

MAY 18, 2025

THE CONNECTION



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Weekly Opportunities

Sunday School

Sundays at 9:00 AM

Men's & Women's Small Groups

Women's Leader: Kathy Collier Men's Leader: Greg Johnson

Wednesdays at 6:00 PM Wednesday at 6:30

Leader: Beverly Clayton

Wednesdays at 2:00 PM in the parlor.

Wednesday Prayer & Devotion

12:00-12:30 PM in the sanctuary every Wednesday.

Free Community Meal

Weekly from 5:30 until 6:30 PM

- May 14th Menu - *Cottage pie, vegetables, cornbread, salad, dessert & drinks*
- May 21st Menu - *Breakfast, dessert and drinks*

Upcoming Events

SATURDAY, MAY 17

Church Clean-Up Day - 9 AM until...

SUNDAY, MAY 18

Red Card Sunday

Potluck Palooza & Board Game Bash - following worship

MONDAY, MAY 19

Leadership Board - 5:30 PM

TUESDAY, MAY 20

Finance Team - 4:30 PM

MONDAY, MAY 26

Church Offices Closed (Memorial Day)

THURSDAY, JUNE 5

Active Adults - 11:30 AM at Boondocks in West Jefferson

SUNDAY, JUNE 8

Graduation Sunday - 10:00 AM

Graduation Sunday

We will celebrate our graduates on June 8 during morning worship. If you know of folks in the church who are graduating from high school, college, graduate school, etc. please contact the church office with their name, school, and degree if applicable.





In Preparation for Sunday

I love this time of year. Of course it's wonderful that our little corner of the world is waking up from a very cold winter, but what I love most is the color. There are so many blooms and the trees seem almost neon as the new leaves emerge. It's amazing to watch the green of spring climb the mountains. This is a beautiful time of year and enhanced by longer days and warmer air. Our God, the creator of all that we see, the one who chose the colors, is an artist. Maybe it would be better to say that God is The Artist.

On Sunday we will continue our focus on the signposts of hope - those places, spaces and events that point to the growing kingdom of God all around us. Signposts that remind us that one day all will be as God intends and that hope begins with Jesus and is most perfectly exemplified in his resurrection. These signposts point from this present reality toward the future God has planned for all of creation. So far in this series we've considered the signposts of justice and love. This week we will consider the signpost of beauty and we will have a special guest preacher.

I'm excited to have Brent Livingood as our guest preacher this Sunday, May 18th. I think he brings a very unique perspective to the idea of beauty as a signpost of hope. Brent has both a Master of Divinity and Master of Theology from Duke University and a Master of Fine Arts in creative nonfiction from the University of NC at Wilmington. He's a writer, photographer and theologian. Who better to share with us his understanding of beauty as a signpost pointing us toward the future God has planned for all of creation.

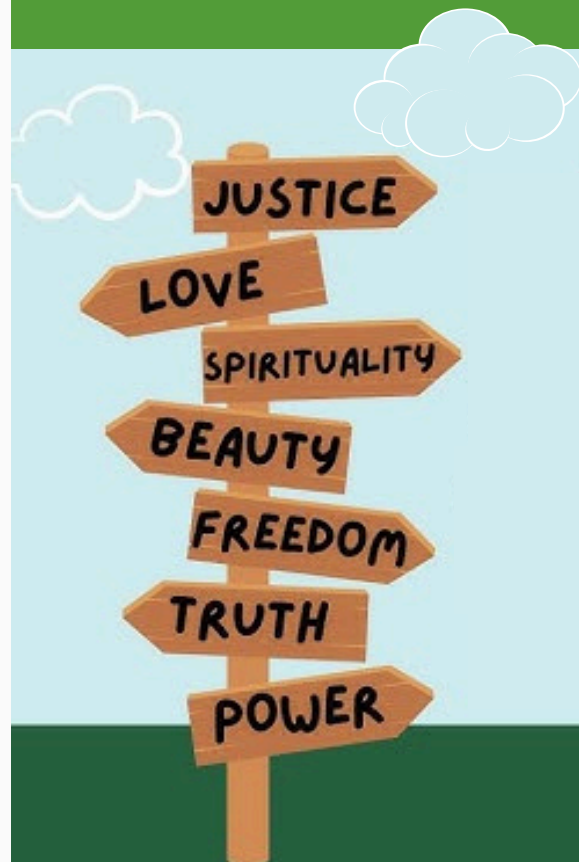
I look forward to worshipping with you.

