



WUMC Newsletter 10/23/2025

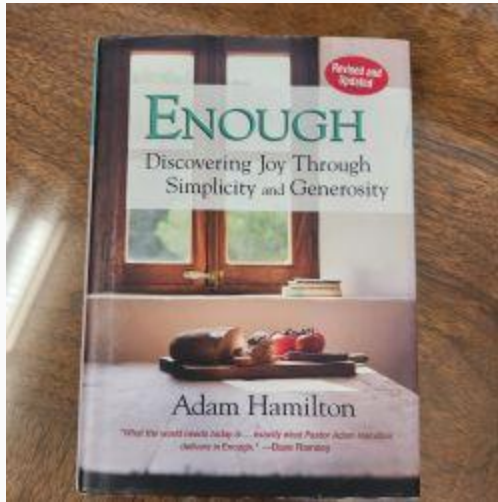


CANDY, CANDY, CANDY!!

Halloween is approaching and we need your help! Each year, church members help supply Pastor Richard's house with candy to pass out for Halloween! We will be collecting Candy donations on Sunday Oct. 19 & 26. There will be a collection bin at the back of the Sanctuary. You may also bring them during the week to the office.

Adult **and** Youth Volunteers are also needed to hand out candy at the Parsonage at 35 Church Street on Halloween (Friday). Short shifts to allow time for trick-or-treating! Consider signing up with a friend, handing out candy for 30 minutes, then enjoy trick-or-treating! ***Time commitment: 30 minute shifts during 5-8pm.*** This is a great outreach opportunity to share our church ministries with others in the Weaverville area!
Click the link to sign-up to hand out candy

[Click Here](#)



New Sermon Series

We have concluded our sermon series on the Nicene Creed and returned to confessing our faith through the Apostle's Creed. We begin a new sermon series based on Adam Hamilton's book *Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity*. Please pick up a copy that we might follow along together.



October is Clergy Appreciation Month.

Let's make Pastor Richard (his birthday was October 7th) and Pastor Ann (her birthday was October 6th) feel welcome and appreciated by showering them with cards, letters, hugs and gifts.



Breakout Room - October 26

Youth Group field trip to the Breakout Games in Asheville. We will work as a team to try and escape one of the many different rooms. We will meet at the church parking lot at 4:30 pm for pizza, then load up in the church van. Join us for a night of Spooky fun!

Youth/Children Special Events Request

Pastor Ann wants to support all WUMC children and youth in their extra curricular activities - sporting events, theater, and other special events. Please fill out this form so Ann can come out and support YOU!

[Click here for special events requests](#)



Follow Us on Instagram!

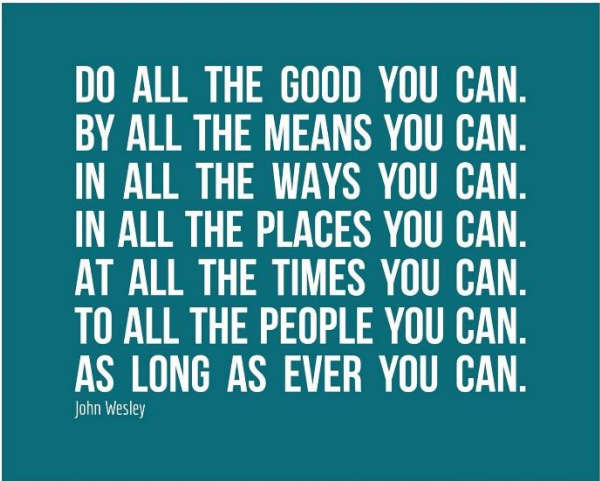
Curious About What Our Youth Are Up To?
Stay connected and see all the exciting things happening in our youth ministry by following us on Instagram! From service projects and Sunday fun to special events and meaningful moments—this is your inside look at the life of our youth group.

📱 Follow us: @weaverville_umc_youth
Let’s grow, serve, and have fun—together!

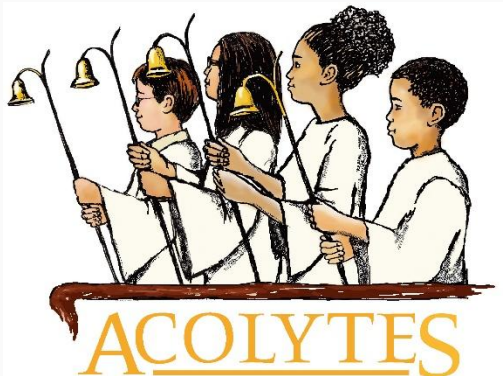
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John Welsey's Benediction

A few folks have requested a copy of the Benediction that Ian Rogers read at the end of our youth-led worship. These words were written by the founder of United Methodism, John Wesley, and are the words we say together at the end of youth group each week. It is a beautiful reminder to be the church in the world!



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Help Us Bring Back Acolytes!

Wouldn't it be wonderful to see acolytes lighting the candles again as we begin worship? Pastor Ann is working to revive this meaningful tradition — and we need your help to make it happen!

