



WUMC Newsletter 08/13/2026



Nurture Committee

The Nurture Committee is holding two meetings, both open to everyone. We are looking for input on how to identify and meet the care needs within our growing congregation. Please join us if:

- You have experience / advice / ideas to offer.
- You want your church family to become closer.
 - You can help occasionally, as you are able.
- You wish to help in just one or two specific areas of service.
 - You want to become a committee member.

Thursday, August 13, at 3pm
Monday, August 17, at 1:30pm

Both meetings are held in the Love Conference Room



United
Women
in Faith

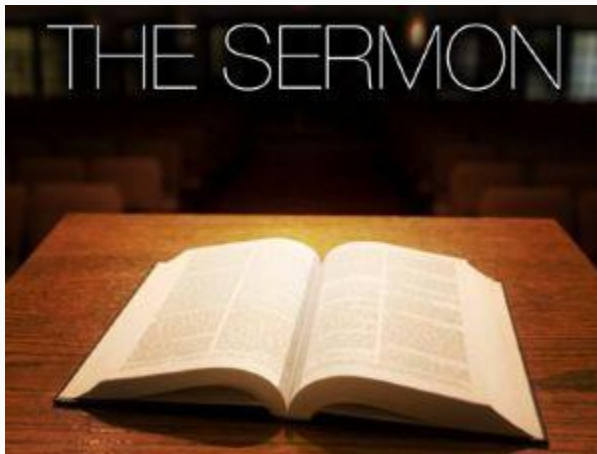
UWiF Library



There is a new library in the corner of the Wesley Brown Room across from Pastor Richard's office with books for anyone to check out and read. The subjects include biographies, fiction, social action - compelling works that you may be interested in. Come take a look!

To check out a book sign the card inside the book and place it into the red box with the date you checked out the book. When you return the book, be sure to write the date on the card, then put the book with the card back on the shelf.

The next meeting for the Matilda Dryman Circle is planned for Thursday, August 20th at 10am in the Love Conference Room.



Here is a preview of this Sunday's sermon:

“Shiboleth: What makes a real Christian?”
Judges 12:4-6

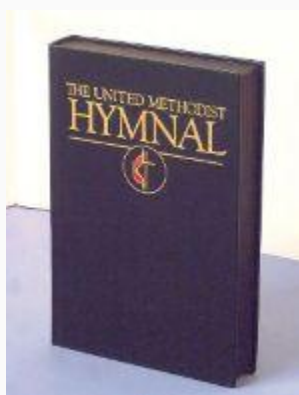
The Greeks were infiltrating the region of the Ephramites and posing as Hebrews. However, because the Greek language only has one “S” sound in their alphabet they could not correctly pronounce the Hebrew password, Shiboleth. That’s how they knew they the Greek’s were spies. How do we know today when someone is a real Christian or not? How do we know today when someone is just a rule follower trying to earn favor? How do we know

when someone is an almost Christian? What password “should” Christians use today? Is it holiness? Is it legalism? Or is it something else? John Wesley in his sermon the, “Almost Christian,” said you will know a real Christian when the love of God is shed across their hearts.



**Wednesday Prayer Group
meets at 12 Noon in the Wesley Brown Room.**

Everyone is invited and encouraged to stop in for a short time of reflection, sharing and encouragement



Hymnal Giveaway

If you currently watch the Sunday service online and would be interested in getting a hymnal, (or if you come to church on Sunday and just want one), please let us know. You can pick one up during WUMC office hours or if you are unable to make it to the church you can communicate with our secretary, Katharina at office@weavervilleumc.org or 828-645-6721, and we will get one to you.



CAMP MEETING DAYS!

Camp Meeting Days continue. Feel free to attend worship wearing t-shirts, shorts, or jeans from now until Labor Day.

A colorful, collage-style poster for a Youth Group Update. The background is a mix of purple, yellow, and green patterns. A large white circle in the center contains the text. The text is in various fonts and colors, including black, white, and red. There are also some small star-like symbols and a small red and white flag on the left side of the circle.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

**YOUTH
GROUP UPDATE**

Due to the chance of thunderstorms for this weekend, it will be too muggy to hike on Sunday. SO, we will eat ice cream and play board games!

