

## 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@Unionlrmo.org. Share with:

- Pastors
- Prayer Team

Prayer Requests...

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

### CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS As of May 8

*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.*

Check out our calendar at  
Unionlrmo.org  
for a complete listing of events,  
services, & activities!

Name (optional)

## PRESENCE

Worship Update	May 5
Worship:	398
On-line views:	90
Sunday School:	332

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## GIFTS

2024 Budget - Weekly Goal \$36,118

### Week 18, Ending 5/5/2024

Budget Contribution	35,100.18
Building Fund Contribution	7,169.87



KNOW Christ,  
SHARE Faith,  
SHOW Grace  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
Mother's Day  
May 12, 2024  
[www.Unionlrmo.org](http://www.Unionlrmo.org)

## "Comfort Ye"

Welcome

Music

Announcements

Ministry Moment: Epworth Children's Home

First Scripture: Proverbs 31: 10, 17-22, 25-30

Music & Offertory

Prayer

Children's Church Dismissal

**Friendly Reminder: Children ages 3yrs-Kindergarten only**  
Children's Church takes place in F222 just outside the Sanctuary. Children are to be picked up from this location following the service.

Second Scripture: Matthew 11: 28-30

Sermon: "Comfort Ye"


Prayers of the People

Benediction

Music

## ANNOUNCEMENTS for May 12, 2024

**- TODAY WE GIVE TO THE EPWORTH MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING!** Today our church will receive the Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering to provide loving care, safety, and services for the children at Epworth Children's Home. Epworth's care breaks the destructive cycle and encourages children to aim higher in life. The physical, emotional, academic, and spiritual care they receive transforms their lives. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. Give generously by using the envelope provided for you in the bulletin. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them online at [www.epworthchildrenshome.org](http://www.epworthchildrenshome.org) where you can also choose to make a secure credit card donation or enroll for monthly contributions.

 **- The Wilson Circle Book Club** meets Tuesday, **May 14**, at 1pm at LakeView Retirement Community (2134 N. Lake Drive, Columbia, SC 29212) to discuss the book, *Small Great Things*, a novel by Jodi Picoult. **PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS A CHANGE FROM OUR REGULAR MEETING PLACE!** The Wilson Circle is meeting for lunch at Lake View at 11:30am. Book Club participants who would like to join us for lunch are asked to contact Jean Peaden (803-727-6123) to let her know they are coming. **This is the last meeting of the book club before taking a break for the summer months.**

**- June/July Newsletter deadline** is Wednesday, **May 15**. If you have an announcement or story you would like included in our summer newsletter for June and July, please send it to Amy by May 15. Email: [amy@unionlrmo.org](mailto:amy@unionlrmo.org)

- **Next Sunday, May 19** - We look forward to having our own John Gannon of The Gideons International to present our ministry moment on their mission and ministries.

- **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 by Shealy's Bar-B-Que 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@gmail.com.

- **Hikepaths - Thursday, May 23 Hike**- Join us for a daytrip to Dupont State Forest between Flat Rock, NC and Brevard, NC to enjoy numerous waterfalls, a covered bridge and mountain scenery. Trails are moderate to strenuous. Check out their website at: dupontstatercreationalforest.com. We will leave the Union bus parking lot at 7:30am. Be sure to bring: snacks, drinks, and a poncho. Lunch will be at one of several restaurants in Flat Rock. Travel time is ~2hr, 20 min., estimated bus fuel to be consumed is 26gals, cost will be divided among riders. We will return to Irmo ~4:30pm.

- **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**.

- **Parents Time Out - June 15**, 11-2 p.m. Children from infant to 1st grade \$10 per child, includes snack. (Let us know of any allergies, when you sign up.) RSVP by the Wednesday before to: AndreaMarie6368@gmail.com.

- **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.

- **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.

- **Important Note: Construction at UUMC** - We are replacing and repairing sidewalks around our church campus **May 20-24**. Specifically, the bridge and the main entrance to the FMC offices will be closed. **For access to the FMC during this time, please use the narthex doors and enter through the sanctuary.** Also, please use caution along the front driveway and in the area directly in front of the Wesley Center. For the safety of all, please follow instructions on the signs and cones.



### SonZone!

All 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us in our end of the year fun - **May 19<sup>th</sup>** at 4:30pm (notice time change). We will meet on the front lawn for some soapy fun when Foam Parties of the Midlands brings the fun!

We will NOT meet this Sunday, **May 12<sup>th</sup>**, enjoy celebrating your Mother's!



### 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 you 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 Sign Up -



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 QR CODE BELOW AND PICK A DATE THAT WORKS FOR YOU!



**Save the Date** and help us celebrate as we close our VBS week at a

Fireflies baseball game!  
**June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:05 p.m.**

Invite friends and family for a night at the ball field. Tickets are \$11 each. Get your tickets now!

