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## WUMC Newsletter 10/05/2023

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**At WUMC we have just one worship at 11 am on Sundays!**

**All are welcome to join!**

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**"The elders who direct the affairs of the church well are worthy of double honor, especially those whose work is preaching and teaching" (1 Tim 5:17)**

It is thought that the concept of pastor appreciation started with the Apostle Paul as he was establishing the first Christian churches and since the early 1990's, October has been recognized as Pastor Appreciation Month! Oct 8th serves as this year's official day.

At WUMC we are grateful for all Pastor Richard has done for us! Please consider thoughtful ways you feel moved to celebrate and thank him: a prayer, a handshake and smile, a handwritten thank you note, a gift card, a gift of some kind, or any one of the numbers of ways our church is so thoughtful!

**Thank you, Pastor Richard!**

-WUMC SPRC

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**What:** Sunday School classes!

**When:** Sundays 10 am

**Where:** WUMC Education Building, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

**Who:** We are offering the following classes, so come join us!

- **K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Taught by Blake Cooper and team!
- **6-8<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Taught by Holland Silver and team!
- **9-12<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Taught by Bob Cipriano and Gary Sanders!
- **Parent Sunday School:** Meet and Greet other parents! Help guide this class for the weeks to come!
- **Nursery Services are available at 10 am!**



Weaverville UMC's Youth Group meets  
**every Sunday in the main room of the Fellowship Hall from 4:30pm-6pm**  
Snacks are provided. Bring a friend. Bring your Bible. Join the Fun.

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**Operation Christmas Child**  
**3 weeks to go!**

Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international relief organization. Our mission is to provide local partners around the world with shoe boxes filled with small toys, hygiene items, and school supplies as a means of reaching out to children in their own communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Shoe Boxes are shipped to children affected by war, poverty, natural disaster, famine and disease internationally; and to children living on Navtive American reservations in the US. Please return your box no later than **November 5**. Contact Person is Renee Weaver at [grohweaver@aol.com](mailto:grohweaver@aol.com)

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### **Sewing Bee**

***Join us this Saturday, October 7***

**9:00am - 5:00pm**

**Fellowship Center: main room and Love Conference Room**

A bee day is a fun time with like-minded quilters working on individual projects. Bring your sewing supplies and come get crafty with us! All kinds of sewing projects are welcome, not just quilting. You are welcome to stay for all of just part of the day -- whatever works for your schedule. There will be show & tell, Q& A if you are stuck, & a whole day devoted to your project. Please contact Angela Moser at 828-215-2642 or email [Missangelf@outlook.com](mailto:Missangelf@outlook.com)



### **Ad Council Meeting**

**Thursday, October 12, at 6pm in the Love Conference Room**



This year's charge conference is scheduled for Sunday, October 15, 2023 at  
4pm

Location: Salem UMC, 9 Salem Church Rd. Weaverville, NC 28787



The Nurture Committee believes it is important for the church to support our students who are away from home studying. It is an exciting time for them, full of challenges and temptations, and it is vital that they continue to feel love and support from their Church family. Generous donors have established a fund to periodically send our students words of encouragement and funds for dinner.

**In order for this ministry to be effective we need the names and addresses of our students who are studying away.**

If you have a student that meets these criteria, please provide their name and address to the church office or to me directly at [jrcipria@msn.com](mailto:jrcipria@msn.com). You may also contribute to the student fund by identifying donations for that purpose.



**There will be no choir rehearsal on Wednesday, October 18**



If you can't be with us in the "Studio," prayercast with us from wherever you are.

Feel free to contact our leader, Mark Sudimak at 302.242.6807, email [msudimak60@gmail.com](mailto:msudimak60@gmail.com)

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The B.E.A.R. ministry and our clients say THANK YOU for all your support! !

Other needs are for the following:

Infant car seats, strollers, highchairs, bassinets, pack and plays. Any non-expired car seats or boosters for car. Gently used/outgrown clothing & equipment always appreciated.

See the Amazon Wishlist on the church

website. <https://www.weavervilleumc.org> Click BEAR Closet for ideas

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Help with 1st Mondays of the month for afternoon pickups from 5-7pm and 2nd & 4th & 5th from 10am-noon on a one time or regular basis.**



**ABCCM**

Not just help for a day, but for life.

**HELP!** The food pantry shelves are in need of a major restocking. All of the most requested items are going out the minute they come in.

**If you work where you might sponsor a food drive, please consider putting out a box.**

Any amount helps and folks are more likely to donate when it's easy to bring to work!

**List this week: Canned stew, Chef Boyardee, canned chicken, spaghetti noodles, Jelly, instant potato packages.**

The pantry also accepts food and clothing directly at the **ABCCM North** location (403 Weaverville Hwy.) Monday- Friday, 10am - 2pm.

