



WUMC Newsletter 12/19/2024



Make plans for our beautiful and special Candlelight Christmas Eve Service on

Tuesday, December 24th at 7pm

See message below from Finance Committee



Christmas Announcement from the Finance Committee.

Last year, the Finance Committee started what we hoped would become a tradition here at Weaverville United Methodist Church with taking an offering during our Christmas Eve service and donating that offering to two ministries. One ministry will be a community ministry, and the other ministry will be an in-house ministry. Last year, we gifted ABCCM North and the BEAR Closet. I am happy to announce that this year's recipients of the Christmas Eve offering will be Little Mount Zion Church in Weaverville as our community ministry, and General Disaster Recovery as our in-house ministry.

If you are unable to be with us during the Christmas Eve service and

want to donate to these two ministries, please feel free to drop a check into the offering plate, give online, a donation through the Square, or send a check to the church office anytime before Christmas Eve. Please be sure to note in the memo line **“Christmas Eve Offering”**, and this will let us know that you intend for the funds to be designated to these two ministries.

Please feel free to reach out to me, Renee Weaver, or Pastor Richard if you have any questions or want more information about these ministries.

Thank you so very much to each and everyone of you for your continued financial support of our church!

Kim Morelock



Welcoming Our New Neighbors

Please remember to bring your monetary donation or Walmart gift card for our Refugee Program to the church by Sunday, December 22. For any questions you may contact Renee Weaver at grohweaver@aol.com.

Together, let us embody the love of Christ and extend a warm welcome to those seeking refuge among us.



The office will be closed on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, as well as New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Pastor Richard will be on vacation from December 25 until January 4, returning on Sunday, January 5, 2025

We wish everyone a very happy, blessed and Merry Christmas!



Trustee Meeting on Sunday, January 12, following worship
AD Council Meeting on Sunday January 26, following worship
Both meetings will be held in the Love Conference Room.



United
Women
in Faith

Mark you Calendar!

Our unit of United Women in Faith will host a church wide potluck following the service on

January 15, 2024

Come one, come all!



Youth Group will meet this Sunday at 4:30 PM. Bring your bible and a friend. Snacks will be provided.



Sunday School at 9:45 AM in the Education Building this Sunday. **There will be no Sunday School or Nursery on December 29. All children are welcome in the sanctuary.**



B.E.A.R. Closet

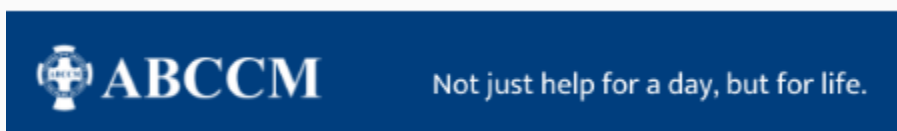
We are returning to our normal business hours:

1st and 3rd Mondays from 5-7pm
2nd, 4th and 5th (when applicable) Mondays from 10am-12pm

Current needs are Girl and Boy WINTER clothes sizes 2T-6T. Non-expired Car Seats, Car Booster Seats and Stand-alone Highchairs.

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 for all levels of activity and availability.



Please consider supporting the rental and mortgage assistance program at ABCCM North.

The losses due to Hurricane Helene have left many in dire circumstances.

To donate, write a check to the church with the notation **ABCCM North: Rent**.

Pantry needs: grits packages, adult cereals, canned fruit.



Birthdays in December

May the love and blessings of the Lord be with you on your special day and always!

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: Kelly McDaris, Kate Parsons
December 18: Kim Litz
December 19: Rick Tipton
December 20: Courtney Woodring, Paige Woodring
December 21: Emily Farthing
December 22: Ketner Ingle, McKenzie Ingle
December 24: Shane Owenby
December 27: John LaMonica
December 28: Dianne Griffin, Jennifer Miller, Pat Webb
December 29: Ann Joyner
December 31: Lynn Harvey



We extend our deepest condolences to the family of

Fred Pennell

who passed into God's kingdom on December 17, 2024.

His funeral service will be held at 2:00 pm, Sunday, December 22, 2024, in Weaverville United Methodist Church, 85 N. Main St., Weaverville, NC 28787, with Reverends Richard Blount, Steve Haines, and Linda Kelly officiating. Burial will follow in the Veteran's Section of West Memorial Park, Weaverville.



We extend our deepest condolences to the family of

Mary Shaw

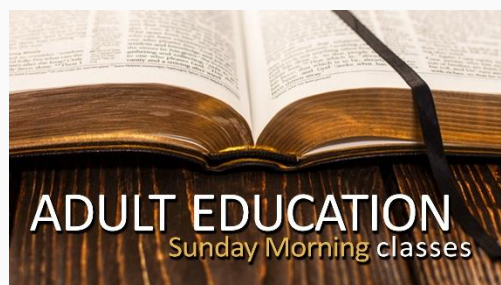
who passed into God's kingdom on October 3, 2024. She was a longtime member at Weaverville United Methodist Church.

Her memorial service will be held at 2:30 pm on Saturday, December 21, 2024, in the Chapel of West Funeral Home, 17 Merrimon Ave., Weaverville with Chaplain Brenda Lewis officiating. The family will greet friends following the memorial service. Burial will be on December 27, at Ivy Hill Cemetery in Alexandria, VA.



