



UNION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

KNOW Christ,

SHARE Faith,

SHOW Grace

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 1, 2026

"Holy Conversations: Jesus and the Samaritan Woman"

Welcome

Music

Announcements

First Scripture: Psalm 145: 1-7, 21

Second Scripture: John 4: 4-26, 28-29

Sermon: "Holy Conversations:
Jesus and the Samaritan Woman"

Rev. Faye Jones

Prayer

Music

Benediction

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

CONGREGATIONAL UPDATES:
As of January 29

IN MEMORIAM

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

Rev. Paul Edwin Van Dine
June 19, 1939 - January 25, 2026

Virginia "Jenny" Gwendolyn Sizemore
May 24, 1934 - January 23, 2026

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 upcoming events and other announcements on the following pages!

GIFTS **Week 4, Ending 1/25/2026**

Operating Fund	Last Week	2026 Year to Date
Required Giving	\$34,167	\$136,668
Actual Giving	\$32,245	\$170,802
Over / (Under) Required Giving	(\$1,922)	\$34,134
Building Fund	\$11,231	\$29,211

PRESENCE

Worship Update	Jan. 25
Worship:	snow day
On-line views:	539
Sunday School:	snow day

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ANNOUNCEMENTS: FEBRUARY 1, 2026

- **Souper Bowl of Caring:** Bring your spare change/cash for Souper Bowl Sunday, **February 8**. We will have youth in the Narthex after both services collecting donations for Sharing God's Love!



- The next meeting of the **Wilson Circle Book Club** is on Tuesday, **February 10, 2026** at 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be discussing the book, *What We Remember Will Be Saved: A Story of Refugees and the Things They Carry* by Stephanie Saldaña. Saldaña, a journalist and scholar who lived in Syria before the war, journeys across nine countries to meet refugees and learn what they took with them when they escaped. What she discovered was little things matter a great deal. Saldaña introduces us to "a woman who saved her city in a dress, a musician who saved his stories in songs, and a couple who rebuilt their destroyed pharmacy even as the city around them fell apart." She shows the reader a religiously diverse corner of the Middle East on the edge of unraveling and the people keeping it alive with their stories.

There are 3 copies of the book in the UWF collection in the Church Library, one copy in the Lexington Public Library, and a copy in Hoopla through the Richland Public Library. You do not need to be a member of the Wilson Circle to participate in the Book Club. All are welcome to join us. If you have questions, please contact Harriet Simpson at 803-530-5060 or Becky Dixon at 803-361-5046.

- **PEP! - Bingo & Board Games** - Wednesday, **February 11** at 1pm in the Fellowship Hall! All are welcome!

- **UUMC Phone System- New Date** - Union is updating our phone system on **February 16, 2026** while the office is closed. You will not be able to call the church on Monday, February 16. We are hoping to have it completed in one day. Please be patient with us as we learn a new system in the coming weeks!



- **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** - Our famous fun-loving Pancake Men are returning to invite you to our churchwide Pancake Supper on Shrove Tuesday, **February 17**, 5:30-7pm in the FMC gym. This is always such a great time to get together with the whole Union family and guests. There will be plenty of pancakes, sausage, music and fun! And don't forget our Silent Auction! New Life Class will be selling tickets soon!! Mark your calendars now!



- **Summer 2026 Mission Trip - June 14-20** - This summer we will head to serve with the Appalachia Service Project. We will work through direct service on some home rehab projects along with regional education and cultural immersion for the community we are serving in. This trip is open to the whole church as we need adult leaders who have construction skills to lead our teams on the sites. For youth, you must have completed 6th grade to attend. [HARD DEADLINE OF 2/23 TO REGISTER](#). Cost is \$425. Financial assistance is available - if needed, contact Thomas at thomas@unionirmo.org. Sign up today with the QR code!



- **Save the Date for our Easter Egg Hunt! - March 28 at 10am** - Open to all ages, where families hunt together. There will be games, crafts, The Big Hunt and coffee for parents to keep up (free).

We need your help with one of our crafts during the Egg Hunt. We will be creating Resurrection Eggs for the kids to take home and share the story of Jesus with their family and friends. This means we need some Egg Cartons. Will you start saving your egg cartons for us to us? Our goal is to collect 100 egg cartons. There will be a box in the Narthex near the flower calendar to put your egg cartons in or bring them to Suzy's office.

- If you requested **Giving Envelopes for 2026**, they are available for pick up in the narthex. The envelopes are organized by last name. Thanks!

- **Parking Reminder:** Kindly avoid parking on the sidewalks in front of the chapel and sanctuary. Let's be considerate of our neighbors and ensure the sidewalks remain clear for pedestrians. Thank you!