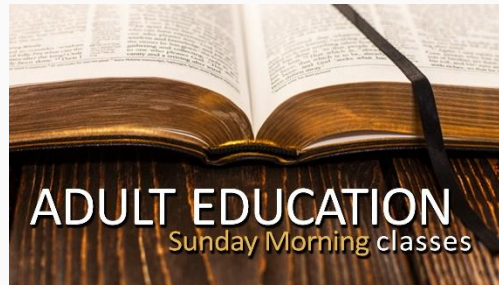
For 1 day a week volunteer opportunities call the director Sheryl Olsen @ 828-259-5313 or visit [abccm.org](http://abccm.org) for a full explanation.

We are really in need of someone to help unload boxes once a week from Manna, and/or a driver who is willing to pick up local donations once a week.

Sharing food can allow our local unemployed and older population to pay their rent, utilities, medical bills, children's needs, ... and stay housed. Sadly, It doesn't take much to end up homeless these days.

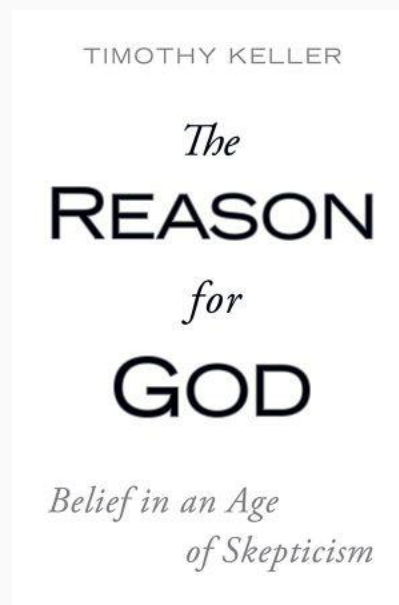
*1 John: 3:17 "How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses to help?"*

Harsh - but straight from the book!

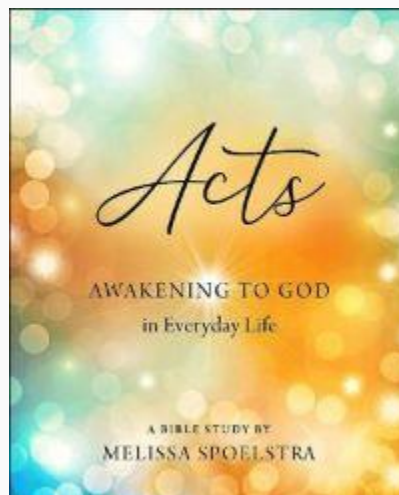


### **Explorers Class**

**We meet at 10 am in the Love Conference Room each Sunday**



### **Women's Bible Study**



Our women's bible study started with **Acts Awakening to God in Every Day Life** by Melissa Spoelstra. This is a 6-week study that will lead us to awaken to spiritual growth in God in our daily life. It is co-led by Angela Moser & Lorraine Cipriano.

Meeting Dates: **Sundays at 4:30pm & Tuesdays at 10:30am in the Love conference room.**

This study will end mid October.  
We will start a study on prayer on November 5th & 7th that will end before Christmas. More information to follow.  
Please contact Angela Moser at 828-215-2642 or [Missangelf@outlook.com](mailto:Missangelf@outlook.com) for any questions.

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### **Worship Service**

You are invited to join us this Sunday morning for our worship service at 9:00am and 11:00am, and we have many options to suit your comfort level:

- attend inside the Sanctuary
- watch the live stream on [YouTube](#)
- park in the church parking lot and listen to the service in your vehicle by tuning your FM radio to 90.9
- bring lawn chairs and listen outside on the front lawn (A radio will be broadcasting the service.)

### **\*\*Worship Service Times\*\***

Sunday School at 10 am  
Worship at 11 am, Communion this Sunday

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### **Praises:**

Jennifer Phillips new home, Visitors at Worship

### **Praises/Concerns:**

North Buncombe Students going to Denmark to study, Stuart Humphrey, Ray Rodrigue, Pamela Witcher, Chris Whorshom

### **Families of Deceased:**

The Family of Dottie Sherrill  
Colehep Family

### **Concerns:**

The disaffiliation within the Methodist Church, Andy, Kent Atwood, Dave Barnell, Pat Beatty, Deb Beckman, Joseph Beilman, Marie Bertini, Charlie



