

## Lenten Wednesday Suppers!

Join us on Wednesday evenings through the spring for supper and fellowship. Dinner is 5:30-6pm in the FMC Gym; study is 6:15-7:15pm in the Fellowship Hall. Sign ups are available online as well, scan the QR code on the right. RSVPs are due by the Sunday prior at 5pm.

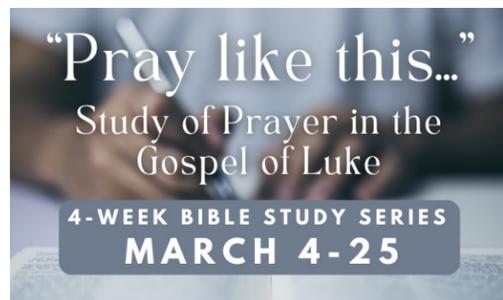
### Wednesday Night Schedule

- Feb. 25 - Rise Against Hunger Night; dinner (chicken bog) & activity; see the image inside the bulletin for more details
- March 4 - Pizza Night catered by Lil House of Pizza
- March 11 - Sub Night catered by Groucho's Deli
- March 18 - Taco Night catered by Moe's
- March 25 - Baked Ziti, salad & garlic bread catered by Lil House of Pizza
- Check if your child needs nursery.

Cost per person for dinner is \$10. (Union's cost per person is ~\$14.)

Name:

Total Number Attending:  
(Adults & Children)



Join us each Wednesday evening in March as we grow deeper in faith and fellowship through the study of the Scriptures.

Together, we will explore how Jesus prayed, what He taught about prayer, and how we can strengthen our own prayer lives through His example.

Bring your Bible, a notebook, and an open heart ready for prayer. Come ready to learn, reflect, and draw closer to God. We look forward to growing in prayer together!

Register for this study with the QR code on the right, or by visiting our website.

If you can't meet in-person, join us via Zoom Meeting with the QR code on the left!

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

### CONGREGATIONAL UPDATES: As of February 18

#### ROSEBUD (in celebration of the birth of)

Katherine Elizabeth Waters was born February 12, 2026. She was born to Adam and Emily Waters. Katherine's proud big brother is Admiral. Her grandparents are Marsha Waters, and Mark and Liz Kellam.

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.

## GIFTS

Week 7, Ending 2/15/2026

Operating Fund	Last Week	2026 Year to Date
Required Giving	\$34,167	\$239,169
Actual Giving	\$31,047	\$287,770
Over / (Under) Required Giving	(\$3,120)	\$48,601
Building Fund	\$7,203	\$65,807

## Weekly Schedule

For a complete listing of events for the month, please visit our website: [www.unionirmo.org](http://www.unionirmo.org)

### Sunday, February 22

All Day Day School Recognition Sunday  
9:00 AM Praise Band Warm-up  
9:00 AM Traditional Worship Service  
10:00 AM Drop-in with our Day School Families  
10:00 AM Sunday School for all ages  
10:00 AM The Village Sunday School Class  
11:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service  
2:30 PM 4th & 5th gr. Girls Basketball Celebration  
4:00 PM SonZone (4th & 5th gr.)  
4:15 PM Junior Leaps of Faith Rehearsal  
4:45 PM Youth Worship Choir Rehearsal  
5:00 PM Adult Leaps of Faith Rehearsal  
5:00 PM Youth ANIKO Fellowship  
5:15 PM Kid's Worship Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 PM Disciple 4

### Monday, February 23

7:00 AM Man in the Mirror  
9:00 AM Bridge Card Group  
9:00 AM Private Pickleball Reservation  
9:30 AM Needlers  
10:00 AM Disciple 1  
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6:00 PM St. Andrews Women's Club Meeting  
6:15 PM Stephen Ministers Meeting  
6:30 PM Church Council Meeting  
7:00 PM AA  
7:00 PM Men's free-play basketball

### Tuesday, February 24

9:00 AM Banner Babes  
10:00 AM Pickleball- Open Play- members & guests  
10:00 AM Upper Room Bible Study  
4:00 PM Private Basketball Practice  
5:15 PM Total Body Workout  
6:00 PM Disciple 1

Chapel  
Sanctuary  
Wesley Center  
  
MultiPurpose Rm  
Sanctuary  
F 227  
Sanctuary  
EB 106- Underground  
Sanctuary  
FMC Gym  
EB 106- Underground  
LL 14

LL Fellowship Hall  
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FMC Gym  
LL 5  
F 223  
LL 14  
LL 10 Choir Room  
LL 11  
LL Fellowship Hall  
EB 211 - 213  
FMC Gym

