



WUMC Newsletter 11/26/2025



Let us give thanks with grateful hearts

The office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day. We wish everyone a very happy, peaceful and enjoyable Holiday.



We need your help to prepare for the Christmas Parade!

We are adding stickers to over 1,000 lollipops that will be handed out at the Weaverville Holiday parade.

Please join us in the Love Conference room on Tuesday, Dec. 2 at 10 am, to help add stickers to the candy.

With your help, we will have an amazing opportunity to invite parade attendees to our church! More hands make light work! Reach out to Pastor Ann (youth@weavervilleumc.org) if you can help.



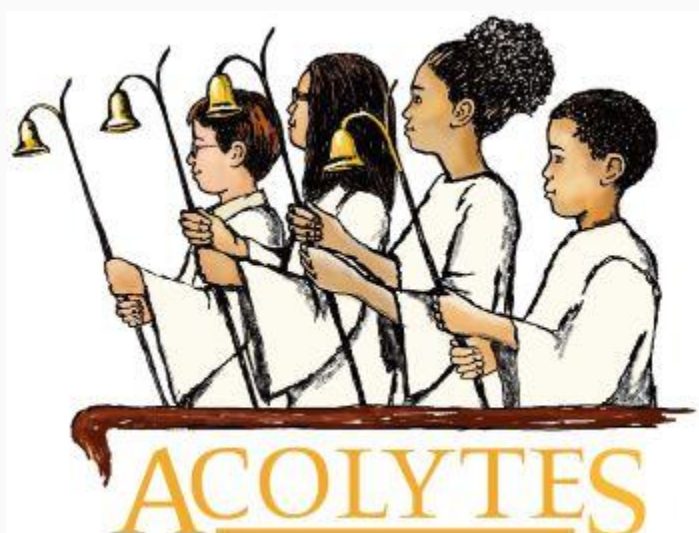
Our Community once again was so generous and we were able to collect a lot of food for our neighbors in need.

We partnered with First Baptist Church and First Presbyterian Church to fill 62 boxes of food to be delivered to two trailer parks. In addition, \$453 was

collected. This amount will be divided between the Senior Meal Site and ABCCM North.



Christmas Cards donations needed by Sunday, November 30. If you know of someone in our church who needs a little extra Christmas cheer please contact Barb McElroy 828 775 9329 or davidorbarb@gmail.com.



Acolyte Training

For those who missed the acolyte training last Sunday. Nov. 23, we will hold a make-up training this **Sunday, Nov. 30, at 10 am**, in the sanctuary. If interested, please email Pastor Ann, youth@weavervilleumc.org.



Nov. 30 - We're going bowling, the Sunday after Thanksgiving! We will meet at the church at 4 pm, and will return at 7 pm. **Youth will be playing for \$5.00 gift cards - one for the highest score and one for the lowest score!** Bring a friend, a pair of socks. **Please RSVP to Pastor Ann** (youth@weavervilleumc.org) **to hold your spot by Wednesday, November 26th.**

Dec. 14 - Youth Christmas Party! Join us at 4:30pm as we play holiday themed games, and celebrate a fun semester in youth ministry! **Bring a wrapped \$10 hat for a fun gift-swap game.**

Dec. 21 - Youth & Children led Advent worship - For all ages under 18, willing to lead all elements of worship. There are speaking and non-speaking parts available. For Children's Moment, we will be leading a 'Semi-spontaneous Christmas Pageant' - if your child or youth would like to participate in the pageant, or lead worship, please reach out to Pastor Ann. We will meet right after worship on Sunday, Dec. 14, to get costumes, and practice parts for Dec. 21 worship. We will gather at 9:45 on Dec. 21, to practice and prepare for 11 am worship.

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](#)



**Operation Christmas Child
Thank You!**

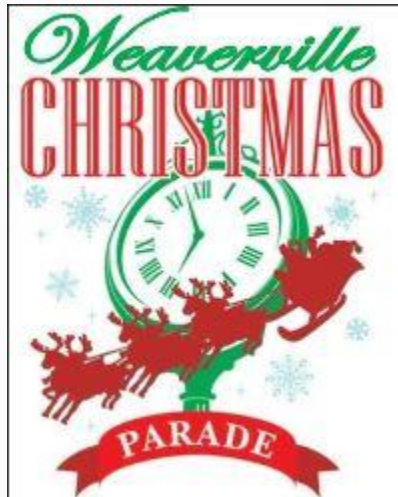


Thank you to everyone that participated in this year's campaign. Based on our most recent count we have approximately 21 shoe boxes that will be traveling across the world to a child in need. Because of your generosity it is our hope and prayer that through our gift of a filled shoe box, a child will know they are loved and connect this positive experience to the love that Christ has for each of child. Our congregation is shining the light of Christ into the darkness.



