Thank you to all past and present members of the US military for their service to our great country!

Enjoy the long weekend and remember the WUMC staff will be off duty on Monday.

FROM REV. DEVAL MASON
Can you believe that this coming weekend is Memorial Day Weekend? Where has the time gone? I know that Covid-19 has made 2020 seem like it has already lasted forever, but this weekend is the start of summer? Really? It is hard to believe.

Did you know that Memorial Day was originally known as Decoration Day, as people put flowers on the graves of soldiers who fought and died during the Civil War, starting soon after that war ended. Now we honor those in the military who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces, by putting flowers on their graves, no matter which war or conflict they may have served in. It is humbling to remember and celebrate those who gave their lives in order to help and save others.

During this global pandemic crisis, this weekend may we also remember those who have recently given their lives in order to help and save others. There have been many doctors, nurses, and other health care providers who have fought Covid-19 by treating patients and then getting Covid-19 themselves and have died from it. God has blessed our wonderful country with many different types of heroes who have given their lives for others. Now that is something to honor and celebrate!! God Is Good! All The Time!

WUMC ON YOUTUBE
We have all kinds of videos available for you on our YouTube Channel: worship services, youth group activities, Sunday School classes, & more. Remember that Charlie's always good about posting the hymn lyrics in the notes below the video so we can all sing along. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAmGizE0NZIhe63PwJP_gSg/videos

UPCOMING SERVICES:
Wednesday Worship 5/20 – available beginning at 8:00am
Sunday Worship 5/24 – available beginning at 8:00am

It's not too late to watch this past Sunday's service if you missed it. You can see several familiar faces, sing along with the hymns, and hear an important announcement about Rev. Deval from the United Methodist Church: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cv21lPlsI9Q
WUMC ON ZOOM
Join us for online fellowship using Zoom! It's super easy; all you have to do is click on a link that Emily will email to you. If you aren't receiving Emily’s texts or emails with the login ID and meeting password, please email her at youth@weavervilleumc.org so you can stay connected!

Children: Wednesday at 3pm, Sunday at 11:30am
Youth: Wednesday at 5pm, Sunday at 5pm
Confirmation Class: Sunday at 4:15pm
Ignite Sunday School: Sunday at 10am
Holly’s Preschool Class: Thursday at 10am
Melissa's Preschool Class: Thursday at 10:30am

WUMC KIDS
Youth Summer Trip
Aug 7, 8, 9 to the Hinton Center in Hayesville, NC
(We will continue to closely monitor the situation, but as of now we are going to plan on going)
$115/person, $50 Deposit due by May 31. You can mail in checks to PO Box 37 with "Youth Trip" in Memo.

Technical Difficulties
In the future if we have a problem with Zoom that prevents us from having a scheduled meeting, we have 2 backup plans: We will go live on the church’s Facebook www.facebook.com/WeavervilleUMC/ and we will go live on our church’s YouTube channel www.youtube.com/channel/UCAmGIzE0NZIhe63PwJP_gSg. So either make sure you have subscribed to the YouTube channel so you’ll get a notification if and when we go live, or make sure you have a Facebook account to access the church’s FB page.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
The Matilda Dryman Circle will meet via conference call TONIGHT - Tuesday 5/19 at 6:00 pm. To join the meeting, call: (978) 990-5000. Access code is 922370#. We look forward to chatting with you soon. Please join us! (And please excuse the “Presbyterian Women” misprint last week. Your humble editor is a member of the PW and just confused the names. 😊)

SUNDAY’S BLOOD DRIVE
Thank you so very much to Zane Cole and the rest of the United Methodist Men for coordinating a very successful blood drive this past Sunday. There were 77 donors, 60 units of blood given, 29 new donors, and 32 walk-ins. It is always inspiring to see people giving of themselves (literally and figuratively in this case!) to help others. Lena, Lora, and Lindsey Brooker were thrilled with the wonderful turnout by their faith community to honor Jim. There is still a shortage of blood in our area, so if you’re able the Blood Connection would love to see you: thebloodconnection.org/
MUSIC TO UPLIFT
Music Director Charlie Harnish has graciously shared his Corona Concert No. 9 with us. Songs include In the Garden, Sweet By and By, I Will Arise and Go to Jesus, There is a Balm in Gilead, The Old Rugged Cross, The Heart of Thanksgiving (Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow), and more – plus many appearances by sweet little Wolfgang. You can view the performance here: www.facebook.com/charnish/videos/10104203656850524/

SUPPORTING THE CHURCH
Thank you very much to everyone who has continued to support WUMC with their contributions! We look forward to the day when we can be together again and pass the collection plates in our beloved sanctuary.

Options to donate:
1. On our web site: www.weavervilleumc.org/donations
2. Through your bank’s online bill pay
3. Mail checks to:
Weaverville United Methodist Church
PO Box 37
WE ARE HERE TO SERVE
For those in our congregation who may need assistance: we have a pantry with food and basic supplies that can meet most needs. Contact Pastor Deval or Renee Weaver to let us know if you could use some help. We will deliver to you or meet you at the church. If you need fresh items or medicines, we will pick that up at the store for you. Deval Mason: dmason@weavervilleumc.org or 828-645-6721

PRAYER LIST
The Brooker Family, Tena Denning, Carolyn Dotts, Emma Hughey, Cindy Mayo, Elaine Robinson, Lauren Shanor, Jackson Stafford, Mac White, Bob Whiting
This list is reset at the beginning of each month. Please email office@weavervilleumc.org to request changes.

May God bless you and keep you...

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