LL 11  
FMC Gym  
LL 14  
FMC Gym  
Walking Track  
F 223

### Wednesday, February 25

6:00 AM Iron Men Bible Study  
9:00 AM Banner Babes  
3:00 PM Set up for Rise Against Hunger Event  
5:30 PM Wednesday Night Supper  
6:15 PM Parent's of Young Children Bible Study  
6:30 PM Youth Leaps of Faith Rehearsal  
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, February 26

9:00 AM PEP! Outing  
10:00 AM Private Pickleball Reservation  
1:00 PM WOW Bible Study  
4:00 PM Private Basketball Practice  
4:30 PM New Life Mahjong Group  
5:30 PM Joy Class Men's Meal  
6:00 PM Palmetto Mastersingers Rehearsal  
6:00 PM Private Pickleball Reservation  
7:00 PM Domestic Abuse Meeting  
7:00 PM Praise Band Rehearsal

### Friday, February 27

10:00 AM Pickleball- Open Play- members & guests

### Saturday, February 28

All Day MSN Pickleball Tournament & fundraiser

### Sunday, March 1

9:00 AM Praise Band Warm-up  
9:00 AM Traditional Worship Service  
10:00 AM Sunday School for all ages  
11:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service  
1:00 PM Children's Team Mtg (Egg-packing)  
4:00 PM Holy Land Trip Interest Meeting  
4:00 PM SonZone (4th & 5th gr.)  
4:15 PM Junior Leaps of Faith Rehearsal  
5:00 PM Adult Leaps of Faith Rehearsal  
5:00 PM Youth ANIKO Fellowship  
6:00 PM Disciple 4

MultiPurpose Rm  
LL 11  
FMC Gym  
FMC Gym  
LL 3 Commons Rm  
Sanctuary  
LL 10 Choir Room

Off Premises  
FMC 1/2 Gym (kit)  
LL Fellowship Hall  
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## UNION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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# UNION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



KNOW Christ, SHARE Faith, SHOW Grace  
First Sunday in Lent; Day School Sunday

February 22, 2026  
[www.UnionIrmO.org](http://www.UnionIrmO.org)

## "Faith Skills No One Teaches - Rituals"

Luke 4: 16-21

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PRELUDE

Jesus Shall Reign

arr. Wilbur Held

#### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

How Great Thou Art

UMH #77

#### \*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.

#### FIRST SCRIPTURE: Daniel 6: 1-16

Reader: The Holy Scriptures for us the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pew Bible p. 812

#### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER:

O God, we give you thanks for the household of faith. We thank you for those who have lived before us as heirs of your goodness. We have learned ways of faithfulness because of their witness. Enable us so to grow in your love that our lives might reflect Christ's salvation to others. Amen.

#### MINISTRY MOMENT: Union Day School

##### Children's Church Dismissal

Friendly Reminder: Children ages 3yrs-Kindergarten only

Children's Church takes place in the FMC 222 just outside the Sanctuary.

Children are to be picked up from this location following the service.

#### OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Keep Your Lamps

Matthew Jones, percussion

arr. Andre J. Thomas

#### \*DOXOLOGY:

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

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

#### \*SCRIPTURE: Luke 4: 16-21

Leader: The Gospel of our Lord for us the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Pew Bible p. 936

#### SERMON

"Faith Skills No One Teaches - Rituals"

Rev. Stephen Taylor

#### PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

#### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Spirit Song

UMH #347

#### \*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Grace to You

#### \*BENEDICTION

#### \*POSTLUDE

Moderato in D

Alexander Guilmant

## PRESENCE

Worship Update	Feb. 15
Worship:	430
On-line views:	167
Sunday School:	352

## WORSHIP TODAY

### The lovely flowers are given:

"To the Glory of God and in celebration of Tripp's 11<sup>th</sup> birthday."  
- Sam, Mandy, and Sullivan

"Given in joyful recognition of Bill and Barry Lide for 60 years of blessed marriage."

**Acolyte** – Tripp Carter  
**Lay Reader** – Connie Parter-Gatti

**MUSIC & WORSHIP ARTS**  
Chancel Choir; Joey Rothfuss, organist;  
Matthew Jones, percussion

Please don't forget to turn off or mute electronic devices before you enter for worship. Thank you.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS: FEBRUARY 22, 2026

**ASP - 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 6<sup>th</sup> grade to attend. **HARD DEADLINE OF 2/23 (TOMORROW) TO REGISTER.** Cost is \$425. Financial assistance is available - if needed, contact Thomas at thomas@unionirmo.org. Sign up today with the QR code.