See you Sunday!
Kristy

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Welcome New Members

On Sunday, May 11, we warmly welcomed new members to our church family.

- David & Debbie Hodges
- JJ & Rachel Johnston

If you are interested in joining the JUMC congregation, please contact Pastor Kristy.



MAY NEWSLETTER FROM APPALACHIAN DISTRICT



New Short Term Study coming in July. “Are You A Heretic?” - Brent Livingood



For more information, click [here!](#)





POTLUCK PALOOZA & BOARD GAME BASH

SUNDAY | 11 AM | MAY 18

Following worship, the Women's Small Group will host a potluck meal and board game event. Everyone is invited. Bring your favorite dish to share and your favorite board game. For more information, contact Kathy Collier - Women's Small Group Leader



"For where two
or three are
gathered in my
name, I am
there among
them"
Matthew 18:20

Church Spring Cleaning

Saturday, May 17, 9 AM

We will clean out & organize the spaces in our building. Ministry leaders are encouraged to use this date as a time to gather your team to clean and organize your space. Things we no longer need or use need to be donated. There are a number of table cloths in the hallway behind the fellowship hall. We will only keep a small number. These will be free to a good home on May 17th. For more information, contact Tommy Jones - Property Care Team Leader or Pastor Kristy



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SAVE THE DATE FOR **UNITED METHODIST DAY**

AT HICKORY CRAWDAD'S STADIUM

This is the 3rd annual UM day at the baseball park in Hickory. Doors open at 6:00 PM.

**FRIDAY,
MAY
23RD**

Click [here](#) to preorder tickets. Groups of 20+ can go straight to the Crawdad's group sales so your tickets are all together.

Meal Train for the Greens



Free lunch!



GREAT raffle prizes!



Everyone gets an Amazon gift card!

Must be at least 16 due to content

For a registration link, please email Harley Nefe at hjnefe045@wilkescc.edu or Becky Greer at rcgreer213@wilkescc.edu saying "I would like to register for the Young Adult Pathways retreat, please."

YOUNG ADULT PATHWAYS TO WELLNESS:

Rooted in Resilience

JUNE 12

12-4PM

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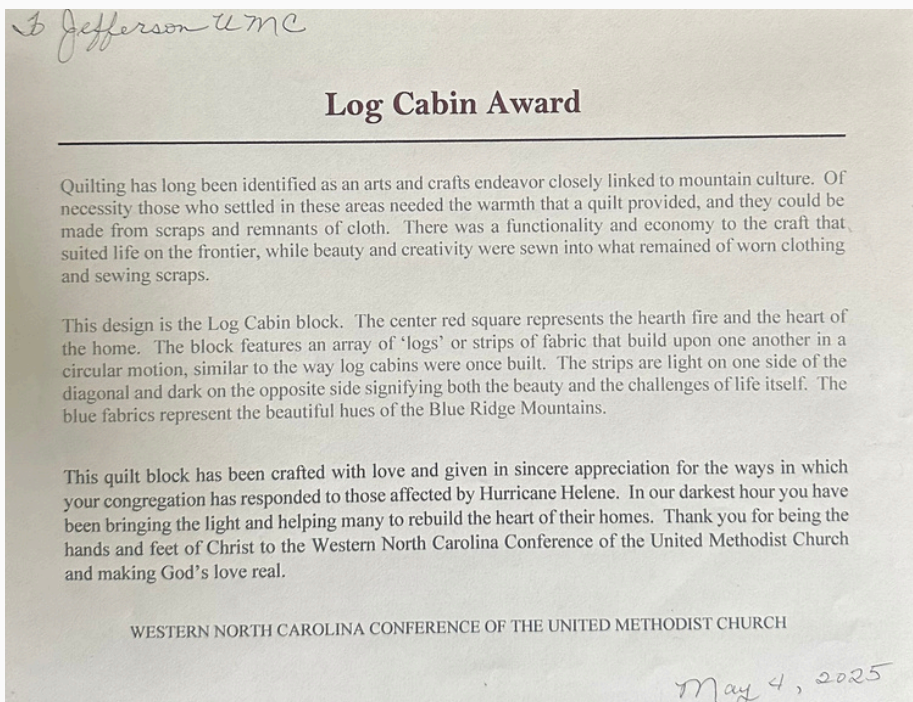


Helene Response Appreciation

On Sunday, May 4th, Rev. Sheila Cumbest, a member of the Western North Carolina Conference Church Relations/Connectional Partnerships Team presented JUMC with a quilt square in recognition of the previous and ongoing work this congregation has done in response to the devastation from Hurricane Helene. Jim Hallsey, chair of the newly formed Disaster Response Ministry Team graciously accepted the gift.