Youth Group will meet at 4:30pm

Bring a friend!



[Click Here to join GroupMe](#)



BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

SUN, AUG. 23

**11 am | Blessing & Bibles
(Sanctuary)**

**12 pm | Fellowship & Fidgets
(Front Lawn)**

Join us for a fun-filled morning
with resources for children and
youth, as we gear up for a great
new school year!

Pastor Ann Owens
youth@weavervillumc.org

CHILDREN & YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING



Anyone involved in children & youth ministry at WUMC is invited to attend our planning meeting for this school year.



ABCCM

Not just help for a day, but for life.

ABCCM NORTH FOOD PANTRY

Donations to ABCCM North allow each of us to take part in easing the burden of local families in need.

A change in job or health status can be enough to sink an already struggling family. Thank you for continuing to be generous with your resources!

This week's suggestions:

Canned meats, hearty soups, individual grits and oatmeal packets, cold adult cereals, spaghetti noodles, jelly.

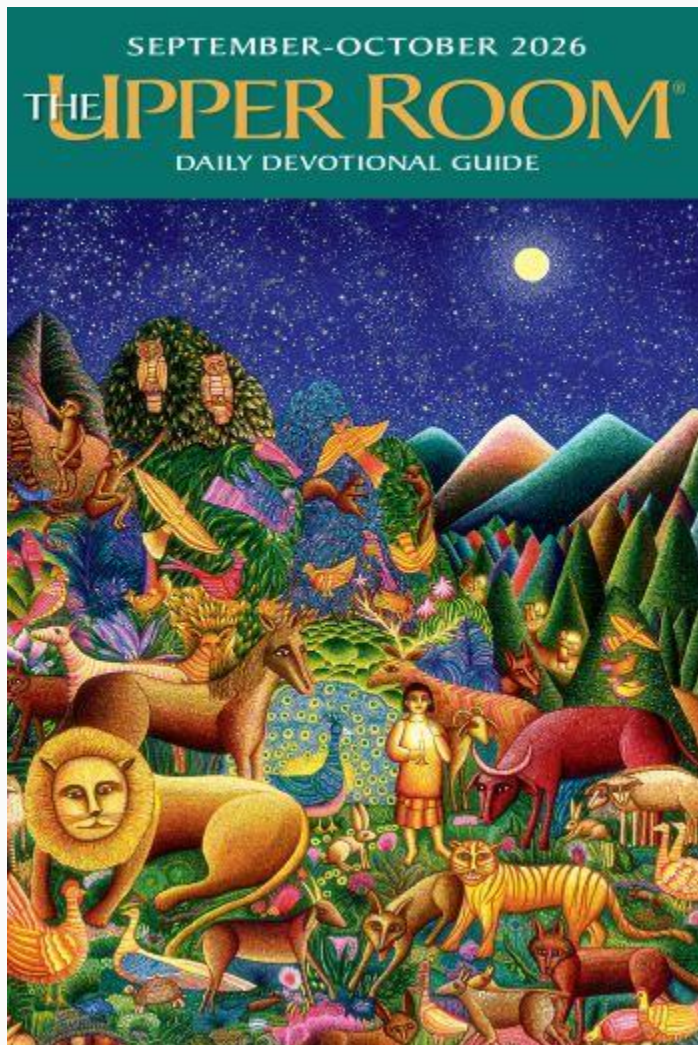
For monetary donations, checks should be written to the church with the notation
ABCCM NORTH.



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

Current donation needs: Newborn Swaddlers, Cribs, High chairs, strollers, gently used, unexpired car seats. 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.

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



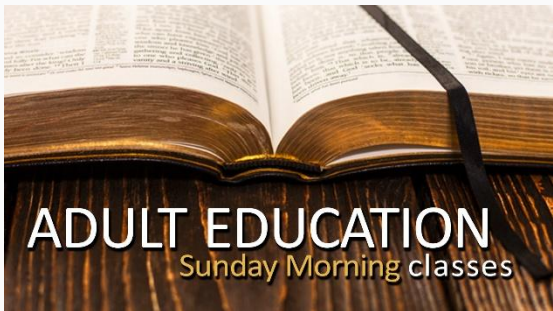
The September-October edition of the Upper Room Devotional is available in the narthex. Be sure to get your copy.



