FROM REV. DEVAL MASON

I hope that everyone had a wonderful Labor Day weekend, whether it was camping, hiking, swimming or just spending quality time together as a family. Everybody needs special times to celebrate, such as the Labor Day holiday. Isn’t it great that the city parks and other places opened up just in time for the holiday weekend. Children, youth, and adults now have more opportunities to get out and do things. I hope you will take advantage of these various opportunities that you feel safe in doing. It is important to feel safe and comfortable in whatever we do, and it is nice to know that if we feel safe in doing them, there are now more opportunities to celebrate special holidays and special events in our lives. As we celebrate the life that God has blessed us with, let us remember that God Is Good! All The Time!

BLOOD DRIVE

September 20, 2020 | 12:00 - 5:00pm

It is Blood Drive time again and our area is in dire need of blood. Each donor will be given a $20 gift card and will be screened for COVID-19 antibodies. We will only schedule 3-4 donors every 15 minutes and masks will be required. 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 NC, SC, & Georgia including every hospital in Western NC (except Harris in Sylva), which means most of your donations will stay in our area. You can sign up to donate here: https://donate.thebloodconnection.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/132742 Due to the virus restrictions, I think that emailing or calling me will work better so I can let you know the times that are available. When you sign up for the first time you will need a photo ID and then you will be issued a donor card, which will then serve as your ID. Please contact 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 | (828)658 9908

NEWSLETTER CHANGE

Big changes are in store for the “Twizzler” weekly newsletter! Martha will be converting it over to MailChimp soon so it will be more secure, better-looking, and consistent among all email platforms going forward. You shouldn’t have to do a thing, just enjoy the new look. Things to know:

- If you do not receive the next Twizzler on Tuesday next week, please check your “spam” folder first. If you still don’t see it, let us know: office@weavervilleumc.org
- Make sure to add the above email address to your “safe senders” list so you don’t have any problems receiving messages.
2021 COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Many of you know that the Methodist Discipline calls for certain church committee members to only serve for certain periods of time. Many Methodist churches are struggling to find volunteers to serve on committees that keep our churches in repair, balancing budgets, managing staff, & many other functions. Our District Superintendent has made an exception for 2020/2021 for time served on committees. He has asked that we make no changes in our current committee volunteers except for individuals that have a need to step down. This will help our church & other Methodist churches to continue our work thru 2021 uninterrupted. The Nominations committee is working on filling just a couple spots for committee members who requested to step down.

I am so thankful for everyone who has helped to keep our church doors open whether it was in a virtual or physical way. Keep praying for the safety of our congregation, families, & staff.

-Angela Moser, Church Council Chair

FALL EVENTS

We are sad to have to announce that the annual WUMC fall picnic & craft bazaar have been cancelled due to the pandemic. Not knowing when NC will change current restrictions on social distancing makes planning both events difficult, as they require long range planning, volunteers, & crowds that current social distancing does not allow. Emily is working on a safe alternative to our annual “Trunk or Treat” celebration for the kids, so stay tuned for details on that.

We look forward to hosting great big messy gatherings again someday!

ONLINE YARD SALE

Watch the youth yard sale video here!

Online Yard Sale Donation Day: This Saturday 9/12 from 9-11am donation drop off for youth online yard sale fundraiser. Bring your furniture, sports equipment, or tools (no clothes at this time, please) to the Fellowship Center Parking lot and we will take it off your hands! Thanks for supporting the youth!

YOUTH GROUP

In-Person & Zoom: Wed 5:30-6:30 Read chapter 4 in "You Were Made to Make a Difference." BYO camp chair, study book, and mask. Meet in back parking lot. See you then! Or you can join us via Zoom:

zoom info: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8817420526?pwd=SEtrT2NXdWFuUzJ3eTB0S0Y3c1NmUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8817420526?pwd=SEtrT2NXdWFuUzJ3eTB0S0Y3c1NmUT09)
Meeting ID: 881 742 0526
Passcode: wumc

Yard Sale Help: Youth please meet Saturday 9/12 from 9-11am in the FC parking lot Saturday to help receive people's yard sale donations. Breakfast will be provided! BYO mask and your helping hands.

CHILDREN

Children's Sunday school materials pickup for all kids ages Pre-k through 5th grade: We are back at it, friends! Come pick up your Sunday School Supplies this Saturday 9/12 (no contact) from 9-11am in the Fellowship Center Parking Lot. Contact Emily at youth@weavervilleumc.org if you need to schedule a different pick up time.

Sunday school Zoom for children coming soon!
GOT BOOKS?

The Asheville Prison Books Project collects used books to donate to local prisons and would love to have your unwanted books. Rick Spoering left a collection box in the Narthex (foyer) of the church, so please bring your books by on Sunday morning to donate. They are hoping for paperback books no more than 2” thick, including dictionaries, with a special request for fiction books written by people of color. Call or e-mail Rick with any questions: 516-987-4791 or rjspoering@gmail.com

FINANCE UPDATE
Year-to-date church revenue: -$15,386.43

WUMC ONLINE
We have all kinds of videos available for you on our YouTube Channel: worship services, youth group activities, Sunday School classes, & more. https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAmGizE0NZIhe63PwJP_gSg/videos

You can view this past Sunday's indoor worship service here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Neck86jFa8M

WUMC ON ZOOM
Children's Message:
Sundays at 11:15am
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8817420526?pwd=SEtrT2NXdWFuUzJ3eTB0S0Y3c1NmUT09
Meeting ID: 881 742 0526
Passcode: wumc

"Ignite" Class:
Sundays at 9:00am
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8817420526?pwd=SEtrT2NXdWFuUzJ3eTB0S0Y3c1NmUT09
Meeting ID: 881 742 0526
Passcode: wumc

"Bible 101" Class:
Sundays at 9:00am
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84825341744?pwd=N3o4YWp6ZlRYdmdTbnJnMG9MbU9GZz09
Meeting ID: 848 2534 1744
Passcode: 944516

CHURCH ATTENDANCE
Have you been curious how many folks are turning up for worship these days? This past Sunday (9/6) we ended up with 42 people in person (in the Sanctuary and listening outside), plus a whole bunch more watching online.

SUPPORTING THE CHURCH
Thank you very much to everyone who has continued to support WUMC with their contributions! 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
   Weaverville, NC 28787
PRAYER LIST
Delailiah Ford, Lee Roy & Dianne Griffin, Emma Hughey, Connie Martin, Betty Sexton, Tom Stade (Angela Moser’s father), Jackson Stafford, Mac White
We also offer up special prayers for our school employees, students, and families as they navigate through this uncertain time.
This list is reset at the beginning of each month. Please email office@weavervilleumc.org to request changes.

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 them 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

May God bless you and keep you.

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