**“In our darkest hour
you have been
bringing the light
and helping many to
rebuild the heart of
their homes.”**



Pathways



to Wellness

Ashe Campus - Wilkes Community College
and Ashe County Schools

present

Pathways to Wellness Retreat 2025

ROOTED IN RESILIENCE

June 12th

Sign-in: 8:30 AM









9:00AM - 4:00PM

KENT POE HALL - MT. JEFFERSON

COMMUNITY ROOM

Lite breakfast, lunch and snacks provided!

This retreat will provide invaluable information for our community on resilience practices, leadership during challenging times, and how technology impacts our lives.

-  Keynote Address: Rooted in Resilience, with Dr. Denise Presnell, MSW, Ph.D.
-  Emotional Recovery After a Natural Disaster
-  Art of Resilience exhibition by local High Country artists
-  Leading through Crisis with Dr. Caleb Marsh, Ph.D.
-  Technology Health & Literacy with AppState's Clinical Psychology Doctoral Trainees
-  Online Safety 101 with Ashe County Sheriff's Office
-  Eating Your Way to Healthy with Elevation Health P.C.
-  Adult Art Session with Florence Thomas Art School

Local resource providers will be present to provide information on their services.

For a registration link, please email Harley Nefe at hjnefe045@wilkescc.edu or Becky Greer at rcgreer213@wilkescc.edu.

This informative training opportunity is provided to our community at no cost thanks to the generous support of Vaya Health and BCBS. Seats are limited. Registration is required in advance.

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Time to Celebrate!



May Birthdays

May 4	Sharon Duvall
May 9	Marsha Goforth
May 10	Bobbie Barden
May 13	Laurie Wichryk Wilson
May 15	Kevin Wonsick
May 22	Gay Freeman & Layla Roop
May 25	Oliva Brown
May 28	Norma Allen & Chloe Henson
May 31	Swift Black

May Anniversaries

May 6	Kevin & Mindy Wonsick
May 14	Ben & Grier Hurley
May 19	Travis & Kendra Perkins
May 23	Greg & Jenny Johnson Brent & Angela Livingood
May 24	Paul & Loyce Horan
May 25	Joe & Beverly Clayton

Card Ministry Leader

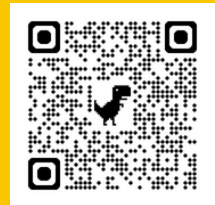
Katie Thore
Joe & Tammy Thore

Prayer Team Leaders

May 4	Carol Seaman
May 11	Beverly Clayton
May 18	Jennie Hallsey
May 25	Jim & Marilyn Wooten

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is jumc)





Gifts, Presence & Service

WEEK OF MAY 5-11

Gifts

Weekly Giving	\$3,461.11	Weekly Budget	\$5,740
April Giving	\$22,531.88	Monthly Budget	\$24,871

Presence

Worship	85	Online Worship	34
Sunday School	31		

Service

Food Pantry Households	14	Individuals	41
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Your gifts matter! Thank you for your generosity.

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Remember in Prayer

MEMBERS:

Liz Poulos, Sarah Johnson, JoAnn Crawley, Alice Graves, Gay Freeman, Carol Seaman, Martha Scott, Mary Gordan Tugman

MILITARY:

Anatoly Ray, Riley Watson, John Wooten, Nicole Seaman, Anna Wooten, Jake Duvernois, Delsin Baker

FRIENDS:

}Jim Gambill, Walter Pugh, Anthony's Aunt Gale, Buddy Mash, Kathy Ward, Kathy Phillips, Sharon Tucker, Annika Lynn, Melanie Pollard, Chris - cancer}, Rebecca Poplin (Aletha Eller's mom), Mike Horan, Daniel Heavlin, Jen Roseman, William Yelton, Dawn Cliborne, Virginia Carpenter, Brian Scott (surgery), Allan Burnette, Students taking exams, Families of special needs children, Bob Blue Family, David (Pat's friend), Randy Murrell, Della (Jonathan's mom)

OUR STAFF:

Kristy Burnette, Ashley Church, Michael Bell, Anthony Benson, Clay Camp, Angie Taylor, Jimmy Taylor, Sophia Kiser, Lynette Driver Jude



Want to know what's going on at JUMC? Click [here](#) to view our online [calendar](#). Email umcjefferson@gmail.com to have an event added.