- **PEP! Trip: Washington, DC** – America's 250th Celebration - **September 2, 2026** | 5 Days - Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary with Union UMC PEP! on a guided Grand Tour of Washington, DC, including Monticello, Arlington National Cemetery, Smithsonian Museums, National Cathedral, Memorials, Mt. Vernon, DC sightseeing and more. Meals included: 4 Continental Breakfasts, 2 Lunches & 2 Dinners. Pricing per person: Double \$1,345 | Triple \$1,255 | Quad \$1,215 | Single \$1,659; Deposit: \$350 per person — paid directly to Christian Tours. Early booking discounts available thru May 30. To reserve: Contact Christian Tours at 800-476-3900 —Important! When reserving, be sure to mention Union UMC, Irmo SC. Contact Faye Bailey at (803) 331-4349 | fayebailey424@gmail.com with questions.

Check out more upcoming events on the next two pages!



SUPER BOWL SUNDAY GRAB & GO PULLED PORK BBQ

Support the Pathfinders Sunday School Class
Funds raised assist local missions

BBQ order forms are in
the narthex!

Pre-order in
Narthex Jan. 18 & 25
or in Adult Sunday
School Classes
Jan. 18-Feb. 1

\$16 per lb.
OR
\$70 for 5 lbs.
(packaged in
5-1 lb. tubs)

Pick up
FMC kitchen
February 8
10:00 am-12:15 pm
Pre-orders only

*cash or check made payable to Pathfinders Class or
Venmo: @jenni-farmer-1
Paypal: jennifarmer0228@yahoo.com

Any BBQ Orders need to
be placed by midnight
tonight! (Feb. 1)

Scan the QR code below to
place your order now!



Any questions,
please email Lee Hogan at
leehogan2001@gmail.com

BEFORE THE BELL HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY!

FEBRUARY 4, 11, 25
MARCH 11 & 18
APRIL 1, 15, 22, 29



LATE START
WEDNESDAYS
7:45-8:45AM

LOCATION: SONIC (BALLENTINE)
1150 DUTCH FORK RD, IRMO, SC 29063

QUESTIONS? CONTACT THOMAS OR REV. FAYE
THOMAS@UNIONIRMO.ORG OR FAYE@UNIONIRMO.ORG

PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN BIBLE STUDY

February 11

March 11

February 25

March 25

Meets in LL3 at 6:20pm. Childcare is provided!

Contact jsr8716@gmail.com
for more information

Updated Schedules for Our Kid's and Youth Worship Choirs Below!

Both groups meet in the Underground
(EB 106) if your child or youth is interested.

Kids Worship Schedule- 5:15-6:00



Jan 11
Jan. 18
Jan. 25
Feb 1
Feb 8
Feb 15
Feb 22
March 8
March 15
March 22
April 12
April 19
April 26
May 17

Youth Worship Schedule

Jan 11 4:45-5:30
Jan 25 4:45-5:30
Feb 8 4:45- 5:30
Feb 22- 4:45-5:30
March 1 Youth Band
March 8 4:45-5:30
March 22 4:45-5:30
March 29 Youth Band
April 19 4:45-5:30
April 26 4:45-5:30
May 3 Youth Band
May 17- 4:45-5:30



Ash Wednesday Service

February 18
7 p.m.



Rise Against Hunger works in countries worldwide to fight hunger, targeting communities facing high rates of food insecurity.

Join the movement!
Will you join us for an exciting, hands-on volunteer opportunity to package meals for global hunger relief?

February 25 6:30pm



Scan to sign up today!

If you want to join us for dinner before packing, scan QR code below.

Cost: \$10;
Menu: chicken bog, side salad, green beans & roll



Sunday!

February 22, 2026

Join us at both services on Sunday, February 22, to learn more about our Day School and how we can support this ministry!

Drop by the Wesley Center at 10 a.m. to say hello to some of our Day School families!

Congratulations!
Women of Union United Methodist Church on your participation in United Women in Faith (formerly United Methodist Women)

For the Past 125 Years!

Come Help us Celebrate this Achievement at Our Grits, Grace and Gratitude Brunch

Saturday, March 14, 2026
Family Ministry Center
10:00am—12:00pm

Sign Up On-Line at unionirmo.org or use this QR code.

Grit Perseverence Leadership Resilience Mission Connect Character
Nurture Family Spiritual Fellowship Strong Expanding Courage Impact
Empower Education Grace Kindness Thriving Mercy Purpose
Come See How our UWF Ladies Embody this
Compassion Opportunity Inspire Influence **Gratitude**
Powerful Mindset
United Women in Faith
Impact Thankfulness Blessings Grateful Well-Being Children Together
Developing Ministry Innovation Acceptance Optimism Productive