# **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...

2024 Budget - Weekly Goal \$36,118

### Week 15, Ending 4/14/2024

**Budget Contribution Building Fund Contribution**  22,293,25 5,066.69

As faithful stewards, we promise to support the Church with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS As of April 18

### **IN MEMORIAM**

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

John May in the loss of his father, **Robert Johnston May Sr.** 

**Eloise New** October 3, 1930 - April 19, 2024

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

# **PRESENCE**

**Worship Update** 

April 21

This information is unavailable at this time.

Name (optional)

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5th Sunday of Easter DAY SCHOOL SUNDAY April 28, 2024 www.UnionIrmo.org

# "The Pruning Season"

Welcome Music

**Announcements** Ministry Moment: Union Day School

First Scripture: Proverbs 3: 7-12 Music & Offertory

Prayer

Children's Church Dismissal

Friendly Reminder: Children ages 3yrs-Kindergarten only
Children's Church takes place in the <u>Wesley Center</u>.
Children are to be picked up from this location following the service.

Second Scripture: John 15: 1-11 Sermon: "The Pruning Season" Prayers of the People Benediction Music

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS for April 28, 2024**

- **UWF Bunco Night** - All ladies are welcome to join us for an evening of fun! Ladies Bunco Night will be Tuesday, April 30, at 6 p.m. in the FMC Gym. No Bunco experience necessary. Light refreshments will be served and much fun and fellowship will be had. Please register for this event on our website by today,

April 28 so we have enough tables set up for all to play! Registration for this event is \$25 to be collected at the door (cash or check payable to Union UMW), and all proceeds will go to the Snack Pack program through the Martha Circle.

- A Girl Scout Troop is starting in the Irmo area. There will be an interest meeting at Bethlehem Lutheran Church at 10000 Broad River Road, Irmo, SC 29063, on Tuesday, April 30, at 6 p.m. This meeting will be for girls and their parents who will be in Kindergarten through 12th grade (for the 2024-25 school year) who are interested in becoming a Girl Scout. If you have any questions, please reach out to Marie Waldrop at pinkiris 13@gmail.com.
- PEP! Bingo & Board Games Wednesday, May 8, at 1p.m. in the Fellowship Hall! We would love to have you join us!
- Union's Leisure Ministries Team is offering a one time Line Dancing Class led by our own Linda Caldwell, our Dance Ministry lead choreographer. Linda will lead us in some old favorites like Electric Slide as well as newer line dances! Headed to a summer wedding? Catch up on the latest moves. All ages are welcome and no dance experience is needed! It's all just for fun and fellowship! Class will be held Saturday, May 11, 10-11:30 a.m. in the FMC Gym. Sign up in Sunday School or the Welcome Desk or call the church office so we know how many to expect. Got questions? Email us at: UnionIrmoLeisureTeam@gmail.com.



- The Wilson Circle Book Club The book for our May 14 meeting is Small Great Things by Jodi Picoult. These meetings 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-
- PEP! May Event! Thursday, May 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Ministry Center Gym. Our May patriotic program will be presented by our Director of Music Ministries, Frank Turner, and some of his IHS choral students. We will have a catered meal and the cost will be \$15 per person. Sign ups are due by Sunday, May 19. Sign ups will be in Sunday School boxes. If you have any questions about this event, or you would like to get involved, please contact Phyllis Plyler at phyllisplyler@amail.com.
- Bus Drivers Needed! Our Costa Rica Missions team is seeking volunteers to help drive busses to Charlotte, NC for departure and arrival home. The team will need to leave for Charlotte on June 8 by 6 a.m. for departure at 11:15 a.m., and arrival home in Charlotte on June 15 at 8:40 p.m. If you would like to help, please contact Chris Elvis at ccelvis3@gmail.com or 803-528-5384 or Eleanor Cannon at eleanor@unionirmo.org by June 1.
- Fireflies Baseball Game! We are so excited about Vacation Bible School this summer and hope you will join us for a week of Camp Firelight fun. Whether you will be with us all week or not we hope you will join us at the Fireflies! On June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:05 p.m., we wrap up our week with time together at a baseball game. Invite friends and family. Get your tickets now: https://fevo-enterprise.com/event/UnionUMC
- 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@qmail.com or 803.331.4349 for itinerary, reservation forms and questions.
- Adult Pickleball Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday are Pickleball Days, with Leisure Ministries Team hosting several Open Play times. \*Open play does not require court reservations.\* **Pickleball** will not be available during weeks where the gym is reserved for events, such as the Joy Class Garage Sale or Vacation Bible School. Please check the calendar on our website for the most up to date information.
  - Tuesdays 10am-12pm / 6pm-8pm Open Play (12pm-6pm available for reserved play)
  - Wednesdays 6:30pm-8pm Open Play
- Fridays 10am-12pm Open Play (12pm-5pm available for reserved play) Come ready to play or watch! Paddles are available for use. ALL PLAYERS MUST SIGN LIABILITY WAIVER. To reserve private court time and paddles, scan the QR code on the right. If you have any questions, please email UnionIrmoLeisureTeam@gmail.com



- Lost and Found - Are you missing a set of keys or maybe some eyeglasses? We have many of these items and much more in our lost and found collection. Please check the reception desk during the week or call the office to retrieve a lost item.

# We're continuing to pray over General Conference. Would you join us?

Pick up a devotional guide in the narthex.

(It's also available on our website on our home page and under the "More" tab)

- Sign up for a prayer vigil time slot. Time slots are available from 9 a.m.- 1 p.m.

and more than one person can sign up for a slot!

You can set aside this time during your day to pray for General Conference, OR you can set aside time to be here, at Union, in prayer. We have set aside space in the library, LL 13, for this purpose for those who are interested.

- Keep an eye out for our social media posts praying for General Conference and share it! The more people praying for them, their discernment and wisdom, the better!

Thank you for joining with us in praying for General Conference!



# Vacation Bible School is coming!



Are you ready for a week of Camp fun? Join us for Vacation Bible School as we head to "Camp Firelight: A summer camp adventure with God." June 17-20 (Mon-Thurs) from

6:15-8 p.m.

The QR codes below are active and ready to hear from you!

**Volunteers** - let us know how vou can help! Some areas we will need help are: small group leaders, crafts, recreation, pack snack bags (before our week), traffic, and prayers for all our team and participants.



Volunteer

Parent Sign Up -



Parents - sign your kids up! (Please fill out a separate form for each child).

Be on the look out for our VBS friend Lumen...he will be stopping to check on preparations and be with us all week as we learn about God's love!



WILL YOU SERVE AT THE COFFEE CART? SCAN THE OR CODE BELOW AND PICK A DATE THAT WORKS FOR YOU!



# Please join the NIKKI CIRCLE

**2024 SPRING MEETING DATES** APRIL 28TH - 4PM

Little Ladies Circle for ages 4-5th grade Devotions, fellowship and fun Meet on the playground or Wesley Center for weather

More info email mgcochcroft@gmail.com or smarant9@hotmail.com