



WUMC Newsletter 09/04/2025

Attention: Balcony Stairwell Closed.



Cause

The stairwell to the balcony is closed due to water damage in the ceiling.

Effect

We will not have amplified sound, streaming, or be able to record our worship service until repairs are made.

The stairwell to the balcony is closed until further notice. Upon the restoration of water damage it was discovered that the ceiling beams and boards above the drywall are water damaged, rotted, and sitting on the drywall. The stairwell is not safe and as a result the stairwell is off limits. We have reached out to contractors and hope to have the issue corrected as quickly as is possible. **That means we will not be able to resume our streaming service for at least another week.**

By God's Good Grace,
Pastor Richard



My brothers and sisters in Christ,

The fall is a good time to make sure we are grounded in our faith. When I was first appointed to Weaverville UMC we reviewed what United Methodists believe by following the Adam Hamilton's book "Creed" about the Apostle's Creed. It's hard to believe, but that was three years ago. This time we are going to discuss our Wesleyan theology through the lens of the Nicene Creed. From September 7 through October 12 we will be using Micheal Carpenter's book "We Believe: How the Nicene Creed Can Deepen Your Faith" as we reexamine what United Methodist's believe. To help with that for the next six weeks we will make a swap. We will recite the Nicene Creed instead of the Apostle's Creed in worship. Then we will switch back. If you are unfamiliar with the Nicene Creed you can read it below, or find it on page 880 in your hymnal.

By God's Good Grace,
Pastor Richard

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



Youth Group will meet on Sunday, September 7, at 4:30pm in the Fellowship Hall for Youth Olympic Games.

"Bring a friend for a fun evening of Olympic-inspired games. We will eat pizza and divide up into teams to see which group will go home with the **gold!**"

Next week, on September 14, we will leave **right after church, at 12:30 pm** to ride together to the Mountain State/County Fair. Please email Pastor Ann, youth@weavervilleumc.org, if you're planning to attend, so we can plan

transportation accordingly.

The schedule of events for children and youth are below. A copy outside of Pastor Ann's office or at the back of the Sanctuary, is also available.

Youth Calendar

FALL 2025

Youth Sunday School

Starts Sept. 7 @ 10a | Every Sun,
7th-12th Grade | Room 307

SEPTEMBER

Sept. 6 - Rafting | 11a - 6p

Sept. 7 - Youth Olympic Games | 4:30p

Sept. 14 - County Fair | 12:30p

Sept. 20 - Parking Lot Fundraiser | 9a

Sept. 21 - Mission: Helene Clean-up | 12p

Sept. 28 - Youth Group | 4:30p

OCTOBER

Oct 5 - Youth Led Worship | 10a

- Youth Group | 4:30p

Oct 12 - Youth Group | 4:30p

Oct. 19 - Mission: BEAR Closet | 4:30p

Oct. 26 - Escape Room | 4:30p

Oct. 31 - Halloween Helpers | 5-8p

NOVEMBER

Nov. 2 - Youth Group | 4:30p

Nov. 9 - Youth Group | 4:30p

Nov. 16 - Mission Minded | 4:30p

Nov. 23 - Thanksgiving Potluck | 4:30p

Nov. 30 - Bowling | 4:30p

DECEMBER

Dec. 7 - Youth Group | 4:30 p

Dec. 14 - Christmas Party! | 4:30p

Dec. 21 - Mission: Caroling | 12:30p

Dec. 28 - NO Programs

PASTOR ANN OWENS

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WEAVERVILLE

United Methodist Church

YOUTH@WEAVERVILLEUMC.ORG

Our Children & Youth programs will be back in full-swing on **September 7**, including Children's Worship and Sunday School. We have an amazing team of dedicated leaders who are ready to teach and care for your child(ren).