Advent Devotionals

Our Advent theme this year is based on the God in The Neighborhood Bible Studies. Since we, the church, make up so much of the 'neighborhood' of Weaverville, I thought it would be nice for us to hear from each other this Advent season. Starting on Sunday, Nov. 30 (1st Sunday of Advent) we will email out a new devotional each morning, written by a different person in the church, up until Christmas Day. If you are interested in participating by writing a devotional, please reach out to Pastor Ann, youth@weavervilleumc.org.



Saturday, December 6, 2025

The WUMC bus will be in the Weaverville Holiday Parade!

We are in need of folks to walk with us and hand out candy canes, and wave from the bus.

We will gather in the church parking lot and load up the bus at **9 am**, for the 11 am parade. If you want to join us, please reach out to Pastor Ann, youth@weavervilleumc.org.



Outreach – Find Your Way to Serve!

At Weaverville UMC, we believe that *serving others is one of the most joyful ways to live out our faith!* Our Outreach Committee continues to make a difference in our community — and there's a place for **you** to help.

Helping Our Neighbors Rebuild

We're still walking alongside families recovering from **Hurricane Helene**. Some are rebuilding homes, others are waiting for permanent housing — and your prayers, support, and helping hands continue to bring hope. Beyond Helene, we're also serving local families who face food insecurity, housing challenges, and financial hardship. Together, we can continue to be a light in our community!

ABCCM (Asheville Buncombe Community Christian Ministry)

Did you know? Weaverville UMC helped launch what became ABCCM! **Joy Pansiera** is a regular volunteer on Thursdays.

Current Needs: Men's pants (29" waist / 30" length) for veterans.

Food Donations continuously needed: Canned Tuna, Chicken and Stew, Hearty Soups, Spaghetti Noodles and Sauce, Cold Cereal, Canned Fruit and Vegetables, Rice and Dry Beans, Chef Boyardee, Bags of Fresh Fruit and Vegetables. If giving by check indicate **ABCCM North** in memo line.

Where to Give: Drop food items in the **ABCCM box** in the sanctuary entryway.

The Little Pantry @ Weaverville UMC

Did you know? Our **Preschool Program** sponsors the Little Pantry behind the Fellowship Hall — providing food to anyone in need, no questions asked.

Requested Items: Canned chicken, tuna, salmon, or beans; Canned fruit & applesauce cups, Spaghetti sauce.

Drop donations in the **Little Pantry box** in the back of the sanctuary.

B.E.A.R. Closet (Baby Equipment and Resource Closet)

Did you know? The B.E.A.R. Closet provides baby supplies for struggling families.

Urgent Need: Volunteers!

Some long-time helpers have stepped back — can you give a little time to help local families?

To Volunteer: Text **Catherine Love at 828-777-1211** with your name and contact info.

Currently needed: Winter clothing - girl and boy clothing 2T through 6T tops and pants, girl and boy 5T and 6T coats, Convertible (for NB to 40-60lb) 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.

You Can Make a Difference

Every donation, every hour volunteered, every prayer — it all matters.

Let's continue to share God's love and serve our neighbors together!



