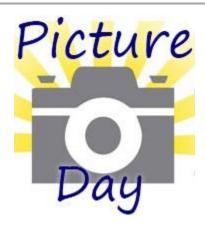
WUMC Newsletter 05/29/2025



Tom Koenig is taking pictures of all members following worship on Sundays for our new church directory. It will be most successful when everyone participates with their best smile.



Camp Meeting Days starting Memorial Day weekend. Short sleeves and shorts are allowed and encouraged during worship.



Father's Day Prison Ministry

Join us in spreading love and encouragement this Father's Day.

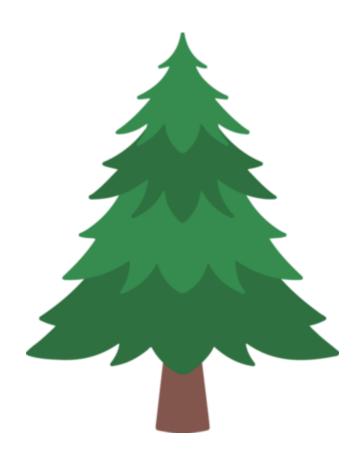
Weaverville UMC is sponsoring a special outreach project this Father's Day to support the men at Craggy Correctional Center near Asheville. We invite our congregation to participate by adding a word of encouragement to preprinted Father's Day cards. Your heartfelt words can make a significant difference for these men to realize they are being prayed for and that someone cares about their journey. Our messages of hope can help them recognize that the lives they led before prison can be transformed into positive futures once they are released. We hope to inspire these men to rely on God, prepare for a better future, and strengthen their families.

You are invited to personalize the cards with your own words or choose from the greetings and signatures provided on the guide sheet included with each packet. Our goal is to complete approximately 300 cards for Father's Day. Packets of cards are available on the table in the narthex. Please take a packet and return the completed cards on June 8.



for our Vacation Bible School!

We are still looking for **leaders for the Recreation station and the Preschool**. Please prayerfully consider joining our team!

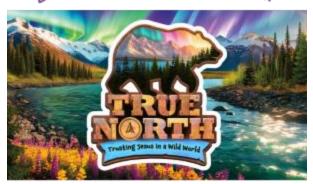


WE NEED YOUR TREES!!! Bring your trees, adopt a prop items, and any other donated items to the church by **June 1st**.

Thank you all for all your support!

-- The VBS Leadership Team

Looking for Mountains of Fun,



Weaverville UMC True North VBS points us toward Jesus as the faithful friend we can always trust. He is our TRUE NORTH!

When: June 16 - 19

Time: 9am - 12pm
Ages: 3 year-olds - rising 5th graders
Cost: FREE!

Questions or want to volunteer? Email WeavervilleUMCkids@gmail.com

> You otter join us! Register today using the link below!

https://vbspro.events/p/wumctrue



Blood Drive Weaverville United Methodist Church

Fellowship Center 90 N Main St Weaverville, NC 28787

Monday, June 9, 2025 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

To make an appointment or for more information, please call 1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter Sponsor Code "WUMC".

Bring your Red Cross Donor Card or Photo ID.



Download the Blood Donor App today. Get your digital donor card, schedule your next appointment, track your lifetime donations, view your blood pressure, and follow your donation on its way to a hospital.



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The Circles will be taking the summer off:

The **Minevia Brittain Circle** will resume meeting in September with a dinner in July. More details to follow. Call or text Joy Pansiera for info @828-777-233

The **Matilda Dryman Circle** will not meet in June and July but will meet on the 3rd Thursday in August for lunch at a local restaurant. Call or text Joanie Strohm for more info @ 828- 707-8928. or email ssjsmars@charter.net.

PLEASE feel free to join us at any/all meetings!

Our mission: We seek to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship and

education so that they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities.



Birthdays in June

The love and blessings of the Lord may be with you on your birthday and every day!

June 3: Robin Ingle. Marge Johnson, June 5: Audrey Blount, Dale Pennell

June 6: Lydia Dillingham, Holly Leavitt, Dick Wilfong

June 7: Patty Keeran June 8: Stan Strohm June 9: Katie Ybarra June 10: Asher Roop

June 12: Diane VanReenen

June 15: Judith Harris, Les Love, Kylie Rogers

June 16: Bill Fieffer, John Meadows June 18: Tom Koenig, Mary Lovelace

June 20: Kevin Lance June 25: Susan DeBonis

June 27: Elizabeth Hamrick, Zeb Penland, Liz Simpson, Marilyn Williams

June 29: John Hamrick June 30: Matthew Rogers



B.E.A.R. Closet Hours: 1st and 3rd Mondays from 5-7pm 2nd, 4th and 5th (when applicable) Mondays from 10am-12pm

THANK YOU all for your support!

Current Needs: Girls 6 or 6T tops, shorts and summer dresses, size 13 sneakers and sandals for Girls, baby food, non-expired car seats and car booster seats.

Use our wish lists on <u>Amazon</u>, <u>Target</u>, and <u>Walmart</u> for specific ideas. All our info and links are also on the WUMC

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

Want to help out? Contact Catherine Love at catmlove@charter.net or



Not just help for a day, but for life.

Abundant Giving: Weaverville UMC Lifts Up Our Neighbors in Need



In February, longtime volunteer Joy Pansiera, who faithfully serves in the North Crisis Ministry food pantry every Thursday, came to us with a beautiful idea — she wanted to organize a food drive at her church, Weaverville United Methodist. Knowing firsthand the ongoing needs of the pantry, Joy asked us for a list of the most needed food items,

and we gladly shared it.

Without delay, Joy spread the word through the church bulletin, inviting the congregation to join her mission. Week by week, the donations poured in — canned goods, pantry staples, and more — and Joy kept careful track, weighing each week's contributions and updating our team. The generosity of the Weaverville UMC community was truly overwhelming.

