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CONNECT

Parent's Bible Study on Psalms

Join Pastor Daeho for this no homework Bible study on 'The Psalms We Actually Pray.' Each week focuses on one Psalm and reflection on how prayer sounds in the midst of everyday life. Sundays, January 4 - February 23, 4:00-4:45 p.m., Crossroads (no mtg Jan. 18, 25).

Preschool Registration

AUMC Preschool registration is open! Please visit apexumc.org/preschool for more information and the link for online registration form. Registration closes at 12:30 p.m. on January 7.

Baptism of the Lord Sunday

Considering baptism for yourself or for your child? Sunday, January 11, is Baptism of the Lord Sunday and we would love to hold baptisms in all our worship services. If you want to be part of this special Sunday, please fill out our baptism form online and a pastor will be in contact.

A Wesleyan Heritage Journey: England Info Session

Join us on Sunday, January 11 at 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for an information session to learn more about the Wesleyan Heritage Journey to England, (Sept. 28-Oct. 6). This trip will feature visits to London, Epworth, Oxford and Bristol and will include opportunities to learn more about John Wesley (Laura Katherine) and Charles Wesley (Todd Arant) Questions? Please contact Pastor Laura Katherine.

Women's Bible Study: Ephesians

Tuesdays, January 13 - March 31, 10-11:30 a.m, Children's Choir Room (103). Join Phyllis Stern in the discovery of Paul's passion and energy in this letter to the young churches even though he wrote it in prison. We will explore it's relevance for our lives today.

Encore: Chili/Soup Cook-Off

January 15, 2026 at 12 p.m. contestants are invited to bring in a large pot of their best Chili or Soup to share. Participants will sample and vote on their favorite. Prizes will be given to first & second place winners. Please register online.

GIFT Groups

Beginning in February, join a GIFT Group for 8-weeks of small group discussion on the Scripture from the previous Sunday's sermon. These small groups are welcoming communities that are designed to be the best part of a person's week!

New Member Class

Are you interested in learning more about Apex UMC? Are you ready to become a member? The New Member Class will orient you to the history, the values, and the ministries that make AUMC such a special place. Join us on February 1, 2026 from 4-5:30pm. Childcare is available through the registration link, at least 5 days in advance.

Get REAL for 4th & 5th Graders - Spring Session

Get REAL is a fellowship group for preteens to learn faith practices such as scripture study, prayer & service, while having fun making friends. Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m., Feb. 5 - March 25. Registration is required. Optional dinner at 6:00 p.m. in conjunction with Wonderful Wednesdays, open to the whole family. For more information, contact Ellen Griffin.

Youth Talent Show 2026

Make plans to join us on Friday, February 6, starting at 6:00 p.m. in the CLC Gym for another incredible dinner and talent show hosted by our Apex UMC youth! This annual fundraiser supports youth missions and music opportunities. Questions? Contact Casey Purdy at casey@purdy.info

Winter Family Play Date

Saturday, February 7 from 10 a.m.-12 noon, Christian Life Center gym. Bring some toys to share for this open-to-all fellowship time in the church gym. It will be a warm location and a relaxed environment to get to know other families with children. No registration required. Email Cathy Kennedy with any questions: ckennedy2610@gmail.com.

Connect with us!



church center



COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- Jan 12 - Trustees
- Jan 13 - SPRC
- Jan 20 - Finance
- Jan 26 - Church Council

PHOTOS

Check out the photos below to see if you were spotted at AUMC recently!



SERVE

NeighborUp Food Pantry

The NeighborUp food pantry needs non-perishable food, hygiene and cleaning supplies. *Items most needed are:* peanut butter, jelly/jam, pasta sauce, canned peaches, canned pineapple, all varieties of beans, snacks (cookies, poptarts, crackers etc.), deodorant, toilet paper, and laundry pods/detergent. All donations are appreciated. Place donations in the NeighborUp (WWCM) labeled carts located outside in the Crossroads traffic circle. Thank you for helping our neighbors facing food insecurity. For more information on NeighborUp visit www.neighborup.org.

AOSP 2026

Apex Outreach Service Project will be July 19-25, 2026. Please help us make these homes warmer, safer, and drier. Sign ups are open, leaders needed! For more information & registration visit: <https://aosp2024.mailchimpsites.com/> Questions? Contact Tanner Johnson

Disaster Response Team

Apex UMC DRT continues to help our neighbors in need in Spruce Pine, NC. Our next Trip is January 18 - 23, 2026, Please register in advance on Church Center. You can also support DRT relief efforts by donating funds online, just choose 'Apex UMC DRT' from the menu. Thank you for Serving All.

Y.E.S. Leaders Needed

Youth Engaged in Service (Y.E.S.) is a mission project January 23 - 25, 2026. Leaders still needed! Contact Tanner Johnson.

Prom Shoppe

Save the Date! Prom Shoppe will be held February 27 & 28, 2026. For more info: facebook.com/AUMCPromShoppe

Feed The Kids

FTK provides weekend meal bags for over 200 students in 11 local schools each week. They are currently in need of individually packaged breakfasts, snacks, ramen, and canned meat. You can leave donations in the bin marked Feed the Kids in the traffic circle. If you would like to volunteer with Feed the Kids or for more information, please visit the website: feedthekidsnc.org! Thanks for your continued support!

Simple Gifts Community Garden

No regular hours through the end of February. Compost pickups and turning will continue. We will have called workdays to harvest overwintering crops. Subscribe on our website to receive notifications. simplegiftsgarden.org. Contact Anne Harrison with questions or to volunteer - anneh21@gmail.com

Altar Flowers 2026

Sign up to donate altar flowers in the sanctuary in 2026 at apexumc.org/worship or use the QR code to see dates and details. Questions? Contact Jennifer Higdon at jennifer.harper89@gmail.com.



VBS 2026

Save the Date! VBS will be held July 6-9, 2026, 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Volunteer registration will open January 29!

GIVE

Giving to Apex UMC

Log in to Church Center to set up a one-time donation, a recurring gift or review your giving records. www.apexumc.org/give Questions? Contact our finance office at finance@apexumc.org.

UMCOR Donations

The United Methodist Committee On Relief International Disaster Response and Recovery provides emergency supplies after natural disasters. Please consider donating to UMCOR. Mark your donation UMCOR-International.