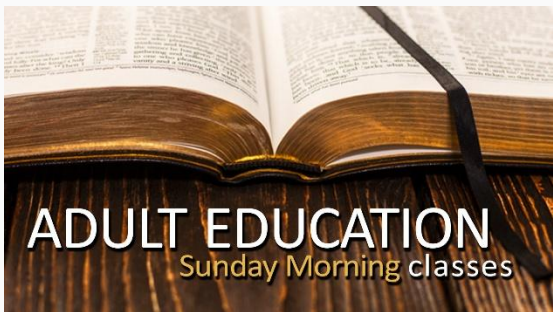
Birthdays in December

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

December 1: Carol Edwards
December 3: Kip Duff
December 4: David Webb
December 6: Sophie Banks, Keith Cooke, Debra DeBruhl, Carol Krueger
December 8: Sawyer Davis, Debby Graham
December 11: Helen Boone
December 12: Penny Weaver
December 13: Karen Jones, Susan Penland
December 14: Theresa Cipriano, Jack Teague, Louis Williamson
December 15: Kate Parsons
December 17: Ian Rogers
December 18: Kim Litz
December 19: Rick Tipton
December 21: Emily Farthing
December 24: Shane Owenby
December 27: John LaMonica
December 28: Jennifer Miller, Pat Webb
December 29: Ann Joyner
December 31: Lynn Harvey



Sunday School will not meet for children, youth, and Ignite classes on Sunday. Nov. 30. We will resume on Sunday, Dec. 7.



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.

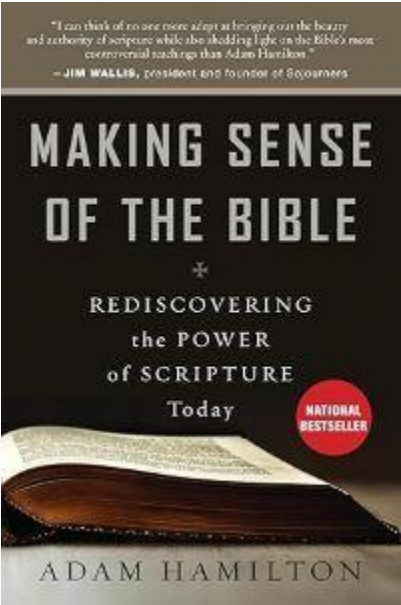
The Ignite Class will not meet this Sunday, we will resume next Sunday, December 7th. The current study is The Wired Word.



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Explorers Class

Explorer Class is studying Making Sense of the Bible by Rev. Adam Hamilton; The meeting takes place in the Love Conference Room at 10 am every Sunday morning.



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Women's Bible Study

The Tuesday Women's Bible study will announce the next study in late December.

We would love for anyone to join us when we restart in early 2026.
Please contact Angela Moser at 828-215-2642 or Loraine Cipriano at 828-707-2724 if you have any questions.

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

PRAISES:

Baby Clair DeSoto, Nancy Hinsley.

FAMILIES OF DECEASED:

Family of Bonnie Bullman, Family of Sierra Carmak, Family of Mary Francis McAbee(mother of Christy Cheek), Family of Carol LaFleur, Family of Dale O’Hara, Family of Faye Williams.

Williams

PRAISES AND CONCERNS:

Travel Mercies, School sicknesses in community, Hurricane Helene Recovery, Elaine Barnett, Lynn Boring, Kenny Boring, Carmak Family, Joe and Pamela Witcher.

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, Sarah Alagood, Angeline Belada, Luke Banks, Gary Cooper, Andrew DeBonis, Bob and Debra DeBruhl, Mike Branson, Byers Family, Dedi Dillingham, Tracy Fiaco, Lauren Fieffer, Patricia Foresman, Tonya Fotinos, Annalee Franklin, Janice and Mike Garland, Jim Greenhut, John Hall. Lynn Harvey, Shawn Henderson, Nancy Hinsely, Beck Humphrey, Gwen Kelsey, Richie Little, Kitty Malone, Jeanne McDermid, Don Mills, Craig and Tina Monaco, Swann Payne, Jennifer Phillips, Michelle Robertson, Nancy Roop, Emily Sewel, Joan Stafford, Tom Stade, Stan and Joanie Strohm, Stephanie Stroupe, Carol Tinkel, Johnny Tweed, Susie Wallace, Claire Williamson, Bill Yost, World Conflicts, US Armed Forces.



Supporting the Church

General Giving By Week:

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

November 2: \$10,817.00

November 9: \$19,216.00

November 16: \$13,484.80

November 23: \$9,654.95

As of October 31, 2025:

Income: \$294,318.57

Expenses \$314,898.89

Net: **-\$20,580.32**

Mortgage Balance \$ \$ 127,427.62

Attendance at worship:

November 2: 77 total

November 9: 104 total

November 16: 115 total

November 23: 97 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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