LOCATION: Weaverville Community Center

Every Monday, at 7 PM in the smaller meeting room. The entire Weaverville community and beyond is invited to gather in prayer.



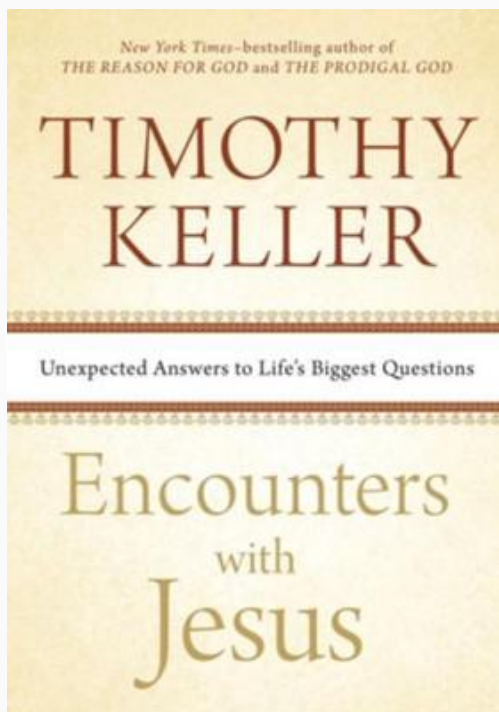
WUMC Prayer Meeting

Each Wednesday morning from 8 AM-9 AM in the Education Building, or join us in spirit.

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Explorers Class

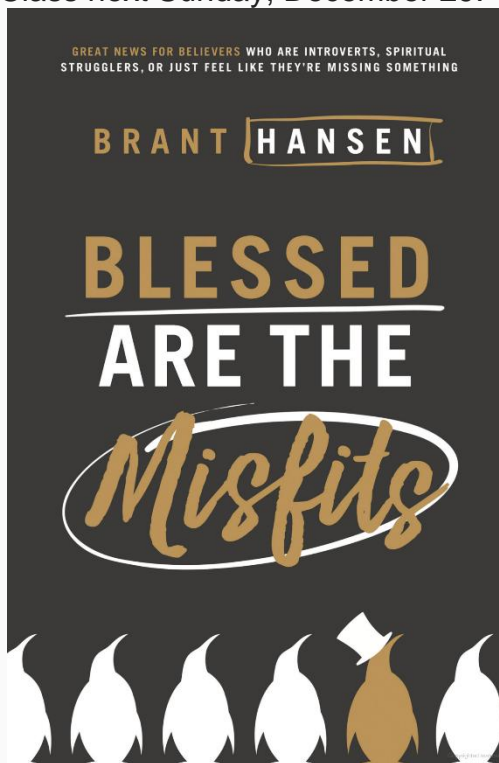
The class meets every Sunday in the Education Building, main floor at 10 am. The current study is "Encounters with Jesus" by Timothy Keller



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Ignite Class

We will meet this Sunday at 9:45 AM upstairs in the Education Building, Room 302, and are studying *Blessed Are the Misfits: Great News for Believers Who Are Introverts, Spiritual Strugglers, or Just Feel Like They're Missing Something* by Brant Hansen. No Class next Sunday, December 29.



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Women's Bible Study

We are looking forward to meeting again. Women's Bible study will resume on **Tuesdays January 14th** from 10:30 to 12 Noon in the classroom on the main floor in the Education Building. We will restart the study *Abide* by Jen Wilkin. The week before we start, begin by reviewing the Forward & watching

Families who lost their jobs, homes or family due to Helene, Hurricane Recovery in Western North Carolina including the areas WUMC is specifically serving in North Buncombe, Madison and West Yancey. Search for Youth and Children's Director, Jessica and Mason Austin, Dan Benhave, Ed Blount, Lena Brooker, Winikay Caffrey, Linda Cook, Debbie Duncan, Tad Edwards, Ben Farthing, Tonya Fotinos, Christina Freelan, Jim Greenhut, Joyce Ingle, Jace, Elizabeth and John Hambring, Lynn Harvey, Henderson Family, John King, Katherine LaMonica, Ken Lovelace, Olivia Lowe, Jeanne Morgan, Fred Pennell, Jennifer Phillips, Pond Family, Tyler Rockwood, Beverly Royall, Ronnie Reese, Emily Sewel, Thomas Stade, Joan Stafford, Stan Strohm, Susan Sudimak, Jack Teague, Unspoken, Sharon Waltman, Germanine Weaver, Terri Wilson, Jeff Wohlfarth, People in Ukraine, Gaza, Syria.



Supporting the Church

General Giving By Week:

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

November 17: **\$5,009.00**

November 24: **\$6,654.00**

December 1: **\$3,011.72**

December 8: **\$7,284.64**

December 15: **\$5,871.64**

As of November 30, 2024

Income: \$366,345.70

Expenses: \$329,564.10

Net: \$36,781.60

Mortgage Balance \$164,291.33

Attendance at worship:

November 17: 124 total

November 24: 113 total

December 1: 97 total

December 8: 124 total

December 15: 121 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

Deadline for newsletter submissions:

12:00pm (Noon) on Tuesdays

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