We are deeply grateful for the compassionate hearts at Weaverville United Methodist Church and for their abundant giving spirit. It's because of churches like Weaverville Methodist — over 300 throughout Buncombe County — that we are able to meet the growing needs of our neighbors, providing not just food, but also help with rent, electric bills, and the gift of time through volunteer service.

If you or your church would like to organize a food drive, donate funds, or volunteer to help neighbors in need, please call us at (828) 259-5300 or visit www.abccm.org. Together, we can continue making a difference, one generous act at a time.

Sheryl Olsen

Senior Volunteer Coordinator



Current Needs: Grits, Hearty Canned Soups, Adult Cold Cereal, Mac'n Cheese, Jelly, Rice.

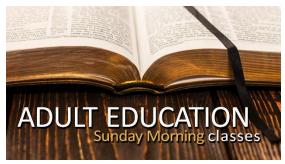
As always, monetary donations can be made to the WUMC and placed in the offering basket. Use the notation **ABCCM North** for food, and **ABCCM Other** for rent and utilities assistance



Bring your Bible and a Friend! Snacks are provided

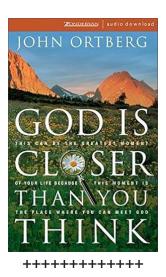


Children's Sunday School is meeting this Sunday at 9:45am in the Education Building.



Explorers Class

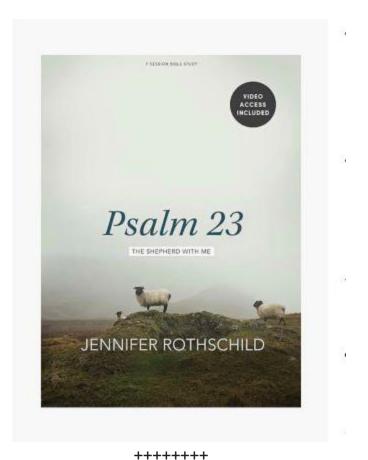
The Explorer Class is studying <u>God is Closer Than You Think</u> by John Ortberg. Its focus is on deepening our relationship with God. We invite anyone to join our discussions on Sunday Mornings at 10am in the Love Conference Room.



Women's Bible Study

Tuesday June 3rd will conclude the Women's Bible Study for the summer. Afterwards we will meet for Lunch at Soba's restaurant for lunch at 1215pm. If you have been a part of any of our Bible studies, please come & join us. Please RSVP with Angela Moser missangelf@outlook.com 828-215-2642 or Loraine Cipriano at 828-707-2724 or raincip@charter.net

We will resume the Women's Bible study on Tuesday September 9th. Look for an announcement coming later this summer.



Ignite Class



Ignite will be studying the Wired Word each week through the start of summer break. Now is a great time to come visit the class as there is no reading ahead required. Just good conversation!

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With great sadness we extend our deepest condolences to the family of **James Sexton**

who passed into God's kingdom on Friday, May 23, 2025.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00am, Thursday May 29, 2025, at Weaverville United Methodist Church, with Rev. Richard Blount officiating. Burial will follow in West Memorial Park, 40 Roberts Street, Weaverville, where he will be laid to rest next to his beloved wife of 72 years.

The family will receive friends from 9:30am to 10:45am on Thursday, May 29, 2025, prior to the funeral service at the church. Flowers are appreciated and memorial donations may be made to the Senior Wellness Program, First Baptist Church, Weaverville. Condolences may be offered to the family under his obituary at www.westfamilyfuneralservices.com.



Please let the office know of anyone you want to be included in our prayers PRAISES

New Youth and Children's Director Ann Owens, Visiting Families, Sophie Banks, Larry Dryer, Karlyn Pickens, Rick Spoering, Unspoken, Tom Weaver.

FAMILIES OF DECEASED:

Family of Adam Johnson, Family of James Sexton

PRAISES/CONCERNS

Hurricane Helene Recovery, New Church Directory, Susan DeBonis, Christina Freelan, Gwen Harris, Cliff Harvey Travel Mercies, Emily Sewel, Rick Spoering, Tom Weaver.

CONCERNS:

Government and Government Employees, Global Economy, Logistic Workers, Hurricane Helene victims, Heather Abadilla, Michale Atkinson, Geraldine Avett, Terry Banks, Lynn and Kenny Boring, Deana Breedlove, Bonnie Bullman, Teresa and Joe Cipriano, Lynn Cooper, Pastor Terry and Jan Duckworth, Tracy Fiaco, Ardell Forehand, Patricia Foresmand, Tonya Fotinos, Judy Gentry, Emma Grace, Jim Greenhut, Lynn Harvey, Bill Hawkins, Shawn Henderson, Gwen Kelsey, Craig and Tina Monaco, Jeanne Morgan, Angela Moser, Joyce Payne, Pamela Penley, Jennifer Phillips, Elizabeth Porras, Mark Ralls, Beverly Ramsey, Nancy Ramsey, Rev. Dr. Jonathan Smith, Stacy Schlimer, Joan Stafford, Tom Stade, Stan and Joanie Strohm, Susan Sudimak, Unspoken, People in Ukraine, Gaza, Israel, Syria, Yemen, Pakistan and India.



Supporting the Church

General Giving By Week:

Target Giving Goal each week: \$9,000.00

May 4: \$6,831.00 May 11: \$3,644.00 May 18: \$4,675.00 May 23: \$5,773.00

As of March 31, 2025:

Income: \$88,985.66 Expenses \$114,782.38 Net: -\$25,796.72

Mortgage Balance \$146,111.55

Attendance at worship:

May 4: 108 total May 11: 117 total May 18: 83 total May 23: 90 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:

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