

WUMC Weekly Update: August 28, 2024

1. Worship

Sunday was our final sermon in the Worship with Rejoicing series. We explored the beautiful prayer of King Solomon as the grand opening of his grand temple, and we learned what it means to be Sent Out to Live. You can watch the entire service on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#). You may choose to read the attached sermon, but I encourage you to worship along with the video.

Join us this Sunday for a special treat as trumpeter **Barry Bauguess** plays during our worship service.

2. Bible Study

Some might ask, "Why does prayer matter?" The answer is, "Because it mattered to Jesus." Come and explore with us tonight (Wed. 8/28) at 5:30 pm.

Beginning September 11, 2024 we are taking Wednesday's meeting out on the road for six weeks! We will be meeting at a location in our community (to be determined) and inviting conversations with neighbors from outside our church walls. More info coming next week!!

3. Town Hall Success

Thank you to everyone who participated in our first CLC Town Hall. We had a great time exploring the exciting ways our church is living out ministry and hearing the invitation for all of us to step into the opportunity to get involved in some of those exciting things.

Be on the lookout soon for a letter from Pastor Karen outlining some of what was said and how we can all come together to leave a lasting legacy for our church.

4. Hospital Closet manager needed!

Did you know we have a hospital closet? We have a wonderful collection of equipment like wheelchairs, walkers, shower chairs, toilet chairs, crutches, canes, etc. that folks no longer need and so they donated it to us. When someone else needs that item, they can simply check it out from us and return it when they no longer need it.

We are looking for someone who would manage this ministry. The job would include: keeping an inventory list, making sure equipment is clean and in excellent working order, scheduling check-outs and check-ins.

If you are interested in managing this ministry please email Pastor Karen at pastor@wilkesboroumc.org

5. Clean-Out-The-Clutter Day - Saturday, September 21st at 9 a.m.

Those at the Town Hall heard of our exciting opportunity to use our facility to help our community thrive by renovating the old Creation Express wing and leasing it to a daycare center. Naturally, that means we are going to be cleaning out some rooms and relocating some of our ongoing ministries.

Our first group clean out will be on Saturday, September 21st at 9 a.m.

If you would just like to take on a particular project and come in during the week to work on it, contact Pastor Karen or the church office.

6. Lay Servant Class

If you are interested in learning more about serving in The United Methodist Church why not become a Lay Servant! (Cost is \$35, scholarships provided) If you are a certified Lay Servant you can register to take an Advanced course at the same link. (Hint Hint: Pastor Jim is teaching the advanced class on Worship)

The schedule for classes: **(To be held at Broad Street UMC in Statesville)**

Day 1: Saturday, September 21, 2024 9 AM - 4 PM (lunch provided)

Day 2: Saturday, September 28, 2024 (Bring bagged lunch) 9 AM - 3 PM

If you are interested you can contact Pastor Karen or [click here to register](#)

7. Mission Volunteer Opportunity – TOMORROW! 😊

The UWFaith will be taking a meal to St. Paul's Episcopal Church tomorrow at 11:30am to support their Crisis Assistance program. They will stay to serve the meal and visit with our neighbors. If you would like to go and support this vital community ministry, please meet in the church parking lot at 11:15am. Or, if you prefer, you can meet WUMC volunteers at St. Paul's at 11:30am at the St. Paul's Parish House directly across the street from St. Paul's church.

St. Paul's Episcopal Crisis Assistance is held every Thursday from 11:30 to 1:00. A light meal is served.
A message from St. Paul's about their Crisis Assistance program

In 2022, we helped 375 of our neighbors with their power bills, fuel oil, gas, rent, and other needs. Meals are served every Thursday to our neighbors. Big thanks goes to the members of our church and to all of our partner churches. Our volunteers are our angels sent to do the work God gave us to do – to be kind, to love, and to feed and be that helping hand. Blessings to all.

8. Reminder: UMM/UWFaith Meeting is next Tuesday; September 3, 2024

Dinner will be served at 6pm. The suggested donation is \$5. Meetings to follow. Don't forget your Homeless Shelter donations. The cupboards are getting pretty bare. They are so thankful for each item donated.

9. Relay for Life Card Party Fundraiser at WUMC

Save the date! The WUMC Relay for Life Fall Card Party will be Tuesday, September 17 from 10:00 am until 2:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Lunch is provided. Menu TBA. To reserve your spot, contact Chris Gambill, Mary Jane Rich, Laura Davenport or any Relay Team Member.

10. Important Dates to Remember:

Join us Sunday for worship at 10am & Sunday school in the Ecclesia Room at 11am.

Tonight: Bible Study at 5:30pm in the fellowship hall.

Tomorrow: Thursday; August 29th. Serve lunch at St. Paul's at 11:30am

Friday Night Foodies at 5pm at Cagney's.

Monday; September 2nd, the church office will be closed in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

Tuesday; Join Pastor Karen for coffee at Anchor Coffee at 10am.

Tuesday; UMM & UWFaith Dinner at 6pm. Suggested donation: \$5. Meetings to follow.

Tuesday; September 17th, Relay for Life Card Party

Saturday; September 21st, Day 1 of the Lay Servant Class at Broad Street UMC in Statesville.

Saturday; September 21st, Clean-Out-The-Clutter Day at church at 9am

Saturday; September 28th, Day 2 of the Lay Servant Class at Broad Street UMC in Statesville.

11. Prayer List - Please let us know if you have a specific prayer request or any changes.

Families of Dylan Holder-Walker (Mary Henderson's grandson) and Zach Walker

Billy Brown, Jim Day, Charles Drum, Kyson Farley, **Francois Hughes**, Frank Jones, Greg Luck, Kent & Brenda Lunsford, Sherry Mabry, Glenda Pierce, **Robert Rizoti**, **Sherry Sachritz**, Mary Summerford, Keith Summerford, Herb Taylor, T.A. Welborn, Dylan Walker, **Cecil Walters**, T.A. Welborn, **Edgar Wilcox**, **Derrick Wilson**, Seth Wilson, **Darlene Winslow**, Gary York, Ukraine, our planet in crisis, the US, Israel, Gaza and Middle East for God to bring Peace to all World Leaders.

NURSING FACILITIES: Betty Beshears (Pruitt Health – Hospice Care), Brenda Dale (Wilkes Health and Rehab), Bobbi Blake (Rose Glen Village), Wanda Garwood (Rose Glen Village), Barbara Groce (Wilkes Health & Rehab), Jenny Miller (Westwood Hills Nursing and Rehab Facility), Caroline Randolph (The Pines in Davidson) and Rosie Shephard (Rose Glen Manor)