

Cashiers *United* *Methodist* Church

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, September 5

8:30 Worship Service

9:30 Sunday School
11:00 Children's Church

11:00 Worship Service

Monday, September 6

Church Office Closed—Labor Day

Tuesday, September 7

9:00 Mother's Morning Out
10:00 Staff Meeting
10:00 Prayer Shawl Circle
12:00 Service of Prayer and Healing

Wednesday, September 8

8:00 Rotary
12:30 Quilters
5:30 Worship on Wednesdays
6:30 Fellowship Meal
7:15 Study: Great World Religions: Islam
7:30 Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 9

9:00 Mother's Morning Out
10:00 Day Laborers Lunch Ministry
2:00 Nominations and Leadership Development Committee
4:00 Strategic Planning Committee

Friday, September 10

9:30 Friday Folders
3:30 Youth Group at Cashiers Community Center

*Today's worship flowers are given by
Robert and Martha Sue Logan
to the Glory of God and in celebration of
their 60th wedding anniversary
which is September 15.*

The Church Office will be closed on
Monday, September 6
in observance of Labor Day.

Today's Service Participants

	<u>8:30 Service</u>	<u>11:00 Service</u>
<i>Lay Reader</i>	Larry Morris	Tanya Branham
<i>Ushers</i>	Charlie Ward Donna Lehn Nancy Zorn	Will & Margaret McRae Rob & Annette Herstek
<i>Greeters</i>	Gene & Sue Fetner	Ed & Joyce Chisolm Susie Cunningham
<i>Audio/Visual</i>	Jim Hormann	Jimmy Hayles
<i>Acolyte</i>	N/A	
<i>Children's Church</i>	N/A	Ericka Woods
<i>Coffee in Commons</i>	N/A	Marianne Harrison

Children, Youth and Families

Children's Church Luncheon and Training is set for Sunday, September 12 from 12 noon—1:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Exciting changes to Children's Church format are being discussed. All current and prospective Children's Church volunteers are encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to Matt Smith at 743-5298 or matthewsmith76@gmail.com if you will be attending, if you will need childcare during the training, or have questions. Lunch will also be provided for the children needing to stay while their parents are in the training.

The Wonderful Wednesdays children's program for children 3yrs old—5th grade is scheduled to begin on September 22 from 3:30—5:20PM. As in the past, the children will be picked up from Summit and Blue Ridge schools and will enjoy a time of recreation, Bible story, music, and crafts.

We are in need of helpers, so prayerfully consider how you can help:

- Transportation from the schools
- Snacks (donation and/or set up and clean up)
- Story-time
- Music
- Crafts
- Recreation
- Shepherding the children from station to station

If you would like to help, please contact Matt Smith at 743-5298 or matthewsmith76@gmail.com.

Attention Youth: We plan to resume our Friday afterschool program for youth in 6th grade and up on September 10. In addition to our weekly gatherings for fellowship and spiritual formation, we will find many ways to serve and take fun outings monthly. Youth from our church, other churches, and no church are all welcome to attend. We pick up from Blue Ridge and Summit in the church van and meet at Cashiers Community Center until 6PM.

If anyone is interested in being part of the leadership team, providing snacks, or helping in some other way, please contact Matt @ 743-5298 or matthewsmith76@gmail.com.

Veggie Tales Live! On Saturday, October 16th, Veggie Tales, a Christian children's program, will be performing at Marathon Church in Greenville, SC. We will take the church bus, van, and cars to the performance. Tickets are \$15 each. Call the church office at 743-5298.

Announcements

Worship on Wednesdays sermon series, "Our Hands Are the Hands of Christ," continues through September:

- September 8: "Serving Hands", John 13:5, Malinda Holley, preaching
- September 15: "Pierced Hands", Isaiah 53:5, Randy Harry, preaching, Holy Communion will be observed
- September 22: "Sending Hands", John 21:17, Sue Jones, preaching
- September 29: "Joining Hands", John 20:26, Jeff Jeffers, preaching

On September 25th CUMC is having a planning retreat. In order for us as a Church to be prepared and to serve God, we are asking that during your daily prayer time, you lift up a prayer for God's guidance during this important time. May you ask God for discernment on how we as His people, can carry out His will for our Church. We believe that God will lead us in His path but in order for Him to do this we must, individually as well as a Church, ask for guidance as we prepare for this retreat. Please pray as you are led, but especially this week you are asked to pray for the evangelism work of our Church.

If you missed the August Book Club gathering, do not worry. It was cancelled and the book was rescheduled for the September gathering which is Thursday, September 16 at 6:30PM in The Commons. Just as a reminder, the book selection is *The Tortilla Curtain* by T.C. Boyle.

In *The Tortilla Curtain*, the realization that life is perpetually unfair and disappointing is the common thread that connects an illegal immigrant couple and an upscale, yuppie couple. Both couples have their own version of the American Dream, and both find their dreams to be merely illusions.

Church-wide planning retreat will be Saturday, September 25 from 8:30AM—3:00PM at High Hampton. Everyone is welcome. The chairpersons of all ministries are urged to attend. Lunch will be provided as well as childcare. Please call the church office at 743-5298 or email at cumcmain@gmail.com to let us know if you will be attending and/or will need childcare.

A Cluster Charge Conference will be held Sunday, October 17th at 3PM at Cullowhee UMC. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend, especially members of the Administrative Council (who are the voting members of Charge Conference).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP MEAL: September 8th @ 6:30 PM

Reservation needed by Monday @ 5:00 PM
in order for food to be purchased.

Please call the church office for reservations,
note on the pew pad, or drop this in the offering plate.

**Menu: Sesame Pork with Garlic Cream Sauce
Green Beans, Carrot Sticks
Pumpkin and Sweet Potato Pies**

of Adults: _____ # of Children: _____

Name _____