BELL'S MESSENGER

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Bell's Messenger Submissions

If anyone has anything they would like included in the monthly Bell's Messenger, please get it to Jeffrey by the last Sunday of each month.

---Jeffrey Smith

Benefit in Honor Adam Frazier

Benefit In Honor of Adam Frazier, Saturday, September 13th at Millikan Farm. Barbecue and Chicken from 11 am until 6 pm. Price: \$15 per plate. Live Auction at 6 pm. Trust Fund will be Set up for Austin Frazier.



Revival

Sunday, September 14th through Wednesday, September 17th, Sunday night it will be at 6 pm and Monday through Wednesday at 7 pm. Rodney Skipper will be Speaking each night.Special Singing Each Night.



239th Homecoming

Old Union Church will have its 239th Homecoming on Sunday, September 14th. Sunday School will be at 9:30 am and Worship Service will be at 10:30 am followed by Benediction in Cemetery. After Bendection in the Cemetery there will be a Covered Dish Meal in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone bring a meal and drinks to share.

Robert Brown will be Speaking and the Old Union Choir will be singing extra songs during Worship Service.



Last Country Breakfast of the Year

Last Country Breakfast of the Year will be Saturday, September 20th, 7 am until 10 am in the Fellowship Hall

Price is Adults: \$10, Ages 4 -10: \$5, Ages 3 and under: Free

We will also have a Raffle for a chance at a Homemade Queen Size Quilt. Ticket prices are 1 for \$1 or 6 for \$5.



From Pastor Robert

VISION

I know that the church has heard me speak on this subject before .Proverbs 29:18 Where there is no vision, the people perish. John 4:35-37 says. Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold I say unto you ,Lift up your eyes ,and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice togeather. Matthew9:37-38 says. The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the LORD of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into the harvest. 1 Corinthians 3:9 says. For we are laborers together with GOD. We can't do anything on our own without HIM. And its hard to get any work done without laborers.

LOVE&PRAYERS PASTOR ROBERT.

Old Union Youth Ministry

The Old Union Youth Ministry met Sunday, August 24th immediately after Worship Service. We had Hamburgers and Hot Dogs left over from the End of Summer Party. Tamara Perez had a program, it was a continuation of what we learned in Vacation Bible School.

We also went to New Market School and prayed for the Students, Teachers and Parents.

Our Next meeting is Sunday, September 28th immediately after Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall. Food will be Served. Please pick up Youth at 1:30 pm.

We will be having a Breakfast with Santa Fund Raiser on Saturday, December 6th.



Old Union Women's mission for 3rd quarter (July through September)

Diaper Run for Royal Home Ministries, a maternity and mother's and babies program designed to help save babies from abortion and to redirect the life of the mother.

Items they are needing: Diapers All Sizes and Baby Wipes

Royal Home Ministries 🕜

Old Union Women's Meeting

Old Union Women's October Meeting, Tuesday, October 7th at 6 pm by Zoom.



Committee Meetings

It's that time of year again!!

The tentative plans are to have all meetings done by Sunday, October 14th so that the Nominations and Budget for 2026 can be posted on Sunday, October 19th.

The Church Council (Board) Meeting to vote on everything is tentatively planned for Sunday, November 2nd immediately after Worship Service in the Sanctuary.

- Board of Trustees Committee Meeting: Date and Time to be Announced. Members are: Darrell Spillman, Chairman, Gene Farlow, John Johnson, Robert Wilson, Ricky Frazier, Seth Smith, Drake Spillman, D.W. Coggins, and Bill Beeson
- Pastor Parish Relations Committee
 Meeting: Date and Time to be
 Announced: Members are: Ricky
 Frazier, Chairman, Susan Wilson, Terry
 Parrish, Drake Spillman, Carsie Hill,
 Seth Smith, and Gene Farlow.

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- Nominations Committee Meeting: Monday, September 22nd at 6:30 pm in the Church. Members are: Seth Smith, Chairman, Carsie Hill, Debbie Hill, Jennie Frazier, D.W. Coggins, Beverly Spillman, Christopher Benskey, Ashley Case, Tamara Perez, Gene Farlow (Lay Leader), Robert Brown (Pastor).
- Finance Committee Meeting: Date and Time to be Announced. Members are: Jennie Frazier, Chairperson, Tamara Perez Asst. Chairperson, D.W. Coggins, Kathy White, Loretta Smith, Gene Farlow, Darrell Spillman, Robert Wilson, Marsha Burns, Juanita McKean and Ronnie Johnson
- Cemetery Committee Meeting: Date and Time to be Announced: Members are: Bill Beeson, Ruth Haynes, Ricky Frazier, Dustin Spillman

Old Union Women Hamburger Steak Meal & Silent Auction Fund Raiser

The Old Union Women will have a Hamburger Steak Meal & Silent Auction Fund Raiser for the Community on Sunday, October 11th, 4 pm until 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Menu: Hamburger Steak, Baked Potato, House Salad, Dessert and Tea, Water or Coffee. Take outs will be Available (No Drinks with Take outs).