We're looking for one or two volunteers to assist on Sunday mornings. This includes helping acolytes get robed and ready to process in with the light, as well as assisting with training and coordinating the acolyte schedule alongside Pastor Ann.

Do you have a student in 2nd grade or older who would like to serve as an acolyte? We'd love to hear from you! To volunteer or express interest, please email Pastor Ann, youth@weavervilleumc.org

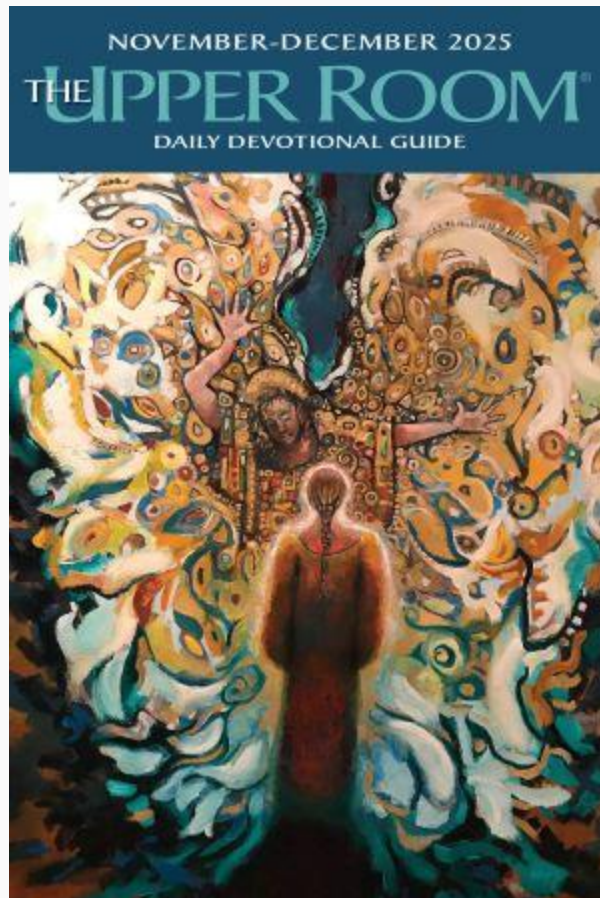
**Pick up a copy of the Youth and Children's events for the rest of the year
in the Narthex or outside Pastor Ann's office.**



Birthdays in November

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

November 1: Ginger McKee
November 2: Annabelle Cooper
November 3: Nancy Ramsey
November 4: Southern Witcher
November 5: Jeremy Stowe
November 7: Mary Beth Horrell
November 8: Linda Cooke, Kelly Hoots, Jo Ann Sanderson, Zack Stowe
November 9: Roger Massell, Elizabeth Stowe, Meredith Stowe
November 10: Harrison Cooper
November 12: Tom Kelly, Elizabeth Porras
November 13: Lena Brooker
November 14: Hinton Hilliard, Richard Rzeszotarski
November 15: Nick DeBonis
November 16: Winikay Caffrey
November 17: Kimberly Morelock, Gordy Ramsey, Wyatt Stone
November 19: Steven McBride
November 20: Shawn Williamson
November 21: Greg Cheek
November 22: Courtney Banks
November 29: Ardell Forehand, Jeff Switzer
November 30: Bryce Porras, Brian Witcher



November-December Upper Room Devotionals are here.
Feel free to pick up a copy in the back of the church.



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!

Currently needed: Winter clothing - girl and boy 3T and 6T tops and pants, girl and boy 5T and 6T coats, Safety 1st or Evenflo convertible car seats, non-expired car seats in good condition.

Use our wish lists on [Amazon](#), [Target](#), and [Walmart](#) 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 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!



ABCCM

Not just help for a day, but for life.

Most Needed: Soup, Beef Stew, Self-rising Flour, Grits.
For monetary donations write a check to the church with the notation ABCCM North for food ABCCM Rent for rent and utilities.

The Weaverville Music Study Club

And Community Sponsors:

Peterson Insurance Group, Inc.
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Motoriffic Sales and Service, LLC
West Family Funeral Services



PRESENTS

Asheville Senior Chorus
“Magical Moments”



Featuring the music of David Bates:

Songwriter, playwright, and pianist who works primarily in musical theatre. He has written music, lyrics, and libretto for seven full-length musicals, as well as numerous instrumental compositions.

Friday, October 24th 7:00 pm

Weaverville First Baptist Church
63 N. Main St.

Offering collected for North Buncombe Music Scholarship



www.weavervillemusicstudyclub.org

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH INVITES YOU TO HEAR...

Sandra Wright Shen

Internationally acclaimed Steinway Artist, Sandra Shen has performed across 16 countries in over 600 concerts. With her passion, musicality and inspiration, she aims to move hearts and uplift spirits through music. If you would like to learn more about Sandra you can visit her website: <https://sandrashen.com/>



featuring....

