



# THE BEACON

WATAUGA FIRST  
United Methodist Church

Rev. Sheila Fiorella, Pastor

July 2019

## Bible Study



A new Bible Study is starting on Wednesday night. Come join us as we study the 23 Psalm, the Lord, Our Shepherd. Psalm 23 pictures life as deeply secure and richly blessed. It offers us a panorama of what life can be like when lived with awareness

of God's intimate love for us. It is possible, however, that our frequent exposure may actually result in our becoming too familiar with this jewel. The purpose of this study is to help us look again at this Psalm and to see that is not just for funerals. Come and join us Wednesdays at 6:45pm.

Alice Garrett



14 July - 19 July

The youth are helping out in Azle, Texas, this year.

Prayer partners for youth and adults are needed.

Contact Barb Buckley at craftgirlbarb@aol.com or 682-429-4767.



## Ice Cream Social

Sunday, 28 July 2019, 6:00 PM

Ice cream weather is here! Mark your calendar and plan to enter your ice cream creation at the annual ice cream contest. Also, help choose the best and the most unique flavors by tasting each entry. Invite your friends and family to come and enjoy the tasting, voting, and fellowship that is free just by participating.

Remember, the more entries we get, the more fun we have. If you don't have an ice cream maker, maybe you can borrow one. I am looking forward to this year's contest!

Yoma Johnson

Do you know how to sing?

Our choir director would love to have you join the choir and/or the bells. Contact Darin Hoppe at darinhoppe@gmail.com.



Holy Communion Sunday, 7 July 2019

***Worship God, Learn the Scripture, Live it in the world.***



Date	Ushers	Liturgists	Acolytes	Counters
7 Jul	Rosemary Norris and Wendy Garcia	Nikki McLeroy	Barb Buckley	Duane Buckley and Henry Harrison
14 Jul	Yoma and Don Johnson	Carol McKone	Barb Buckley	Carol McKone and Jim Bates
21 Jul	David Adair and Susan Tucker	Melanie Bell	Barb Buckley	Lori Duncan and Duane Buckley
28 Jul	Debbie and Henry Harrison	Betty King	Barb Buckley	Doris Maxwell and Paul Killion

### Wednesday Night Bible Study

3 Jul	Potluck
10 Jul	Potluck
17 Jul	Potluck
24 Jul	Potluck
31 Jul	Potluck

### Potluck Dinner

At 6:00 PM

Bible Study

At 6:45 PM

New Worship

At 7:30 PM



The Church Office  
will be closed  
Monday & Tuesday,  
1 & 2 July 2019;  
Thursday, 4 July; and  
Thursday, 11 July.

### Mission Statement

Making disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the  
world.

### Vision Statement

Worship God,  
Learn the Scripture,  
Live it in the World

### STAFF:

**Rev. Sheila Fiorella**  
*Senior Pastor*

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# *A Message from Our Pastor*

## What Do You Want to Be Known For?

What kind of reputation do you have? What do you want to be known for? How do you want to be remembered? What is a good reputation worth to you? And what about our church? What kind of reputation do we have? What do we want to be known for?

We are attracted to people and places with a good reputation, aren't we? Just think about it: When a person has the reputation of being loving and kind, you want to be their friend, don't you? And when a restaurant is known for its outstanding service and succulent food, you want to go there and try it out for yourself. When a car dealer is known for giving a good deal on your trade-in and is fair in their sale prices, you want to buy from them.

So, what kind of reputation, what do we as Christians, want to be known for? As your pastor, I hope our reputation in the community grows for the things we stand for as a church, like giving the hungry something to eat, welcoming and inviting a lonely stranger into our fold, giving away clothes to wear, visiting the sick and tending to their needs, visiting and comforting those in prison. I hope we will have the reputation of reaching a great number of new people for the sake of Jesus Christ.

Let's pray together that God will make our church well known, our name respected. That God will cause our reputation to grow, so that we might be a blessing. So that First United Methodist Church of Watauga will be known as a source of great good and an example to others.

Pray that when we forget, God will remind us of our calling to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, visit the sick and the imprisoned. Pray that God will find us faithful to his Great Commission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. May these be the things we are known for as a community of faith. Amen.

Rev. Sheila



Recently, a senior citizen came into the shop accompanied by the young woman who provides transportation for her cancer treatments. The young woman, on her day off, was taking the lady to several thrift stores to shop for clothes! They said, "Several people suggested we come to this shop. The Methodist Church on Hwy 377 South of 820 also suggested we come see you since they didn't have anything my size." The word is spreading! The woman was s-o-o-o-o appreciative that we were able to help her, and the young woman even found some items for herself! The world is full of good people! Small kindnesses mean so much to the recipients.

Ruth



## Fourth of July Word Scramble

Just a note to thank everyone for your support with pledge contributions this year as they are on track thus far, so thank you. As summertime and vacationing is approaching, remember if you're out of town, you can use online giving for your pledge contributions. It is fast, easy, and secure.

Our budget for 2019 is on track and a little under budget. Of course we will see some increase in our utility bills as summer approaches and our expenses will increase slightly, but all is planned in the budget for these months. We have paid just over 50% of our connectional mission giving (aka apportionments) this year which we haven't paid in the last couple years. So, our finances are on track through June, so thanks for all you do for FUMC Watauga.