Bilcher, Cameron Blevins, Ed Blount, Jim Champion, Jason Cipriano, David Coffey, Judy Cole, Steve Cook, Baby Davis, Baby Patrick, Lisa Dennison, Pat Duncan, Sandra Dyson, Lincoln Dyson, Mary Ann Fieffer, Laura Franklin, Cole Finch, Beth Finlay, Jamie Gash, Michael Gomon, Gale Gordon, Doug Green, Martha and Jack Harris, Vickie Harris, Lynn and Cliff Harvey, Hayden, Shan Henderson, Emma Hughey, Becky Humphrey, Allen Johnson, Rebecca Johnson, Lois Jost, Tom Kelly, Carrol Lawrence, Amanda Linstrom, Matt Lovelace, Mary Frances McAbee Alex McBride, Nancy McCrink, Jan McNamara-Houck, Frank Meadows, Robin Murray, Dan Nester, Jennifer Phillips, Rick and Julie Phillips, Pearl Phillips, John Ramsey, Sheldon Rice, Venus Roberts, Gary Rodrigue, Doris Sorrells, Thomas Stade, Joan Stafford, Greg Strohm, Robert Teller, Jack and Mary Teague, Holence Topkin, Robin Tresco, Robin Truscott, Michael Watkins, Faye Williams, Jean Williams, Claire Williamson, War in Ukraine.

Please request changes to the prayer list [here](#).



## Supporting the Church

### General Giving By Week:

Target Giving Goal each week: **\$9,000.00**

Sept. 3: **\$3,758.00**

Sept 10: **\$6,804.90**

Sept. 17: **\$16,580.00**

### As of Sept. 30, 2023

Revenue \$ 277,350.12

Expenses \$ 279,666.59

Total \$ **-2,316.47**

Mortgage Balance: **\$218,980.99**

### Attendance at worship:

9/3/2023: 9am: 13 11am: 94 = **107 total**

9/10/2023: 9am: 22 11am: 107 = **129 total**

9/17/2023: 9am: 12 11am: 88 = **100 total**

9/24/2023: 9am: 16 11am: 98 = **114 total**

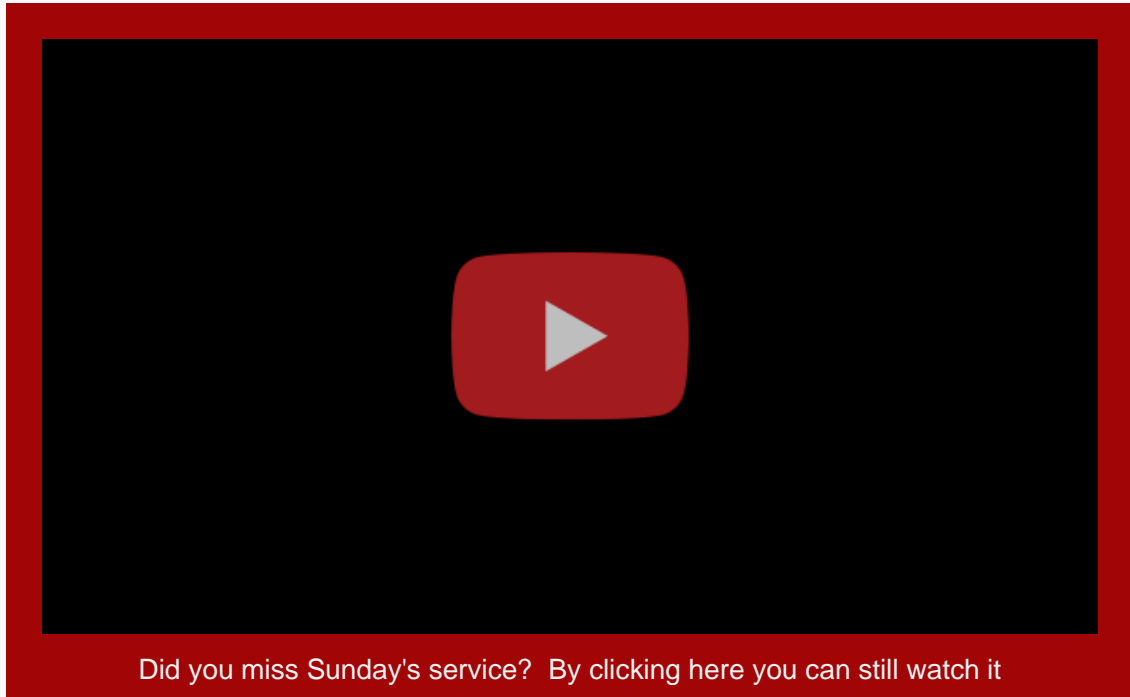
10/1/2023: 11am: **93 total**

## Finance Update

Thank you very much to everyone who has continued to support WUMC with their contributions! Options to donate:

1. On our [web site](#)
2. Through your bank's online bill pay
3. Mail checks to:

Weaverville United Methodist Church | PO Box 37 | Weaverville, NC 28787



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**Deadline for newsletter submissions:  
12:00pm (Noon) on Tuesdays**