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Jesus calls us to love one another. Even ones who are unlovely. Jesus loved the unloved and unlovely. Love others as God loves us.

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February Newsletter



Grandparents

Second Generation

Parents/

Uncle and Aunt

Third Generation
-- Siblings/

Cousins

From Pastor Larry

"And be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving one another, just as God also forgave you in Christ. Therefore, be imitators of God, as dearly loved children, and walk in love as Christ also loved us and gave himself for us, a sacrificial and fragrant offering to God." Ephesians 4:32-5:2

As followers of Christ, we are often "guilty" of giving out free advice to others, even when they don't want to hear it! After all, we are the "people of God" who have the truth and we need to get it out for others to change their ways before it is too late. All that may be true, but as we begin a new year, let's take a moment and implement change that we are really responsible for—US! Paul has a long list of attitudes and behaviors we should display in Ephesians 4 and concludes it this way that we should be kind, compassionate, and forgiving. Sounds good, but let's face it, this takes a lot of self-control, right? Well, yes, there are some self-control issues but I think Paul is pointing to another issue—the WHY of that change in our lives. This is where many of us are lacking. It is not that we don't believe that we should be nicer to others. We know that! Our mothers taught us that, after all. But rather, our motivation to change should come from a deep and personal look at GRACE. Have you taken even 5 minutes today to really personally consider what God had to do in order not only to forgive you, but also to make you family? Has grace stirred your heart? If you and I would spend time daily meditating on the sacrificial love of God, upon the sacrifice of Christ, then becoming imitators of God would have a different power in your life. Today and throughout 2023, be a fragrant offering before God and offer up your very best to Him.

Pastor Larry

Join us for a Generation Scramble

Generations? I know from experience my Grandkids are definitely from a different Generation from myself, even if I don't consider age. Also, I believe there are some reading this that may even be from a different generation than myself. (some older, some younger).

Join us this Saturday, February 4th from Noon to 2PM for a "Generation Scramble". Questions will be asked such as:

- How would you like to be remembered?
- When did you first fall in love?
- How has your life been different than you'd imagined?
- Who has been kindest to you in your life?

If you want my opinion, I think this sounds like a great get together that will be fun as well as

interesting. It will be exciting to hear the thoughts and dreams of each other. Do you know mine?

Bring your favorite finger food to share with others. You could ask someone to come with you like a friend, a family member, neighbor or spouse, because the more the merrier.

There is a SIGN-UP sheet in the front foyer so we will know who will be in attendance. Also make a note of which finger food you are bringing. Be sure to arrive before NOON, we will be starting on time and you don't want to miss a moment. It's going to be a good time!

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Happy Valentines! Let's get together and celebrate with pizza. On February 14th at 11:00am, join us for some pizza with or without a Valentine. We need you to bring something to share to go with pizza. It's always fun when this group gets together. Come join us, we will have plenty of pizza to share.



Room in the Inn February 18th



Grades 7-12 Join us at THE FOUNDRY!

Wednesdays

Beginning at 6:00PM till 7:15PM We're now meeting in the Basement

Generation Scramble February 4th Noon—2PM **Connections Area**

Sunday morning Connections Group, 10:45-11:45 Bible study with Aaron Holladay and Cereal bar

Please watch Group Me and social media for updates and upcoming events!





Feb 5 Larry Floyd

Feb 13 Patsy Meeks

Feb 17 Rachelle Schuerman

Feb 18 Johnette Easton (Vanderpool on the 2/11)

Feb 19 Emma Szostak

Feb 22 Shanna Wingo

Feb 23 Lisa Fox

Feb 24 Anita Williams-Turk

Feb 26 Dale Sewell

Feb 27 Ann Woods



Wee Worship

Feb 5 **Chris Wurth & Kimberly Fox**

Feb 12 Aaron Holladay & Caroline Kent

Feb 19 Joy Brewer & Jody Rowland

Feb 26 Rachelle Schuerman & Emma Szostak



B.L.A.S.T.

February—Brenda Floyd

Crop and Craft

Please watch Social Media

for next date!