Classical composers and their testimonies

Sunday, October 26 at 4:00 pm



First Presbyterian Church
30 N Alabama Avenue
Weaverville, NC 28787
828-645-7344



* Free Admission * Everyone is invited *

Reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive Weaverville United Methodist Church

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

**Monday, November 10, 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".

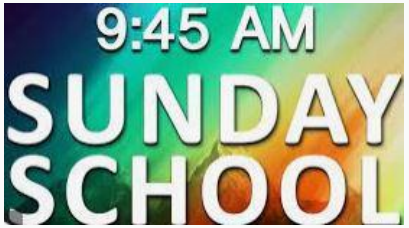
Bring your Red Cross Donor Card or Photo ID.
Walk-ins are welcome, appointments honored first!

Come to give blood Oct. 20-Nov. 16 for a \$50 e-gift card
+ chance at \$5K prize! redcrossblood.org/harvest

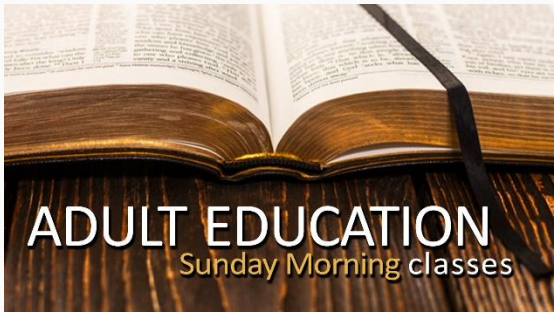


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The Youth and Children's Sunday School Classes meet at 9:45am on the 3rd floor of the Education Building. We have 3 classrooms: PreK-2nd grade, 3rd-6th grade, and 7th-12th grade. Join us for fun, fellowship and learning more about God's word!



Ignite Class

Once you have dropped your child off in their classroom you are invited to join us downstairs in the Wesley Brown Room. This class serves as a space for the parents and caregivers of the children and youth in the church during the Sunday School times.

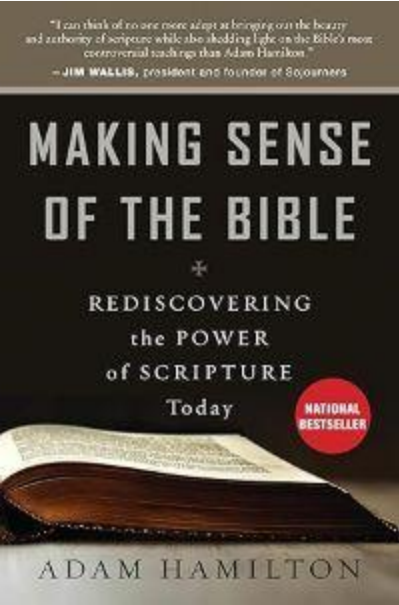
The Ignite Class meets Sunday at 10am. The current study is *The Wired Word.*



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Explorers Class

Explorer Class is staring a new study by Rev. Adam Hamilton; *Making Sense of the Bible.* The meeting takes place in the Love Conference Room at 10 am.



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Women's Bible Study

Women's Tuesday bible study meets Tuesdays from 10:30am to 12 noon in the Love Conference room. Our new study is called Jesus the One and Only by Beth Moore. 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



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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.



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

PRAISES:

Rev. Mark Ralls, Rev. Dawn Hand.

PRAISES AND CONCERNS:

School sicknesses in community, Hurricane Helene Recovery, Dave Arndt, Lynn Boring, Kenny Boring, Carmak Family, Joe Witcher.

FAMILIES OF DECEASED:

Family of Dereck Shook, Thinner Family

CONCERNS:

Prayer for God's Direction, Unrest and Violence in the country, Government and Government Employees, Prayer for our Latino Community, All who are struggling with mental health, HCA and Mission Hospital, Sarah Alagood, Luke Banks, Bonnie Bullman, Carmack Family, Betty Cooper, Gary Cooper, Susan Dankel, Bob DeBruhl, Byers Family, Dedi Dillingham, Tracy Fiaco, Patricia Foresman, Tonya Fotinos, Janice and Mike Garland, Jim Greenhut, Maggie, Sam Hollister, Rev. Dawn Hand, Brad Harvey, Lynn Harvey, Shawn Henderson, Nancy Hinsely, Aria Hope, Gwen Kelsey, Richie Little, Shannon Loflin, Craig and Tina Monaco, Donna and Haley Parker, Jennifer Phillips, Nancy Roop, Emily Sewel, Joan Stafford, Tom Stade, Stan and Joanie Strohm, Stephanie Stroupe, Johnny Tweed, Bill Yost, World Conflicts, US Armed Forces.



Supporting the Church

General Giving By Week:

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

October 5: \$5,302.00
October 12: \$4,485.00
October 19: \$32,603.00

As of September 30, 2025:

Income: \$246,180.57
Expenses \$280,960.01
Net: **-\$34,779.44**

Mortgage Balance \$ 132,427.62

Attendance at worship:

October 5: 91 total
October 12: 62 total
October 19: 89 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



Watch last Sunday's service here if you couldn't be there in person

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

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