

# UNA CHURCH OF CHRIST

**Elders: Robert Beard, Bill Eads, Johnny Mitchell, Ralph Mitchell,  
Walter Pruitt, Bob Turner**

**November 5, 2017**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We the elders wanted to take a moment to talk about the future of Una and how we can all do our part to help sustain the spiritual growth of our church. The elders meet multiple times a month and pray over those of us who meet here. There are about 350 people who call this church their home congregation, and every week we attempt to take note of every person. In doing this, we have noticed that approximately one out of every four members of Una is not in attendance at the morning worship hour on any given Sunday. Many more of us are not here for Sunday and Wednesday evening services. A great many are not engaged in the works of the church; thus many good works are undermanned. We understand that some of this is accounted for by perfectly understandable things such as vacation travel, illness, work schedule and so on. However, we also know that it is easy for one absence to become a habit.

We want to take some time today and encourage everyone who calls the Una Church of Christ their home to choose to be more active here. We not only ask you to consider this for your own spiritual health, but in so doing, you will also be an even greater blessing to the rest of your Christian family.

You might ask, why the concern; what difference does my attendance and involvement really make on the spiritual health of the body?

We assure you that it *does* make a difference—not only to your own spiritual health, but also to the overall spiritual well-being of the Body. When we are not all here meeting together, there is an overall loss in mutual encouragement and spiritual power, because members of the body containing the Spirit are not here. Furthermore, it damages the effectiveness of the body. In 1 Corinthians, Paul writes that **“God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it”** (12:24). When we come together it is an opportunity for those who need spiritual edification to receive it. But our effectiveness to **“carry each other’s burdens”** (Gal. 6:2) is diminished if we are not here to do so. Finally, if we make it a habit not to be together, the work that the Lord has given us to do in this community is also diminished.

We want Una to grow and we want **“the favor of the Lord to establish the work of our hands”** (Psa. 90:17). But we also believe that this favor can only be established *if our hands are at work* advancing the work of God’s kingdom.

There are many things that we need to do. But initially we are asking each of you consider doing three things.

- (1) Make a commitment to be here with the body for worship;
- (2) Invite others to church with you so that they too may be exposed to the family of God here;
- (3) Reflect on Adam’s sermon last Sunday, “Church Matters,” and determine to make the Una Church of Christ matter in your life.

With the love of Christ for you and your loved ones,

Robert Beard

Johnny Mitchell

Walter Pruitt

Bill Eads

Ralph Mitchell

Bob Turner

## **Children’s Church**

Children’s Church is available for children ages 3-10. We will announce when it’s time for your child to be dismissed. *Today’s volunteers are **Marlene Vincill and Barbara Watson.***

There is also a nursery upstairs for your convenience.

## Privileged to Serve

### Sunday AM

Worship Leader: Adam Medley  
Opening Prayer: Johnny Mitchell  
Communion: John Green  
Contribution: Les King  
Read Scripture: Daniel Green  
*Sermon: Adam Tune*  
Closing Prayer: Ross Musgrave

### Sunday PM

Worship Leader: Adam Medley  
Opening Prayer: Larry Helton  
Communion: Brent Donegan  
Contribution: Troy Johnson  
Closing: Charles Martin  
Attendance 10/29/2017- 261  
Contribution: \$ 5,660

## Care Center

Our Care Center item for this week is Spaghetti Noodles and Canned Spaghetti Sauce.

## Prayer List

Tommy Bolden, Mary Boucher, Ron Bussell, Brenda Calvin, Margaret Campbell, Ivon Claud, Doris Copeland, Scott Davis, Edith Eakin, William Elliott, Jeanette Foster, Shelia Glover, Billy and Faye Greenfield, Rafaela Hernandez, Dorothy Hinds, Mary Hopper, Jeannie Hopper, Charlie Martin, Lou Montgomery, Ida Palmer, Pete Rieschick, Jeremy Sartain, Scott Sawyer, Angie Scott, Peggy Stinson, Evelyn Sullivan, Jackie Tracey, Shirley Waggoner, Mattie Ward, Mindy Wilson, Elleine Witty, Lucille Young

## November Cooks

Coordinators - Peggy Owen and Jennifer Green  
Cooks - Martha Mitchell, Sue Rosinbum, Sandy Whitworth

## Y.E.S. Christmas Store

Una will be sponsoring a gift drive for YES (Youth Encouragement Services) again this year! YES provides a Christmas Store each year where low income families can shop for Christmas gifts for their children. This is most likely the only gift these Nashville inner city children will get on Christmas morning. Each family can select a complete outfit, new toys and a \$20 Walmart gift card for each child. Everyone at Una can help by providing, toys, clothing or a monetary donation to supply the store. A large supply of underwear, socks, pajamas, hats and gloves are always needed. Please bring your donations (unwrapped) and place them in the YES box in the hallway before **Wednesday, 11/29**. Your gifts will then be delivered to YES to provide for the shopping experience on Dec 9<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer at the store, please contact Marcy Bolden.

## Thank You

Thank you so much for the cards and prayers during the illness and death of my brother.  
It is a real blessing to be part of the Una family.  
Love, Donna Mitchell

## GYC's

### Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday Nov. 9, 2017 6PM

Turkey and Ham are provided, Bring side items  
See Ken for details

### Christmas Lunch

Sign Up Sheet is on the Bulletin Board  
Sign up by Nov. 26th

## Youth Group

- Fall Get Together, Bonfire, Food, Games, Devo.
- November 5th - at Robert and Janice Beards
- Be at the building at 3:00, will be back at 7:00.

**\*\*\****There is a meeting at 5:30 this afternoon for the men who are interested in helping provide security during services.  
Please meet in the conference room.\*\*\**