The wedding of Johnette Easton and Herman Vanderpool will take place on February 11th at 1PM, here at Una. Johnette and Herman invite the Church Family to attend.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Dale and Cindy Sewell in the loss of her sister. We pray that God will give you comfort and understanding during this time.



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Hello! The 4 year olds through K are learning traditional fun music with movements. Some of our favorites are, "If You are Happy and Know It," "What a Mighty God," "Down in My Heart" and other fabulous timeless songs. We are exploring rhythm sticks and shakers to understand the beat of the music and counting. Our time together is full of laughter and fun. Please pray for more children to join us.





First Look is an exciting time with our young children through kindergarten.

We want our preschoolers to know Jesus loves them.

Lessons for February are:



Week 1—Jesus and the children—Jesus loves me.

Week 2—Mary and Martha—Jesus wants to spend time with me.

Week 3—The Centurion—Jesus wants to help me.

Week 4—The thankful woman—Jesus loves me no matter what.

Our February verse is "How wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ." Ephesians 3:18 NIV



Throughout the month of February in Una Kids, we will continue to look at God's Big Story Book as we take a closer look at the meaning of "respect" and what it means to show "respect" to others.

Respect is showing others that they are important by what you say and do. We often think about respect in terms of vertical relationships we have with others—respect for parents, teachers, and people in authority. Those are important, but equally important are the more horizontal relationships we have with people, like siblings, friends, and even people we may not get along with. This idea of valuing others and having mutual respect is seen all

throughout Scripture and is a necessary way to communicate with others and demonstrate God's love with them.

<u>Week 1 Luke 5:</u> We will take a look at Luke 5 when Jesus chose his 12 disciples. Instead of choosing the religious leaders of their time, He chose those who didn't seem to fit the part, but gave them a chance to change the world. <u>Week 2 Matt.5 43-47:</u> Jesus teaches the disciples what it means to live as part of God's Kingdom... to love your enemies and pray for those who hurt you.

<u>Week 3: Luke 10:38-42:</u> Jesus comes to the home of Mary and Martha. We will find out how important it is to take time for others and show that they are important.

<u>Week 4: Matt. 8:5-13:</u> Roman commander comes to Jesus about his servant being ill. The officer had heard about Jesus and the power He had from God. The commander believed that Jesus could do it. Reminds us that God is most important. <u>OUR MEMORY VERSE</u>: Do to others as you want them to do to you." Luke 6:31, NIrV

God values us and wants a forever relationship with us. God sent Jesus to make that possible. We follow God's example when we show others that they have value too. We can remember that God is most important by spending time learning about God in the Bible, praying to God about what's happening in our lives, and making God a priority in our conversations with others. There are all sorts of ways kids can show how much God means to them.

We will have a great time as we dive into our relationship with God and others.

What would happen if we would show Jesus' kind of love and respect? It would change the world. COME JOIN US!



English as a second language is still meeting on Wednesday nights during JAM in the basement. If you have a neighbor or know of someone that needs help with English, please tell them about ESL.

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SUNDAYS

Morning Worship 9:30 am

Connection Groups 10:45 am

WEDNESDAYS—6:00 pm
Prayer Service

JAM (Children 4 yrs. old-6th grade)
Foundry (teenagers)

Office Hours Monday-Thursday 9:00-4:00



Our Purpose at Una Baptist is to Make Disciples who...



Connect with God's Word
Connect with God's World

Deacon of the Month



Aaron Holladay, wife Carrie

Food Pantry Day

We collect can goods the last Sunday of every month for those who are in need. Some of our visitors do not have a place to cook and others do. If you can help with this ministry, please contact the office. Thank you for sharing and caring!

Next collection dates:

February 26th March 26th



Our Prayer Concerns



Remember to pray when starting your day!

Our Pastors, Church & Ministries

Our Homebound Members

Our Military Men and Women (serving at home and away)

Missionaries

(Home and International)

Homeless Population

Our Church Family with health issues

Our Nation, Elected Leaders

Una Baptist Childcare

JAM, Children's Ministry & Youth

Ukraine & the World

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