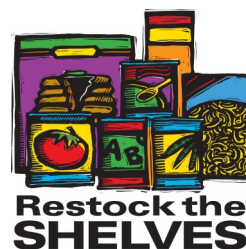


UPS Back Pack Program

Don't forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School Back Pack Program with a specific kind of food. The food item for September is Chef Boyardee Spaghetti O's or Ravioli.



Fall Yard Sale

The Fall Yard Sale is scheduled for the week of September 30 through October 4. If you have any questions, please contact Kathleen Gillespie.

Pancake Breakfast

UMM Pancake Breakfast will be the morning of Saturday October 5. If you would like to purchase a ticket or would like more information, please reach out to any UMM member.

Memorial Gift

One Memorial Gift has been received this week.

Weekly Groups

The study groups will meet as scheduled:

Monday	Good & Beautiful Community	6:30 pm
Tuesday	The Ugly Mug	11:00 am
Wednesday	Bible Study	6:00 pm
Thursday	I Love Growing Older	11:00 am

The choir will meet Wednesday evening at 7 pm.

Dorian Relief Kits

The Holston Conference is collecting relief kits in response to Hurricane Dorian. Please take a moment to look at the insert for more information.

Here is the New Union Primary School Food List :

Jan—Breakfast Cereal	Feb—Single Serve Fruit	Mar—Mac n Cheese
Apr—Juice Boxes	May—Juice Boxes	June—Cash Donation
July—Cash Donation	August—Soup	Sept—Chef Boyardee
Oct—Ramen Noodles	Nov—Breakfast Bars	Dec—Juice Boxes

Food Notes: *Soup (Chicken Noodle or Tomato) *Chef Boyardee (Spaghetti O's or Ravioli) *Ramen Noodles (Chicken or Beef) *Breakfast Bars (Apple/Cinnamon or Strawberry) *Cereal (Small bulk bag 7-9 servings) *Single Serve Fruit (Pears, Peaches, or Fruit Cocktail) *Mac n Cheese (Individual servings) *Juice Boxes (Apple or Grape)

Invitation to Discipleship

What steps must a follower of Jesus take to trust that the fullness of God's presence, who lived in Jesus, is also pleased to dwell in you?

Step 1: Trust that Jesus fulfilled the Old Covenant with a superior circumcision. The Old Covenant's prime directive was to be fruitful and multiply. Circumcision serves as an outward sign that the seed of life belongs to God. Therefore the birth of children fulfill the directive to multiply. The covenant of Circumcision reminds the community of faith that they are caring for God's children. How do the Ten Commandments Place boundaries around the care of God's children? Examine Exodus 20: 1-17 to answer the question.

Step 2: The New Covenant is superior to the Old in every way. As Paul says, On the cross Jesus performs a spiritual circumcision. This circumcision reveals the New Covenant's prime directive. Love God! Love neighbor as God loves you. Love yourself as God loves you. The reason the New Covenant fulfills the Old is because God's love flows with: mercy that forgives sin; the forgiveness of sin is the grace revealed by seeing all sin nailed to the cross. Speaking to us regarding sin Jesus says "It is finished." Sin no longer has the power to separate us from God. Unless your faith is in Sin, instead of Christ.

Step 3: Be baptized in Jesus' death and resurrection. As James Bryan Smith says, in The Good and Beautiful Life, disciples experience the suffering of sin all the time. But because of our faith in the power of Jesus's resurrection we experience sin as something that "remains but no longer reigns." See, how the Old Covenant with it's Law continues to serve its purpose. It makes us aware of our sin, but faith in Christ teaches us to die to sin and rise to faith in Christ. This process is called sanctification. This is the give and receive nature of a relationship with God led by the Holy Spirit through Jesus Christ. Paul says that the legal record of the Law's demands are erased every time we are sanctified by Christ death and resurrection. This we forgive those who trespass against us! The last step in this lesson requires time committed to the above cycle of salvation.

Paul says Christ disarms all leaders and authorities. Friends, do not wait for leaders and authorities to lay down the weapons of judgment, condemnation, exile, threats, false promises, vanity, or slavery. Christ has set us free from them. We see through them! They are the enemies Jesus commands us to love as he loves us. We are called to make of them disciples of Jesus Christ!