Children's Ministry

FALL 2025




SUNDAY SCHOOL

Starts Sept. 7

Meets weekly at 10a. PreK-6th grade students gather in Room 302, for activities. Once everyone has arrived, we will separate into PreK-2nd grade & 3rd - 6th grade.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

A moment, during worship, for children to gather by the altar for a child-friendly lesson

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

After Children's Message, children are invited to Wesley Brown class, to explore where they see God in a story. Children return at closing hymn

NURSERY

Offered weekly for PreK-aged children, during 11a worship - 1st floor (Preschool)

FALL EVENTS

Sept. 14 - County Fair | 12:30p
Oct. 26 - Escape Room | 4:30p
Nov. 30 - Bowling | 4:30p
Dec. 21 - Caroling & Movie | 12:30p
Dec. 24 - Family-Friendly Christmas Eve worship

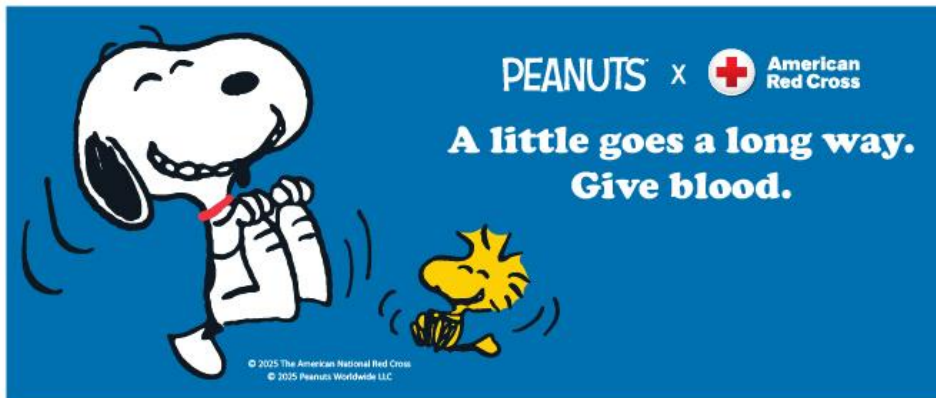


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Are you a parent looking for something to do during the Sunday School hour? Join the **Ignite** Sunday school class. They meet one floor below the children and youth, in the Wesley Brown Classroom, at 10 a.m. For more information, reach out to Jason Rodrigue jasonarodrigue@yahoo.com

These events happen, thanks to the support from everyone in our congregation, showing up and loving our children and youth. There are several ways to serve and lead with our children & youth ministries this season. Please consider serving with us as we learn and grow together. Email Pastor Ann (youth@weavervilleumc.org) or click here to sign up online - <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F45AEAD23A5FF2-58055134-fall>



Blood Drive **Weaverville United** **Methodist Church**

Fellowship Center
85 N Main St (Across Street from Church)
Weaverville, NC 28787

Monday, September 8, 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.
Walk-Ins are welcome, appointments honored first!



Give blood 8/29 to 9/21 for 1 of 4 mystery tees with an
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B.E.A.R. Closet Hours:
1st and 3rd Mondays from 5-7pm
2nd, 4th and 5th (when applicable) Mondays from 10am-12pm

*****SAVE THE DATE*****

We're having our Fall season change event **next Thursday, September 11th** in the Fellowship Hall from 9 to 4. Come any time you have to spare. Join the fun and fellowship -- no pre-training required. The more the merrier so bring a friend.

Want to help out? Contact Catherine Love at catmlove@charter.net or call the BEAR closet at 828.658.5373. There are options to volunteer on a one time or regular basis. Come by during our open hours and check us out!



Youth Group Fundraiser, Saturday, September 20th!

This year we're back in full swing with our annual parking lot fundraiser. All proceeds will go towards the youth ministry budget. But we need your help! To make this work, we need 6 volunteers per 2 hour time period, 10am - 6pm. This is also a great outreach opportunity for our church community. We'd love your support to help our youth ministry spread the love of Christ to our neighbors. Reach out to Pastor Ann youth@weavervilleumc.org "



Sewing Bee

Join us for our next sewing bee!

Saturday, September 6, from 9:30am-4:30pm

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 or 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



M&Ms (Mature and Methodist) will begin our autumn meetings with Pastor Richard as our speaker!