Our church has signed a rental agreement with Cross Point Manifest church for use of our Chapel on Sunday mornings at 11:00 am and a classroom on Wednesday nights for Bible studies. Wednesday night, June 12<sup>th</sup> we shared a meal with them, and we are all enthused about working together. Please welcome them into our family.

The Lord is growing and working in our church. Let us take the light outside the walls and let it shine. God bless and guide you and your family throughout year!

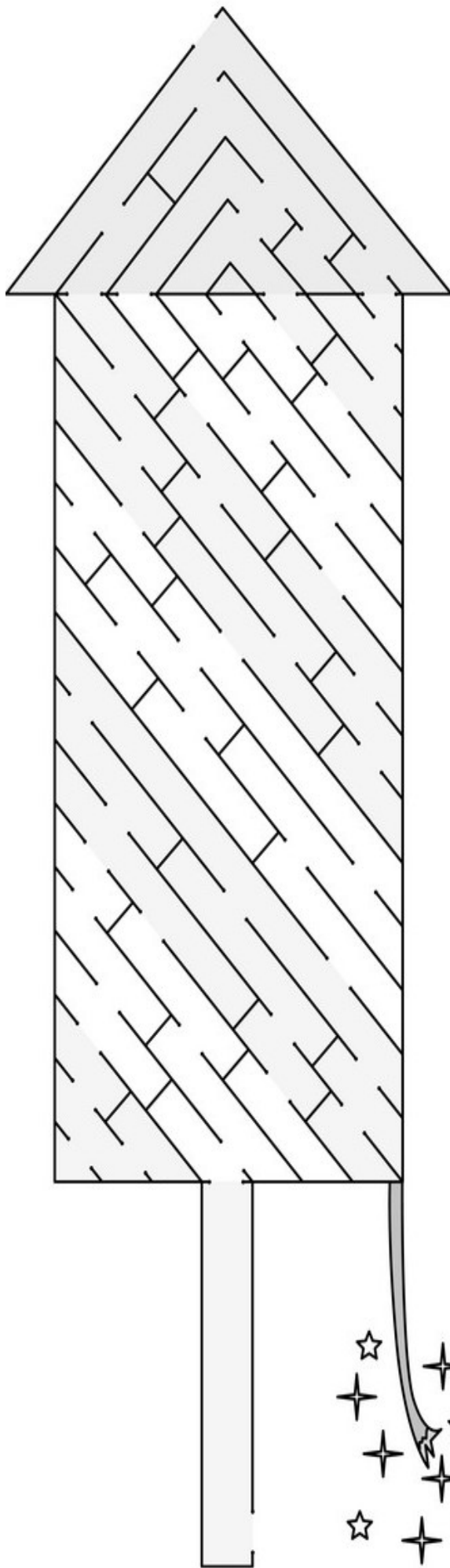
Thank you All for what you do at FUMC of Watauga!

Your Finance chairman,  
**Duane R Buckley**  
[buckleydr@aol.com](mailto:buckleydr@aol.com)

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ANSWERS: states, independence, parade, blue, united, white, equality, fireworks, declaration, freedom, red, liberty, flag, stars, fourth, picnic, holiday, anthem, parade, barbecue, patriotism, spar- klers, remembrance





Betty Richardson	07/01
Sheila Fiorella	07/03
Christine Tipton	07/04
Allison Duncan	07/07
Ricky Robinson	07/09
Kinchen Pier	07/11
Jennifer Bass	07/12
Launa Patton	07/12
Dorothy Drew	07/13
Joe Mila	07/14
Morgan Mason	07/15
Wendy Garcia	07/17
Elizabeth Scott	07/17
Mason Linendoll	07/19
Christie Rose	07/20
Tom Plant	07/21
Terry Gentry	07/23
Peggy Gearen	07/24
Jack Bell	07/27
Michael Curnutt	07/27
Russell Fiorella	07/27
Don Winkelmann	07/27
Kyle Thatcher	07/29
Duane Buckley	07/30
Aaron Swiney	07/30
Connie Killion	07/31

If your birth date is incorrect  
or is not listed, please email  
the church office at  
fumcwatauga@att.net

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## NEED

NorthEast Emergency Distribution  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month  
Donate canned good and non-perishable  
items (such as baby diapers) for need  
families in Tarrant County.  
There is a shopping cart in the lobby for  
these items.

## Sandwich Making for the Presbyterian Night Shelter



1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each  
month at 6:00 PM  
in the church's  
kitchen.

## Craft Fellowship

Each Tuesday, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM,  
in the room next to the nursery  
Come learn to quilt or bring your craft  
and fellowship with us.

## Ladies Luncheon

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each  
month, at 11:00 AM, at  
Texas Star Grill:  
6101 Rufe Snow Drive  
Nikki Clugsten 817-379-  
9934.



## New Day Gatherings

Each Wednesday Night  
6:00 PM Community Potluck  
6:45 PM Bible Connection Groups  
7:30 PM New Day Worship with  
Rev. Sheila Fiorella  
"A Safe Space Where Everyone  
Knows Your Name."





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## RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

### **THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF WATAUGA WELCOMES ALL TO COME AND JOIN US**

#### **SUNDAY WORSHIP CELEBRATION SERVICE**

8:30 A.M. AND 10:30 A.M.

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

9:15 A.M.

#### **NEW DAY GATHERINGS**

6:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.

COMMUNITY POTLUCK 6:00 TO 6:45,  
BIBLE CONNECTION GROUPS, 6:45 TO 7:30,  
NEW DAY WORSHIP 7:30 TO 8:00



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