Birthdays in August

May God bless you with His grace on your birthday and every day!

- August 1: Anita Morton, Carole Pennell
 - August 4: Alan McBride
 - August 5: Lillian Banks, Libby Seal
 - August 9: Renee Weaver
 - August 10: Chris Morton
 - August 11: Will Weaver
 - August 13: Dana Sierra Keeran, Sarah Willis
 - August 14: Brian Tinkel
 - August 16: Anna Destino
 - August 18: Beth Palien, Grant Shields, Phyllis Stevens
 - August 22: Billy Stowe
 - August 23: Cindy Mayo, Megan Weaver
 - August 24: Jeremy Walker
 - August 26: Bobbi Tunnel
 - August 27: Don Mallicoat
 - August 29: David Pond
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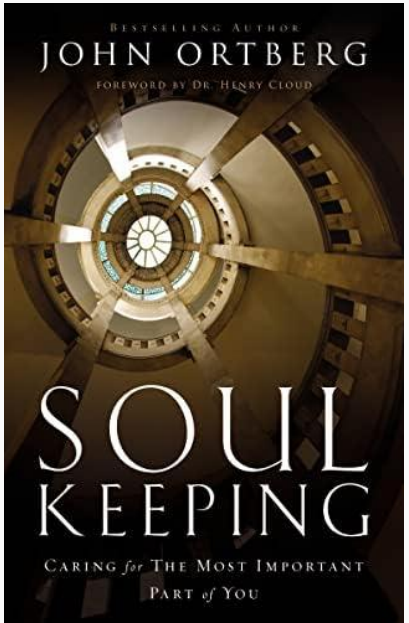
Ignite Class

We will resume meeting in late August.

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Explorer Class

Explorers meets Sundays at 10am in the Love Conference Room and is studying *Soul Keeping: Caring for the Most Important Part of You* by John Ortberg



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Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study is on summer recess but will resume in September. Angela and Lorraine will give information about our fall study in August. Enjoy the summer!

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

PRAISES:

Birth of baby Bryce Warren Stafford, first great-grandchild of John and Janna Dankel, Successful food give-away at NBMS, Matthew Pennel improved health,

FAMILIES OF DECEASED:

Family of Chris Withers

PRAISES AND CONCERNS:

Travel Mercies, Allergies and sicknesses in community, Hurricane Helene Recovery.

CONCERNS:

Prayer for God’s Direction, Wildfires in the West, Thermo-Fisher Employees, Unrest and Violence in the country and world, Prayers for our Latino Community, ICE Raids, Rudy and Heather Abadilla, Elaine Barnett, David Beck, Angeline

Belada, Marcia Buchynsky, Deanna Camizzi, Greg Cheek, Will Denman, Dedi Dillingham, Tracy Fiaco, Lauren Fieffer, Tonya Fotinos, Janice Garland, Mary Groh, Gwen Harris, Jack Harris, Lynn Harvey, Shawn Henderson, Lou Ann Heninger, Henry, Kathy Hipps, Janet Jamison, Callie Jones, Kate Justice, Richard Litz, Jim McManomy, Craig and Tina Monaco, Susan Onofry, Jennifer Phillips, Mary Ann Ryan, Jo Ann Sanderson, Emily Sewell, Craig Smith, Greg Spencer, Cynthia Sorrells, Joan Stafford, Tom Stackhouse, Floyd Stevens, Stan and Joanie Strohm, Nita Taylor, Bill Yost, US Armed Forces.

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Supporting the Church

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

July 5: \$5,877.20
July12: \$1,889.00
July 19: \$12,122.00
July 26: \$4,611.00

As of July 31, 2026
Income: \$217,199.77
Expenses \$257,380.50
Net: -\$40,180.73

Mortgage Balance \$99,530.55

Attendance at worship:

July 26: 79 total
August 2: 92 total
August 9: 102 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



Click on the arrow to watch last Sunday's worship.

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