Our meal will be fried chicken, sides and desserts Meet us for fun and fellowship on **Thursday, September 18th at 11:45am in the Fellowship Hall.**

Please let Lorraine know if you can bring sides or desserts: Lorraine Cipriano (828-707-2724) raincip@charter.net
Also, RSVP to Lorraine so that we can prepare enough food and be ready to welcome everyone.

We are looking forward to meeting again and please remember to invite friends. If you haven't attended before, hope you can make it on September 18th.



Birthdays in September

May God's grace be with you on your birthday and every day!

September 1: Rick Broadhurst, Mandy Williams
September 6: Anna Horrell
September 7: Joyce Jost, Joan Rzeszotarski, Joanie Strohm, Monica Weinstein
September 9: Joyce Payne
September 10: Joe Cipriano, Jon Corbin
September 11: Delise Childress
September 12: Grace Rodrigue
September 13: Elaine Robinson
September 16: Shirley Jones
September 17: Kenneth Lovelace, Dick Simpson
September 18: Phil Barnett, Liza Porras
September 21: Jeff Pennell, Joan Stafford
September 22: Ann Grose, Maryworth Hilliard, Charlie Harnish
September 23: Gary Greenfield
September 24: Connor Hoots, Jackson Hoots, William Hoots
September 25: Lauren Corbin
September 26: Meredith Switzer
September 27: Cami Blevins
September 29: Aubrey Cooper, David Harris, Shannon McBride



ABCCM

Not just help for a day, but for life.

These items always need replenishing: canned chicken and tuna, hearty soups, adult cold cereal, mac'n cheese.

If you have an excess of fresh garden vegetables, consider sharing by dropping them off at 403 Weaverville Hwy (the North office) between 8:30 - 4:30 Monday through Friday.

Thanks for keeping others in mind while filling your grocery cart!!

It's probably the easiest way to help struggling local families in this strained economy.

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

Weaverville Music Study Club Presents
**The Mountain Folk Harp Society
of Asheville**
In Concert



Friday September 12th 7:00
Weaverville First Baptist Church
63 North Main St.

Community Sponsors:
West Family Funeral Services
Peterson Insurance Group, Inc.
Edward Jones-Bill Boughton
Motoriffic Sales and Service, LLC

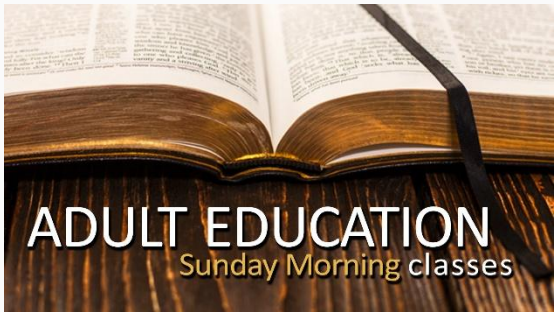
Freewill offering to benefit the 2026 North Buncombe Music Scholarship
www.weavervillemusicstudyclub.org



Maggie Whitcraft
Marriage and Family Therapist Intern

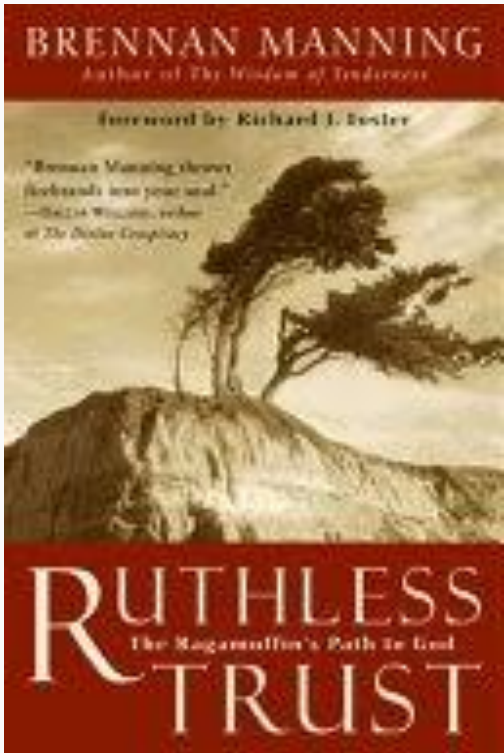
Healing Together Counseling, PLLC
Cell: 828.333.7235

