

CHILDRENS EASTER EGG HUNT – WE NEED WRAPPED CANDY

Event sponsored by **Linda Ballew** and the **Women's Ministry**. Thank you very much ladies! The WRAPPED CANDY is to fill the Easter eggs as well as for prizes. Deadline for candy donations is Sunday April 5th. In the Candy Donation Box, next to the Front Narthex door.

Actual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, April 11th, from 10 AM until Noon.

*Free Coffee (for parents)

*Free Cookies

*Free Punch

*Free Candy

*Free Games

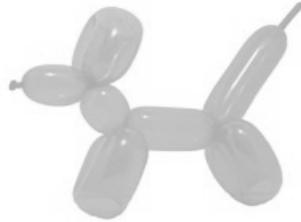
*Free Prizes

and Happy & Tulip's friends will be doing...

*Free Facepainting &

*Free Balloon Twisting

(Are you starting to see a pattern here?) **IT'S ALL FREE !!!**



Mr. Tom Bruno a friend of the church, yearly helps us to publicize this event, plus Biker, and Law Enforcement Sundays. Tom will be bringing 40 foster kids again this year.

You can make a difference by inviting kids (age 3-12) living near to you. There are over a 140 of us. Grab a few **Easter Egg Hunt Flyers** from the table in the foyer to give to your neighbors with kids or place them in their paper box. (Our own **Tom Peebles** invited his neighbors to church a few weeks back – resulting in their Granddaughter regularly attending now. Good Job Tom!)

DEE PINCKARD'S PRAYER FOR PEACE

Pray this out loud: Dear **Lord** your word says, "my peace I give to you." I am standing on this scripture and claiming peace right now in the name of **Jesus**. "**Satan**, in the name of **Jesus**, take your hands off my life. You have no authority here. **Ministering Spirits** go forth and help manifest peace in my life now. I ask this in **Jesus** name. Amen." Keep saying this out loud. "Thank you, **Lord**, for peace in my life." I praise the caring nature of the **Lord**."

Dee Pinckard is Union's Prayer guru 865-567-7676

The Vine

Jesus said: "I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5 NLT



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PASTOR LEONARD'S CORNER...

I am really thankful to be a part of such a great church. Of course, the church is only the people. Thank you for being you.

All our years of ministry (Mary Jo & family) has been in the great State of Tennessee, and of course we are the Volunteer State. How grateful and proud I was when I heard CBS News tell how different the Tennessee people were in the face of a great catastrophe (the tornadoes of middle Tennessee). The reporter said he was impressed that all the victims mentioned **God** in some way. They were thankful for little things like finding their Family Bible when their whole house was gone. It was a great report and sounded off with a great voice "Victory in **Jesus**"!

I am glad, proud, and thankful to be a part of the Great State of Tennessee!

Pastor Leonard Turner 865-966-9040

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER Holy Week is the last week of Lent, when we follow Jesus from Palm Sunday, the Sunday of the Passion, to His death on Good Friday, in preparation for His rising from the dead on Easter Sunday.

Easter Sunday at Union begins with a special 7 AM Sunrise Service in our outside pavilion (behind the kitchen.) Just like two centuries ago, we'll gather to be the first hearing the "good news". From there, the celebration moves inside for coffee and donuts, then Sunday School at 9:45 AM followed by our 11 AM worship service filled with special music and an Easter message. Easter is one of the year's best occasion to invite guests to join us.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

FINAL CALL FOR YOUR FELLOWSHIP DIRECTORY PICTURE

You do NOT have to be a member to be included. Our Office Manager, Judy Perkins will publish optional addresses and phone numbers. Help us stay up to date of any changes. **Jerry Godolphin**, our photographer can make your portrait Wednesday evening or after Sunday Services. Photographs are made on the Gym stage. Let Jerry know in advance to confirm he's available.

Jerry Godolphin 865-661-5690 Cell or Text

BILLY GRAHM'S QUOTE - ON JESUS

Many people are willing to have Jesus as part of their lives—as long as it doesn't cost them anything. They may even profess faith in Jesus and join a church. But Jesus to them is like an insurance policy—Something they obtain and then forget about until they die. What keeps **you** from being His disciple!

KNOXVILLE AREA QUILTING FRIENDS

Would like to thank Elder **Dr. Bert Hampton** for spending a lot of time, energy, plus money out of his own pocket to purchase extension cords to hook up and organize all our sewing machines and irons in the gym.

Our very successful **KAQF** meets the 1st Saturday of each month in our gym, from Noon to 2 pm except for July 4thth this year, when it moves to the 2nd Saturday, July 11th. They make quilts and other Christian projects and offer **FREE QUILT CLASSES** for beginners. Our 2020 project is making "Quilts of Valor" for military combat veterans. Ask your friends and acquaintances to join us, and try it, they'll like it!

For more Information call: Debbie Anders 865-323-0323

WHY ATTEND BIBLE STUDY OR SUNDAY SCHOOL AT UNION?

Getting Stuck in Spiritual Infancy. Your heavenly Father's goal for you is to mature and develop the characteristics of **Jesus Christ**, living a life of love and humble service. Sadly, millions of Christians grow older but never grow up.

They're stuck in perpetual spiritual infancy, remaining in diapers and booties. The reason is because they never intended to grow. Spiritual growth is not automatic; it takes an intentional commitment. You must want to grow, decide to grow, make an effort to grow, and persist in growing.

Discipleship is the process of becoming like **Christ**, and it always begins with a decision: "Come, be my disciple," **Jesus** said to him. So, **Matthew** got up and followed him." (**Matthew** 9:9 NLT)

When the first disciples chose to follow **Jesus**, they didn't understand all the implications of their decision. They simply responded to **Jesus'** invitation.

That's all you need to get started: decide to become a disciple. Take advantage of Sunday School and our Bible studies. Grow to your potential. **Jesus** said to "make disciples." Let's start with ourselves. Our church has room for growth in this area.

Adapted from a daily devotional of YouVersion Bible Application

BIKER'S SUNDAY

April 26th. Blessing of the Bikes and Bikers at the 11 AM worship service. Lunch after the service. Invite neighbors with bikes. A church thrives by growing with just one member at a time.

KITCHEN WORKERS REJOICE OVER NEW OVENS AND MICROWAVE

Our old gas oven was getting dangerously unsafe. Often the gas pilot flames went out and the gas leaked out. We obviously use our kitchen a lot. So, congratulations Kitchen Crew on your needed upgrades.

UPPER ELEMENTARY KIDS (3-5th grade) ARE DOING A FOUR WEEK STUDY IN PROVERBS

Our Lesson writers combed the Proverbs and chose 12 to study in depth. Those chosen will make the biggest impact on a student starting out in life. Our class made and colored bookmarks. Each person chose their favorite of the 12. Mine is Proverbs 15:1. "A soft answer turns away wrath..." I don't know how many times I have been saved by that advice in my long life. We used a flame, an air filled balloon and a water balloon in a controlled science experiment. This illustrates that water protects the balloon from heat just as wisdom protects us from sin.

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