103: 1-5, 10-18 Pew Bible p. 542-3

CONFESSION & PARDON:

Righteous God, in this world where human life is often exploited and abused, where anger and violence seem normal and where people are labeled and objectified, keep our hearts from being hardened and keep our spirits from losing hope. If we have taken on these values of the world, forgive us. Help us to know and reflect your love and righteousness, and give us courage to challenge the wrongs we see. Through Christ Jesus we pray, Amen.

OFFERTORY *Just As I Am* Howard Helvey

***Doxology:** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***SCRIPTURE: John 6: 32-40** Pew Bible p. 972

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON "A Daily Diet of Grace" Rev. Stephen Taylor

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION Rev. Faye Jones

Christ invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin, and who seek to live in peace with one another. To receive the elements come forward as the ushers direct you. Once you are served, you may pray at the altar, or return to your pew.

Gluten Free Station is set up to the far left of the Sanctuary

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Pastor Continues ... The Great Thanksgiving

Congregation: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Pastor Continues ... as we proclaim the mystery of faith

Congregation: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The Pastor Completes the Thanksgiving.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNION MUSIC:

Let All Moral Flesh Keep Silence

What Wondrous Love is This

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Take Time to Be Holy

UMH #395

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

arr. Kenon Renfrow

WORSHIP TODAY

The lovely flowers are given:

"To the Glory of God and in memory of John's parents, Jack and Norma, and Sue's Dad, Bob."

- John and Sue Gannon

"Given in memory of Beth's father, Danny Findley, on what would have been his 76th birthday."

- Beth and Michael Montgomery

Crucifer – Daniel Leuthner-Barrineau

Acolyte – Gabe Keller

Lay Reader – Jonathan Nash

MUSIC & WORSHIP ARTS

Chancel Choir; Joey Rothfuss, organist

- **PEP! - Bingo & Board Games** - Wednesday, **March 13**, at 1p.m. in the Fellowship Hall! We would love to have you join us!



A Service of Healing: You're invited to our Service of Healing worship event on Sunday, **March 17, 2024** at 6:30 p.m. in our sanctuary. Out of his compassion, Jesus healed people to restore and reconcile the brokenness they experienced. Even now, the church is called to be a place to embrace this work. The purpose of this healing service is to provide a space for healing and wholeness to happen, where hope is renewed, and depleted bodies, minds and souls are touched in an atmosphere where we are confident that God will meet us and fill us! Come, seeking prayer for yourself or pray for someone else. Come let God's healing love surround you. This service is open to the public and all are welcome. For more information or with questions, please connect with us at unionirmoquestions@gmail.com.

- **PEP! - March Event!** - Thursday, **March 21**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a catered meal by The Peanut Man. Our speaker is Officer Christopher Stokes of Irmo Police presenting Safety in the Home and Community. Cost will be \$15 per person, and sign ups are due by Sunday, **March 17**. Sign ups will be in Sunday School boxes. Any questions about these events or to get involved, please contact Phyllis Plyler at phyllisplyler@gmail.com.



- **Easter Egg Hunt!** - Save the Date and plan to join us for our Annual Egg Hunt on Saturday, **March 23**, at 10 a.m.! Families will hunt together for treat filled eggs. Meet us in the FMC Gym for games and crafts! And parents, the SIPS coffee truck will be here for you to purchase your morning coffee (or tea or hot chocolate) to help keep up with all the fun! **HAPPY EASTER!!**



- **The Wilson Circle Book Club** - We will discuss *Daughter of Cana* by Angelia Hart on **March 12**. Our book for our April 9 meeting is *Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother's Will to Survive* by Stephanie Land. This meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall following the regular meeting of the Wilson Circle which begins at 12:00 p.m. If you are attending the Book Club but not the circle, please plan to arrive at 1:10 p.m. If you have questions, please contact Harriet Simpson at 803-530-5060 or Becky Dixon at 803-361-5046.

- **We're welcoming new members** at both services on Sunday, **March 17!** If you're thinking about joining the Union family, this would be a perfect opportunity! Please get in contact with Erin at Erin@unionirmo.org about your desire to join.

- **Vacation Bible School is coming!** Let's go camping **June 17-20**, Monday thru Thursday. (*Notice we have shifted our days this year*). We will be heading to "Camp Firelight: A summer camp adventure with God." Volunteer sign up will be coming soon. We will need many prayers in the planning, help with small groups, registration, crafts and recreation. Start thinking and planning to camp out with us this summer.

- **Best of Niagara Falls, Canada, and the Amish Country Trip** - This is a PEP! trip, but is open to all family and friends. Also included: Daniel at the Sight & Sound Theatre. Trip starts **July 13, 2024**. Meals included are 5 Continental Breakfasts and 3 Dinners. Price per person: Double: \$1389; Triple: \$1279; Quad: \$1225; Single: \$1779. Deposit of \$350 per person and insurance is due at the time of booking. *Claim your spot now!* Final payment is due June 13, 2024. Please contact Faye Bailey at fayebailey424@gmail.com or 803.331.4349 for itinerary, reservation forms and questions.

- **The March newsletter is out!** If you are interested in receiving this publication in your mailbox (email or post!), please call the church office, or fill out the form on our website.

Congregational Concerns

If you have a prayer concern, please write the information below and place it in the offering basket. You may also fill out the Prayer Request form on our website or you can email it to: Prayers@UnionIrmo.org.

Share with:

Pastors

Prayer Team

Prayer Requests...

Name (optional)

ANNOUNCEMENTS: MARCH 3, 2024

- **Will you help us get ready for the hunt?** Help us by filling some Easter eggs with individually wrapped candies, small toys or stickers. We will have empty eggs ready to be picked up in the narthex today, **March 3** after 9 and 11 a.m. worship services. We will need the filled eggs back by **March 17**.

- **Interested in Pickleball?** Union's Leisure Team announces Pickleball available in the FMC Gym! Coach Amy Conley will lead a free Introduction to Pickleball on Tuesday, **March 5**, 9 a.m. No experience necessary. Spaces are limited. Sign up at Welcome Desk or Church Office. Full Pickleball program will launch soon. Church website will be updated as details become available.

- **Man in the Mirror** is starting a new 4-week book study on *The Case for Easter: Evidence for the Resurrection of Jesus* by Lee Strobel tomorrow, **March 4**, at 7 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All men are encouraged to attend!

* Please stand as you are able. Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.
NURSERY available in the Family Ministry Center: exit the hallway at the front right of the Sanctuary and take elevators to lower level.

UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS - The Faith We Sing Hymnal
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