

Church Business Meeting

Join us on Wednesday, October 28th at 6:00 PM to hear from the Pastor Search Team as they bring a recommendation to the church to extend a call to Pastor Austin Graham. Bring any comments or questions you may have.

If you have any questions about the details of this meeting, please reach out to the Church Office or to someone on the Pastor Search Team.

Girl Scouts Poinsettia Fundraiser

Renay's granddaughter is selling poinsettias as part of the Girl Scouts of Union County Fundraiser. If you would like to purchase a red, white, marbled or pink poinsettia, please reach out to Renay or Nikki Moore at 704-254-4550 by November 14th.

Church Work Day

The Building & Grounds Team will be hosting a Fall Workday on Saturday, October 31st from 8 AM-12 Noon with a light lunch to follow.

There will be indoor and outdoor jobs. A sign-up sheet listing the various tasks is available at the back of the sanctuary. As always, thank you for your willingness to serve your church!

Operation Christmas Child

Collection Week: November 16-23

Empty shoeboxes are available on the altar steps.

Youth Pumpkin Carving Night

The youth group will be carving pumpkins on Wednesday, October 28th. Doors will open at 5:55 PM. Please sign up or contact Leslie by 10/25.



October 25, 2026



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Sunday, October 25, 2026

The Source of Forgiveness

Psalm 103:1-13

In Focus: Forgiveness reflects the character of God.

Look at our World: After the 2013 NFL season, two men in the Denver Broncos front office were convicted of DUIs. Vice president of football operations John Elway suspended them, but he did not fire either man. When asked why he did not fire Tom Heckert and Matt Russell, Elway replied, "...I've made a lot of poor decisions too."

Both men came off suspension and continued their careers. Heckert left the team due to health reasons after the 2017 season and died in 2018, but Russell stayed on until 2021.

After announcing his retirement, Russell said, "What happened to me 7.5 years ago gave me perspective...I haven't had a drink in 7.5 years....John and Joe, by the grace of their good hearts, allowed me to save my career. And in doing so I saved my family."

Elway said that he gave these men a second chance because he, too, had made mistakes in the past. God forgives, but not because He made mistakes in His past. It's His nature to forgive.

Live It Out: View of God. Take a walk today and reflect upon all the ways God has forgiven you. Consider the blessings that have come from His forgiveness. Take some time to thank Him for who He is and what He has done. **View of Self.** Keep a gratitude journal this week. Write about the ways you have benefited from God's blessings. **View of Others.** Who do you know that needs God's forgiveness? Carve out some time this week to share with them who God is and what He can do for those who need to hear of His forgiveness.

Upcoming Sunday Sermon Series

The Beauty of Forgiveness

Sunday, November 1 The Picture of Forgiveness
(Leviticus 16:6-10, 15-22)

Sunday, November 8 The Reason for Forgiveness
(Isaiah 43:1-7, 21-25)

Opportunities for Ministry & Service

Sunday

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Indoor Worship

10:00 AM Online Worship

11:30 AM Living Streams

Tuesday

6:30 PM Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday

6:00 PM Church Business

Meeting 10/28

6:30 PM Youth

7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

Choir Rehearsal

The next practice will be
Wednesday, October 21st at
7:30 PM. Interested in
singing with us? No
experience needed! Contact
Taylor Price (704-490-3776)



Service Attendance

Sunday, October 18

Indoor: 51

Online: 92

Wednesday, October 21

No Online

Youth: 9

Prayer Requests

Eddie & Candy Anderson

Eddie Baker (Carol's Brother)

George Browning (Irene's Brother)

Gary Clontz

Marlene Crider

Bill & Cindy French

Sam & Wanda Goodwin

Mike & Renee Helms

Lillian Lewis

Pam Majewski

Debbie McKnight

Jennifer Price (Jeremy's Mom)

Kenny & Carolyn Street

Irene Welch

Bible App

Follow along in today's
Scripture on the Bible app!
Scan this QR code with
your phone:



Monthly Budget & Offerings

Budget Needs: \$17,299.09

October Offering

To Date: \$5,831.00