**- PEP: People Enjoying People Excursion** - Join us on a trip to the SC State Museum on **February 26, 2026.** Followed by lunch on your own at Brookland Baptist Church. Meet where the buses are parked at 9:15 A.M. You may purchase Museum tickets at the door. Seniors 62+ \$11.00. Add on options are also available. Passengers asked to contribute cash to refilling the gas in the bus prior to returning to the church. Sign up sheets are in the Sunday School classrooms. Contact Faye Bailey 803-331-4349 or fayebailey424@gmail.com. **FIRM DEADLINE: February 22, 2026 (TODAY).** Limited space.

**- A Return to the Holy Land** - Tour groups have returned to Israel. Reverends Stephen and Cynthia Taylor are planning an 8-day trip departing January 11, 2027. If you would like more information about this trip, an Interest Meeting will be held on Sunday, **March 1** at 4 PM, in the Fellowship Hall, or email to stephen@unionirmo.org.

**- UMC101** - Rev. Taylor's introductory course on the United Methodist Church will be offered for three Sundays starting Sunday, **March 8.** Learn about our beliefs, our use of scripture, our history, view of baptism and Holy Communion and our ways of doing ministry. March 8, 15, and 22 in the MultiPurpose Room (off the FMC gym) from 10:10 to 10:50 AM.

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

**- You are warmly invited** to join in supporting Rev. Faye as she returns home to preach at Shady Grove United Methodist Church in St. George, SC for their *Family and Friends Week* on Thursday, **March 12** at 7PM. Shady Grove has graciously extended a special invitation to our Union family, and it would be a blessing to have you there! Let's show our love and support as Pastor Faye shares the Word at her home church. If you would like to attend, please email Pastor Faye at faye@unionirmo.org.

**- PEP! & Youth Night** is Sunday, **March 15.** Join us for Italian Night with our Youth group here at Union. Sign ups will be in SS classes. Cost for the meal will be \$15.00 and due no later than March 8! Join us in FMC at 5pm for an evening of fun!

**- Parents Time Out:** Saturday, **March 21,** from 11am-2pm our nursery team will host a Parent's Time Out. Children infant thru 6 years old are invited to come. Please RSVP to Andrea Williams if your children will attend so we can plan for lunch. Cost is \$10/ child to cover lunch and supplies. Contact Andrea at: nurseryuunc@gmail.com (new email!). Let us know of any allergies when you sign up. We need to know by Wednesday, March 18.

**- Middle School Lock-In** - Registration is open for our middle school lock-in on **March 21!** We will head to Stars and Strikes for bowling, laser tag, and video games and then wrap up the night with ice cream. We will finish Sunday morning after attending worship and Sunday Morning Discipleship together. Cost is \$50. Sign up using the QR code on the right!

\* 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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**- Red Cross Blood Drive - March 22,** 8am-1pm - Be a part of the lifesaving cause and give blood with the American Red Cross at Union in our FMC Gym. To make an appointment, please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter "29063" in the "Find a Blood Drive" search box. Sponsored by the Heritage Circle and The Village Sunday School Class.



**- Revolution - NEW DATES! 3/27-29** This year's theme for Revolution is Seek First, based on Matthew 6:33. This will be an incredible weekend of worship, fellowship, fun, and learning how we can seek God first in all things. We will crash at Union for the weekend and have an awesome time together! **Deadline to register with a tshirt is 2/27!** After that, you can still register up until the event; a tshirt is just not guaranteed. Cost is \$100. Financial assistance is available - if needed, contact Thomas. 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 are making a craft at our Easter Egg Hunt and can use your help with collecting 100 dozen sized Egg Cartons. There is a tub in the narthex or you can bring them by the office. Thank you so much!!!

We will also be handing out empty plastic eggs on March 8 before and after both services. Please help us fill the eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt. The only limit is that the candy be individually wrapped. Please no loose candy.



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?

**This Wednesday!**

**Feb. 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



**Heart 2 Heart SNEAKER BALL**  
For Children • Teens • Families • All Abilities  
♦ Kids must be chaperoned ♦

February 28, 2026  
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM  
Friarsgates Park Gym

Dress Code: Formal Attire with Sneakers  
Colors: Pastel Blue & Peach | Black Background

All Abilities Welcome  
Free Entry Event

Sponsored By:  
Friarsgates Park Gym • Town of Irmo • The Door Homes

Handicap Accessible!

**Congratulations!**



**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** Perseverance 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

## 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  
 Stephen Ministers  
(Would you like a Pastor or Stephen Minister Leader to contact you? If so, please provide your contact information.)

Prayer Requests...

Name (optional)