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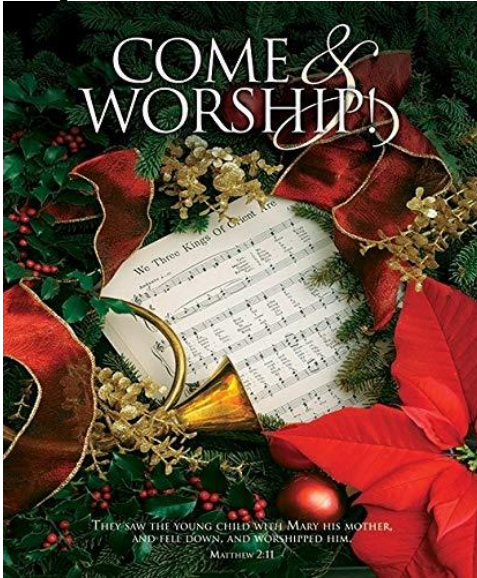
THIS SUNDAY (12/22)

Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:00am Worship Service
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES

Be sure you don't miss our special candlelight services on Christmas eve this year! **Tuesday, 12/24 at 6:00 and 8:00pm**



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Matilda Dryman Circle will meet at Joanie Strohm's home today, Tuesday, Dec. 17. Meeting will start at 5:30; meet at 5:15 in the Fellowship Center parking lot to carpool. Bring peanut butter, vegetable oil, sugar, dish and laundry detergent for NBSM. We will share Christmas goodies and have fellowship. All women are invited. If you need directions to the Strohm home, call 828-649-1156 or 828-707-8928.

M&M LUNCHEON

The "Mature & Methodist" group will meet at noon this Thursday, Dec. 19 in the Fellowship Hall for fellowship and to enjoy lasagna cooked by Joe and Theresa Cipriano. If you would like to bring a salad or dessert, and it would be much appreciated. Call or email Lorraine Cipriano to RSVP: 828-707-2724 or raincip@charter.net Hope to see you there!

YOUTH EVENTS

- **NO YOUTH DEC. 29 - MERRY CHRISTMAS!!**
- **Please come help with the special children's Sunday school party this Sunday, 12/22!** Meet downstairs in the old fellowship hall at 10am and look for Emily.
- **Bowling Monday Dec 30** - Looking for something to do after the holidays? Come bowling with the youth! Leaving parking lot at 12noon, return 2-2:30pm. We will go to Star Lanes off Tunnel Road. Bring \$ for bowling and any eats you want. RSVP please, and invite a friend!
- **Youth Winter/Confirmation Retreat at Camp Tekoa** - January 24-26, 2020. Your cost is \$50/person.
- **Ski Trip:** We will go on a day trip to Wolfe Laurel. Feb 8, departure and arrival times to be determined as we get closer. If you already made your \$60 deposit towards the trip, your deposit is in a student specific account registered to your youth's name. That deposit plus \$10 covers your costs of lift tickets and rentals. (If you don't need rentals, let me know). You will also want to plan to BYO meal money.

DAMAGED FRONT DOOR

Can you help us solve a mystery? The exterior of the front door to the Sanctuary was damaged during the past week and we can't seem to figure out what happened. You can see the chipped wood in the photo below. Please email or call the church office if you have any clues to offer. Thanks!



CALLING ALL KIDS!

All children are invited to sing as a group during the Sunday, Dec. 22 worship service! We'll sing "The Friendly Beasts" (from our Christmas program). Come join in the Christmas joy!

SPECIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR THE CHILDREN

The Youth will be helping with "**Birthday Party for Jesus**" during Sunday School at 10am on 12/22. We'll enjoy crafts, snacks, fun, and fellowship as we celebrate with the children (ages young to 5th grade) the birth of our Savior! Children, invite a friend or neighbor to come to church with you for the celebration!

CHRISTMAS "GIFTS" FOR JESUS

We have a fun new idea for the **6:00pm Candlelight Worship Service on Christmas Eve**. All children & youth are encouraged to present their "Christmas Gifts for Jesus," which should be some kind of offering of the heart rather than a physical gift. Examples include singing, poetry reading, musical performance, or scripture reading. Space is limited so please contact Charlie, Emily, or Martha to sign up soon!

CHRISTMAS GIVING - BABY BACKPACKS

The Minevia Brittain Circle is collecting items again to complete 3 backpacks and invite you to help out. They are distributed to new mothers through the Appalachian Regional Healthcare system in the coal mining communities where poverty and unemployment are now the norm. Ours are taken to Middlesboro, KY area. The mothers have been so grateful and touched that others have shown this kindness. Items can be labeled and brought to the office next to Deval's through December 24th: **baby wash/shampoo, baby wipes, bibs, bottles, bottle brush, blanket, burp cloths, comb/brushes, diapers (newborn disposable), diaper rash cream, hooded towel, knit cap, nasal aspirator, onesies, pacifiers, receiving blanket, sleepers, socks, thermometers, devotional books for mom, Bible story book**

PRESCHOOL SHOW

Please come and watch WUMC's Preschool Christmas Show this Thursday at 10:30am in the Sanctuary! It's their sweet Christmas gift to all!



