



WUMC Newsletter 12/18/2025



M&M Lunch today at 11:45am!

Our wonderful pianist, Charlie Harnish, will be playing Christmas music for us. Lunch will be chili, sides, bread and dessert.
Please RSVP to Lorraine Cipriano at 828-707-2724
or raincip@charter.net so that we can plan accordingly. Also, volunteers are needed for bringing food, so let Lorraine know if you can contribute.



During the play, we will bring forward the following items fro the Winter Safe Shelter:



Dec. 21 at 9:30am - Youth & Children led Advent worship - We will practice and prepare for the 11am service. We will be narrating the story of Jesus' birth.

Dec. 21at 4:30pm - HIDE N' SEEK! To celebrate a fun-filled semester of youth ministry, we will eat pizza and play Hide n' Seek as a youth group.

Dec. 28 - NO Youth Group. We will resume on January 4th



We will be collecting money for staff Christmas gifts this Sunday, December 21st.



Please join us on Wednesday, December 24th at 7pm for our Christmas Eve Service.



The Flower Calendar for 2026 is posted in the narthex. Be sure to write your name on a Sunday when you want to dedicate a loved one or occasion and provide the flowers for the altar.



Advent Devotionals

Our Advent theme this year is based on the God in The Neighborhood Bible Studies. Since the First Sunday of Advent a new devotional is being emailed each morning, written by a different person in the church, up until Christmas Day.



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.

[The Little Pantry at 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.

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

[B.E.A.R. Closet \(Baby Equipment and Resource Closet\)](#)



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 5T & 6T, boy 3T to 6T tops and pants, All-In-One 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.



Step into a story of hope by being a Christmas Angel. Volunteering in the Christmas Angel Shop is a hands-on way to bless children whose families are experiencing hardship. Whether you join us for one shift

or multiple days, your service helps create a joyful and meaningful Christmas for our neighbors.

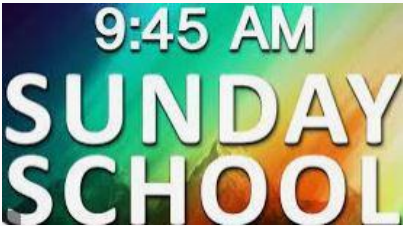
[Volunteer with Christmas Angel](#)



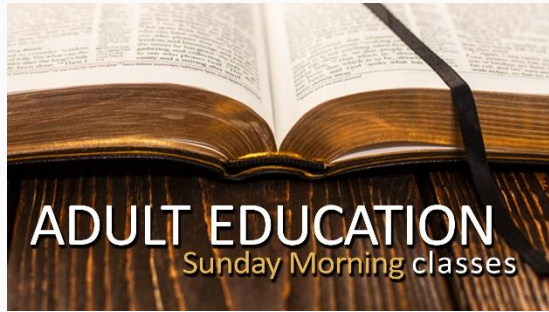
Birthdays in December

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



Children and Youth Sunday School will not meet on Sunday, December 21, (to prepare for the play) or December 28, (holiday weekend). We will gather again on Sunday, January 4, 2026.



Ignite Class

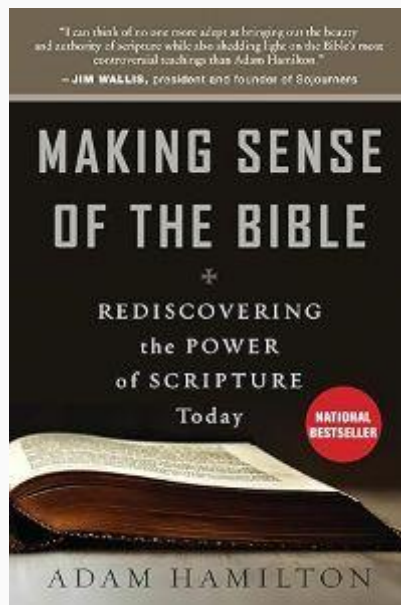
Once you have dropped your child off in their classroom you are invited to join us downstairs in the Wesley Brown Room. This class serves as a space for the parents and caregivers of the children and youth in the church during the Sunday School times. The current study is *The Wired Word.*



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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 AND CONCERNS:

Travel Mercies, School sicknesses in community, Hurricane Helene Recovery, Elaine Barnett, Lynn Boring, Kenny Boring, Carmak Family, Carol Tinkel.

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, Gary Cooper, Roy Cramford, Andrew DeBonis, Bob DeBruhl, Mike Branson, Marcia Buchynsky, Dedi Dillingham, Tracy Fiaco, Lauren Fieffer, Eric Foor, Patricia Foresman, Tonya Fotinos, Annalee Franklin, Janice and Mike Garland, Jim Greenhut, John Hall. Lynn Harvey, Ryan Harvey, Shawn Henderson, Gwen Kelsey, Richie Little, Diana Loveland, Kitty Malone, Jeanne McDermit, Craig and Tina Monaco, Jennifer Phillips, Michelle Robertson, Nancy Roop, Jo Ann Sanderson, Emily Sewel, Joan Stafford, Tom Stade, Stan and Joanie Strohm, Stephanie Stroupe, 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 16: \$13,484.80

November 23: \$9,654.95

November 30: \$7,796.61

December 7: \$7,934.00

As of November 30, 2025

Income: \$355,355.18

Expenses \$355,509.86

Net: **-\$154.68**

Mortgage Balance \$123,822.34

Attendance at worship:

November 23: 97 total

November 30: 94 total

December 7: 93 total

December 14: 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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