



TWIZZLER: May 5, 2020

FROM REV. DEVAL MASON

Wow! What a wonderful blessing! We were able to have a small family **Memorial Service for Jim Brooker** this past week. Lena and a few family members were present as we got to experience the joy of hearing Charlie play the piano (it is so uplifting to hear him play); we got to experience the joy of listening to Rev. Linda Kelly (former WUMC pastor and now a District Superintendent) give the memorial sermon for Jim; and we got to experience the joy of hearing the personal remembrances of Jim's life. What a beautiful time together.



There is good news for each of you who would have liked to be present for Jim's Memorial Service: Since we video recorded it, you can hear Charlie play, you can listen to Rev. Linda Kelly's message, and you can experience the joy that was present in the service. You can do this by going to the WUMC YouTube channel and watching it there, starting at 8:00am this Wednesday, May 6th. Watch it and then **reach out to Lena** (call, text, email, postal mail) with your condolences and let the family know you are praying for them. What a beautiful time we can have together as the Body of Christ. God Is Good! All The Time!



Blood Drive

IN HONOR OF JIM BROOKER

Sunday May 17, 2020

12:00 noon to 5:00pm

It is Blood Drive time again, and our area is in dire need of blood. Here is how the Blood Connection will conduct the drive: We will only schedule three donors every 15 minutes. With three donors giving blood and three donors being processed for the next 15 minutes, this will allow only six in the building at a time. Blood Connection Personnel will wear PPE at all times and each bed will be thoroughly cleaned between donors.

The Blood Connection serves forty hospitals in North and South Carolina and Georgia, including every hospital in Western North Carolina except Harris in Sylva. That means **most of your donations will stay in our area**. When you sign up for the first time you will need a photo id and then you will be issued a donor card. After you have been issued a donor card that will serve as your identification.

You can go on line and sign up for a time at thebloodconnection.org Due to the virus and restrictions, I think that emailing or calling me will work better so I can let you know the times that are available.

On the day of the drive you can do early check in like Rapid Pass, but it is called TBC Express, all you need to do is click on thebloodconnection.org On the bottom of the page is the link for this. You can also download the app

to your phone.

Each donor will be given a ten dollar gift card to be used as you wish. Please call or email me as soon as possible so that you can get the time that works best for you.

Zane Cole: zcole@charter.net (828)231 9118 or 658 9908

FILL THE AIR WITH SONG!



Ring out yours prayers with us this Thursday!! In solidarity with our neighbors around the world who are calling aloud from their balconies and rooftops across their neighborhoods each evening, the N.C. Council of Churches has invited faith communities to ring out their prayers at **noon this Thursday, May 7 for five minutes**. This is being done as a part of the National Day of Prayer.

WUMC will be ringing bells on our front steps and we invite you to join us outside of your home with bells or whatever instrument you feel called to use. We are also inviting other local churches to participate, and will be spreading the word as much as possible via social media. Our goal is to fill the air of Weaverville with "a joyful noise" ...

- to praise God for our blessings
- to connect with each other
- as a hopeful reminder of the day we will get be together again

If you are unable to play music outside, please consider joining with us in prayer at that time. The National Day of Prayer web site is here: www.nationaldayofprayer.org/

Ring out with us for five minutes this Thursday at noon!

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. Click on the link below to view them all, and **bookmark the site while you're there so you can see future videos:** https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAmGlzE0NZIhe63PwJP_gSg/videos

UPCOMING SERVICES:

Wednesday 5/6 – Jim Brooker's memorial service will be available beginning at 8:00am:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=90Ek3w0GGGQ&feature=youtu.be>

Sunday 5/10 – Worship Service available at 8:00am

Did you see the Youth Sunday worship service yet?? Emily and our amazing youth group did a **fabulous** job on it so be sure to check it out here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2zMOZIGxeS0&feature=youtu.be>



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

The third series of **Quarantine Sunday School materials** for Pre-k through 5th grade will be coming out this week so be on the lookout in your mailboxes! If you have not been receiving a copy of the packet and would like to, please email Emily at youth@weavervilleumc.org. Please include your mailing address and the grade your child(ren) is currently in.

MUSIC TO UPLIFT

Music Director Charlie Harnish has graciously shared his Corona Concert No. 7 with us. This week the music leans towards a more meditative mood. Songs include *Wonderful Peace*, *'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*, *Great is Thy Faithfulness*, *It is Well*, *Just As I Am*, and more. You can view the performance here:

<https://www.facebook.com/charnish/videos/10104180708928344/>

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
85 N. Main Street
PO Box 37

Weaverville, NC 28787



UPDATE ON ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Bishop Leeland and the Cabinet have made the decision to postpone the Western North Carolina Annual Conference due to the COVID-19 pandemic. **The one-day event will be held at Lake Junaluska on Saturday, August 8th.** The Ordering of Ministry service will be held that same day at 7:30 p.m.

FROM JIM BROOKER'S DAUGHTER, LORA

Thank you to everyone who has prayed for and otherwise blessed our family during Dad's illness and recent passing. We love you all so much, and deeply appreciate your many kindnesses. There will be a private family-only service. We have been told that they will record the memorial to be shared later on YouTube. After Covid, we hope to host a larger gathering/celebration of Dad's life and legacy, perhaps in fall when High Heaven is at its most beautiful.

For those who have asked about memorial gifts, Mom has requested that I communicate her preferences:

American Red Cross Blood Donation Center, 100 Edgewood Rd., Asheville, NC 28804

(first choice, since blood transfusions helped keep Dad alive for so long after his diagnosis of MDS blood cancer).

CaringBridge, as it has kept us connected to y'all throughout this long journey.

Weaverville United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 37, Weaverville, NC 28787

(my parents' home church for the last twenty years).

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.

Renee Weaver: grohweaver@aol.com or 704-996-2960 (*Please leave a voice or text message.*)

Deval Mason: dmason@weavervilleumc.org or 828-645-6721

PRAYER LIST

This list is reset at the beginning of each month.

the Brooker Family, the Cheek family, the Childress family, Bill Coxe, Tena Denning, Carolyn Dotts, Dave Edwards, Emma Hughey, Fran Jordan, Cindy Mayo, Elaine Robinson, Jackson Stafford, Jack Teague, Mac White, Bob Whiting

Have a blessed week!



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