What questions do you have? Please put them in writing. I will adjust my sermon calendar to answer your questions. Remember, My purpose is to equip you to take up your cross and follow Jesus. I have little need to submit to the vanity of insisting on my way. I hope that you would do the same. Let us desire to know one another only through Christ crucified and his resurrection.

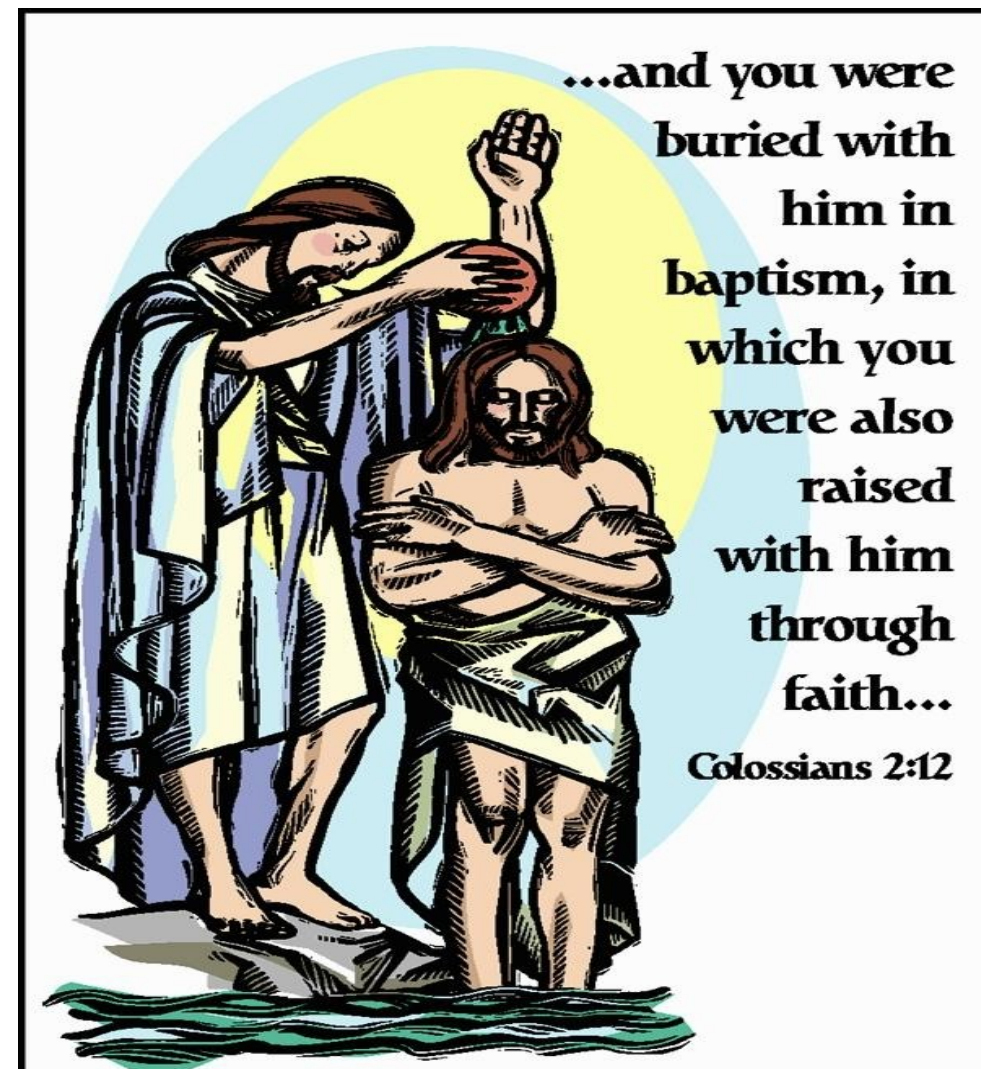
One in Christ,
Robert

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Greeters: Patty Robbins and Joe Toney

Announcements: Christy Smith

Prelude: The Gospel Train, Arranged by Glenda Austin

Lighting of the Candles: Maverick Webb and Jaxon Anderson

***Opening Hymn:** Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty No. 64

Pastoral Welcome

***Statement of Faith** No. 881

Gloria Patri No. 70

Prayer of Preparation

Father, at the right time you came among us. In Jesus, the fullness of your presence was pleased to dwell. How about us?