My name is Maggie and I have been in the Asheville area for twenty years. I have been attending Montreat College to pursue my Masters in Marriage and Family Therapy. I will be interning at Healing Together Counseling right here in Weaverville until December 2025. I am looking for couples and families in need of therapy. I will be able to offer free counseling for couples and families through December. I can offer premarital counseling, couples counseling, play therapy for parents and their children, and am offering a group Dialectical Behavior Therapy session for multifamilies (parents and teens). Please reach out and let me know how I can help you. You can email me at maggie@healingtogethercounseling.org or call me at (828)333-7235.



Explorers Class

Explorer Class is studying Ruthless Trust by Brennan Manning. The meeting takes place in the Love Conference Room at 10 am.



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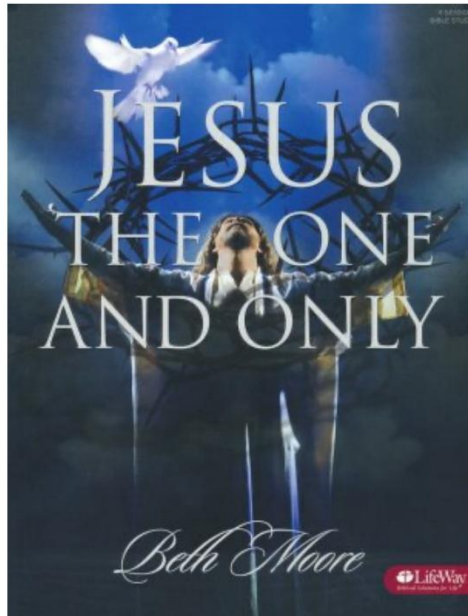
Ignite Class

The Ignite Class will resume our study on Sunday, September 7, at 10 am in the Wesley Brown Room.

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Women's Bible Study

Women's Tuesday bible study will resume on **September 9th** at 10:30am to 12 noon in the Love Conference room. Our new study is called *Jesus the One and Only* by Beth Moore. **Please read the Introduction in the book prior to 1st class.** We are looking forward to seeing everyone. Please invite a friend or neighbor to join this study group. Contact Angela Moser at 828-215-2642 or Loraine Cipriano at 828-707-2724 if you have any questions.



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

PRAISES

Susan and Nick DeBonis' 41 year wedding anniversary, Joyce Jost.

FAMILIES OF DECEASED:

Family of Caroleen Morton.

PRAISES/CONCERNS

All students and teachers going back to school; Hurricane Helene Recovery, Kenny Boring, Rev. Mark Ralls.

CONCERNS:

Prayer for God's Direction, Earthquake in Afghanistan, Government and Government Employees, Annunciation Catholic Church Shooting, Audrey

Blount, Bonnie Bullman, Gary Cooper, Holly Cooper, Susan Dankel, Tracy Fiacco, Patricia Foresman, Tonya Fotinos, Anne Gaddy, Janice Garland, Jim Greenhut, Rev. Dawn Hand, Dani Harnish, Brad Harvey, Lynn Harvey, Shawn Henderson, Jacob Ingram, Dick Litz, Shannon Loflin, Craig and Tina Monaco, Joey Morelock, Jennifer Phillips, Tyler Rockwood, Sharon Rodrigue, Nancy Roop, Emily Sewel, Joan Stafford, Tom Stade, Stan and Joanie Strohm, Louis Williamson, Joe Witcher, World Conflicts, US Armed Forces.



Supporting the Church

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

August 3: \$11,841.00
August 10: \$7,376.00
August 17: \$9,541.00
August 24: \$5,322.00
August 31: \$5,035.00

As of July 31, 2025:
Income: \$223,937.98
Expenses \$248,516.08
Net: **-\$24,578.10**

Mortgage Balance \$ 140,484.64

Attendance at worship:

August 3: 92 total
August 10: 89 total
August 17: 93 total
August 24: 117 total
August 31: 95 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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