Price: \$10 for Adults, \$5 for Ages 4 to 10, Ages 3 and under are Free.

If you plan to donate Silent Auction Items please let Linda Benskey know.

If anyone would like to make desserts we would appreciate it. If you would like to donate money, please see Jennie Frazier. All help is appreciated the day of the Fund Raiser.





Tribulation Trail

The Youth Ministry will be going to Beulah Baptist Church in Bennett on Friday, October 24th. Cost is \$5. Meet at Beulah Baptist Church at 6:30 pm. Anyone else in the church is welcome to go.



Halloween Party

The Annual Halloween Party will be held Saturday, October 25th. The schedule for events are as follows:

- Starting at 5 pm sharp will be the Costume Contest for All Ages
- Approximately 5:30 pm until 6:30 pm: We will be eating.
- Approximately 6:30 pm: Hayride
- After Hayride until Sundown: Games and Dessert Walk under the Shelter
- After Sundown: Haunted Trail
 If anyone would like to help with the
 Haunted Trail, please sign up on the sheet
 on the Bulletin Board.



Cooked Pork Shoulders for Thanksgiving

Old Union Church, 5077 Walker Mill Road, Sophia, NC is now taking orders for Cooked Pork Shoulders to pick up the day before Thanksgiving (Wednesday, November 26th) between the hours of 3 pm and 5 pm. The price for the shoulders are \$55 each, which includes 1 bottle of barbecue sauce. The last day to order shoulders is Sunday, November 23rd. To place your order you may call (336) 498-7102

Breakfast With Santa

Old Union Youth Ministry will be Having Breakfast with Santa Fund Raiser on Saturday, December 6th from 8 am until 10 am in the Fellowship Hall. Menu: Pancakes, Sausage, Milk, Orange Juice, Tea and Water. Price: \$7 for Adults, Ages 4 to 10: \$3 and Ages 3 and under are Free.



Mark Your Calendars American Red Cross Blood Drive

American Red Cross Blood Drive will be Friday, February 20^{th,} 2026. More details to come.



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Food Collection for Christian's United Outreach Center (CUOC) in Asheboro

The Items to be collected for the next 4 months are:

September: Spaghetti Noodles & Sauce (In

Cans not Jars)

October: Rice & Canned Beef Stew November: Canned Vegetables & Fruit December: Sloppy Joe Mix & Grits/Oatmeal

There is a container in the hall to put donations in for CUOC. They will take anything each month. It does not have to be

the items listed for that month.



Church Cleaning Schedule

September: Jeffrey Smith October: Ronnie Johnson



Psalm Reader

If there is anyone that wants to be added or deleted as a Psalm Reader for Worship Service let Jeffrey Smith know.

Guidelines for Anyone from the Community Requesting Assistance

At the July 22, 2018 Board Meeting it was voted that if anyone comes to the church wanting money, food, etc. that they be sent to CUOC to get help. There are information sheets about CUOC to hand out to anyone requesting assistance. They are on the desk in the hall in the folder titled CUOC Assistance.

OLD UNION CHURCH UPCOMING EVENTS (as of Wednesday, September 3, 2025)

- Saturday, September 13th:
 Benefit in Honor of Adam Frazier at
 Millkan Farm on Millikan Road in
 Sophia.
- Sunday, September 14th: 239th
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 in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone
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- Friday, October 24th: Tribulation Trail, \$5 per person. Meet at Beulah Baptist Church in Bennett at 6:30 pm
- Saturday, October 25th: Halloween Party from 5 pm until.
- Thursday, November 26th: Pick up Cooked Park Shoulders for Thanksgiving from 3 pm until 5 pm.

- Saturday, December 6th:
 Breakfast with Santa by the Youth
 Ministry, 8 am until 10 am in the
 Fellowship Hall.
- Saturday, December 20th: Cricket County Christmas Cruise Christmas Program at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Free Barbecue Meal following in Fellowship Hall.