PLEASE HELP WITH TREES

Les Love and Pat Newcomb, along with several others, have been working on a project behind the church. Back in March, the walnut trees beside the playground were cut and removed by our neighbors. These large trees shaded the back of the church as well as the preschool playground. During the summer, a remote temperature gauge was used to measure the heat on the playground equipment during a sunny day and some measurements exceeded 160 degrees. In an effort to provide some shade, the preschool and church have purchased several "shade sails" that will be installed on the new tall wooden posts during the spring of 2020 to provide some relief from the heat. However, a permanent method of providing shade is to plant new trees along the playground fence, the larger the better, and hope they grow quickly. With advice from Newcomb Tree Service, we have received a quote to plant large tree specimens - 2 White Oaks and 4 "October Glory" Red Maples, 2 ½" caliper, balled and burlap trees, including labor to transport and install - for \$2,850. This work can be done before year's end. As you know, the best time to plant a tree is yesterday, the next best day is today.

We would like to have these trees planted by December 31 and are asking anyone interested in participating in their purchase and installation to consider contributing to the cost. A check of any amount can be made to the church, designated for "Buildings & Grounds", and everyone that contributes will be recognized at a dedication moment at a Sunday service once planting is complete.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please see Les or Pat at church.

Dale Pennell
Chairman, 2019 WUMC Church Council

PRAYER LIST

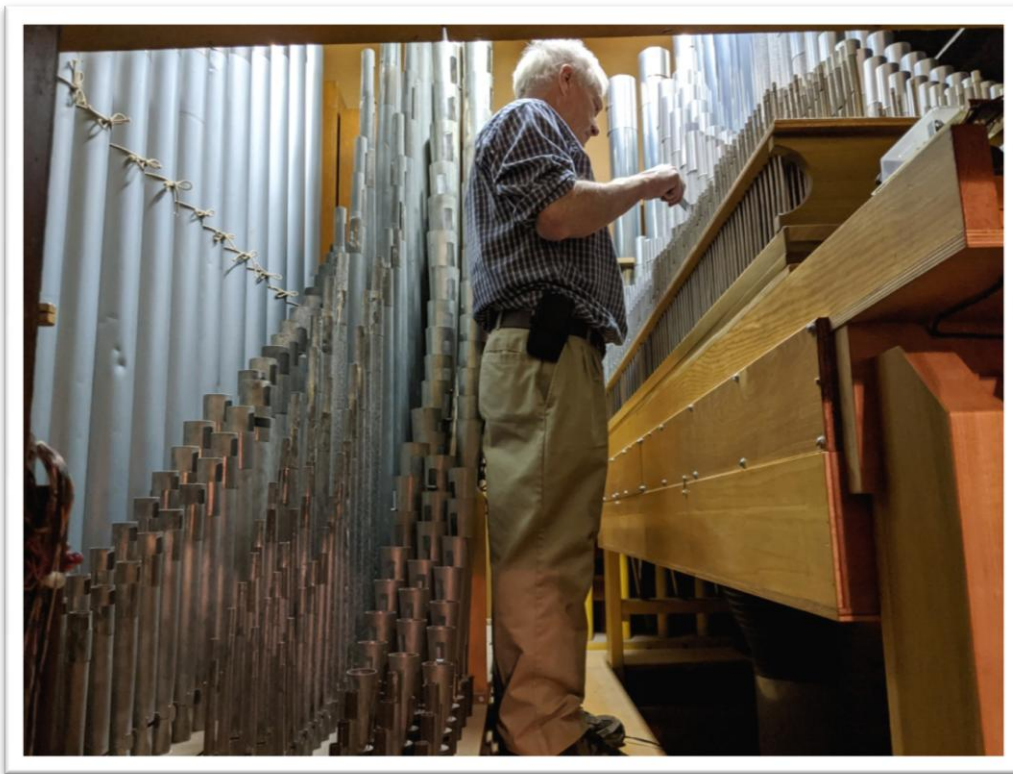
These are the same names that are printed in the bulletin each Sunday. The list is reset at the beginning of each month.

Wayne Ingle, Sam Strider, Don Mallicoat, Elaine Robinson, Emma Hughey, Bob Whiting, Jim & Lena Brooker, Patty Teiss, Louise Moore, Lou Moffatt, Debbie Fox, Robbie Bearlund, Peter & Patrich Truluck

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Here's a peek behind the scenes! Larry & Carol Ann Sprinkle came by the church recently to tune the organ. This has to happen twice a year so the organ continues to sound good as the weather changes. Larry tunes the organ by lengthening & shortening the pipes while Carol Ann played the organ console in the Sanctuary. Pictured below is one of two pipe rooms located directly behind the choir area. The organ was donated to the church in 1987 and has 2024 pipes. Although mostly new, it contains several stops recycled from older organs including: Grove Park Inn, Asheville; All Souls Episcopal, Asheville, First Baptist Church, Kingsport, TN; Keith Memorial UMC, Athens, TN; Methodist Episcopal Church, Marion, NC. The replacement cost of this organ today would exceed \$700,000.00. More information for the history buffs is available in Larry's "A History of the Organ" document attached to this

email.



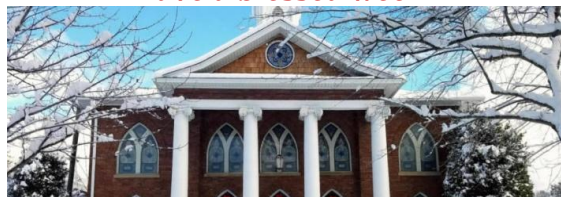
OFFICE CLOSURE

Please be advised the church office will be closed December 24 - January 1 for the Christmas & New Year holidays. The church calendar is always available online at www.weavervilleumc.org/ but if you need anything else during the holiday break you may contact Deval Mason for pastoral concerns (dmason@weavervilleumc.org) or Steve VanReenen (stevevanreenen@wumc.org) for building issues.

Merry Christmas!



Have a blessed week!



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