You warned us not to eat the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. We eat. We judge. We label ourselves and neighbors as good or evil. We die to sin!

You gave us the Law of Moses. With your Commandments written upon our hearts and minds, our eyes open to know our sin. Your Law fulfills its purpose. The fear of being separated now and for eternity from your love creates an ever growing hunger to be in your presence. Is now the time you are pleased to dwell in us?

We confess our hunger for your love. Lord, have mercy; we choose to be taken captive by philosophers, holiday traditions, and charismatic leaders. Their words promise peace, comfort, and unity. Vanity! It is all vanity. They teach us to dress ourselves up on the outside. On the inside, we are held captive in a tomb of death. Is now the time you have prepared to free us from sin and teach us to walk in the light of faith?

Amen

Lord's Prayer

The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Prayer of Blessing

Ushers: Lana Prater, Sandra Rich, Phil Robbins, and John Hagan

Offertory Music: Sweet By and By, Arranged by Mark Hayes

***Doxology** As found at No. 95

Children's Message: Cindy Ashley

Special Music: Jerusalem

***Scripture Reading:** Colossians 2: 8-15 Bill Cole

Homily: Landmark 3: The Cross
(See What Jesus Nailed to the Cross)

Prayer of Invitation

Father, we believe in Jesus Christ. Some of us are ready to see Christ on the cross. Open the eyes of our souls that we may see our sins not in part but the whole. Each day let us see Jesus nailing our sins to the cross. Teach us that faith bears sin no more. Teach us that faith bears Christ.

We humbly ask You to transform our belief into such faith. Give us strength to take up our crosses. Show us faith as a lamp that burns brightly but only when fueled by the oil of your mercy, grace and love. Illumine our way and, like You did for Jesus, lead us out of this tomb of death.

Amen

***Closing Hymn:** Blessed Assurance No. 369

Pastoral Benediction

Postlude: An Irish Blessing, Arranged by Carsten Gerlitz

*Indicates that you may stand, as you are able.
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September



SERVANTS OF GOD

Van Drivers and Riders

1—Kenny & Martha Spurlock
8—Christy Smith & Cathy Galyean
15—Kenny & Martha Spurlock
22—Christy Smith & Diane Botts
29—Kenny & Martha Spurlock

Money Counters

1—Christy Smith, Diane Botts
8—Bill Cole, Tiffany Adams
15—Pat Bowden, Kim Parsons
22—Kenny & Martha Spurlock
29—Christy Smith, Diane Botts

Children's Message

1—Communion Sunday
8—Kim Parsons
15—Cindy Ashley
22—Diane Botts
29—Andrew Holyfield

Scripture Readers

1—Alberta Mitchell
8—Nancy Toney
15—Bill Cole
22—Paula Barton
29—Dana Barlow

Greeters

Patty Robbins and Joe Toney

Announcements

Christy Smith

Ushers

Lana Prater, Sandra Rich, Phil Robbins, and John Hagan

Communion Ushers

Andrea Burlingham, Pat Bowden, Ruben Allman, and Nancy Allman

Fellowship Dinner Hosts

Ashley Turner

September 2019						
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"I HAVE NOT STOPPED GIVING THANKS FOR YOU, REMEMBERING YOU IN MY PRAYERS."
EPHESIANS 1:16, NIV

For Those with Cancer:

Denise Qualls; David Burke (Bubba Burke's Dad); Karrie Compton (Randy & Phyllis Compton's daughter); Zac Carter; Steve Clark; Kamyryn (Patsy Mutter's great granddaughter's sister); Wilma Mills

Facing/Recovering from Surgery/Hospital Stay

Jeff Wright, Jan Tate

Non-Specific Prayers for:

Marion Kocher; Matt Carroll; Bob Horne; Ida McCall; Judy Cole; Maurice & Patsy Lay; Andrew David Hartman; Jack Williams; Bill & Jean Hendrick, Larry Spears; Ann Nickles

- Pray for our Pastor and the Leaders of our church.
- Pray for the Leaders of the United Methodist Church.
- Pray for those in the Church in need.

If you know that someone on the prayer list has passed away, please contact the church office.

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