

**Alexander Chapel United Methodist Church**  
**Celebration of Worship**

**Welcome and Announcements**                      Gina Elrod  
**Invocation**    Phillip Gibson

**Call to Worship**    Phillip Gibson

Leader: Come, all who carry joy and sorrow, hope and worry.

**People: We come seeking a life rooted in God.**

Leader: Blessed are those who fear the Lord—not in fear, but in reverence.

**People: We turn our hearts toward God, our true center.**

Leader: When bad news comes and the world feels unsteady,

**People: God offers hearts that are firm and secure.**

Leader: Blessed are those who live with generosity and compassion.

**People: We desire lives shaped by grace, not fear.**

Leader: Last week we heard Jesus bless the poor in spirit and the meek.

**People: Today we listen for how grace forms us over time.**

Leader: Light rises in the darkness for those who trust the Lord.

**People: We come to receive that light and to walk in it.**

Leader: Come, not to be impressed, but to be formed.

**People: We gather to worship the faithful God who holds us fast.**

Leader: Let us worship the One who steadies our hearts and teaches us how to live a life that does not shake.

**People: With gratitude and trust, we worship God.**

**Hymn**    UMH 375

There Is A Balm in Gilead

**Scripture Reading**    Phillip Gibson

Psalms 112:1-10

**Special Music**    Steve Hawkins

**Message**    Phillip Gibson

**Apostles Creed, UMH 881**    Sheri King

**Glory Be to the Father**    UMH 71

**Hymn**    TFWS 2208

Guide My Feet

**Prayers of the People**    Phillip Gibson

**Offertory Music**

**Offertory Prayer**    UMH 94  
**Doxology**

**Hymn**    TFWS 2140

Since Jesus Came into My Heart

**Benediction**    Phillip Gibson



### Announcements

#### **February 18, 2026 - Ash Wednesday,**

- 12 p.m. at Pleasant Gap UMC, 1753 Holcombe Branch Road, Weaverville, NC 28787
- 6:30 p.m. at Salem UMC, 9 Salem Church Road, Weaverville, NC 28787

#### **March 13-15, 2026 – Peace Conference at Lake Junaluska**

<https://www.wnccumc.org/peace-conference-2026>

#### **April 2, 2026, Maundy Thursday**

6:30 p.m. Christ UMC, 81 Garrison Branch Road, Weaverville, NC 28787

#### **April 3, 2026, Good Friday Service of Tenebrae**

6:30 pm. Alexander Chapel UMC

#### **April 22, 2026, from 6:30 to 7:30**

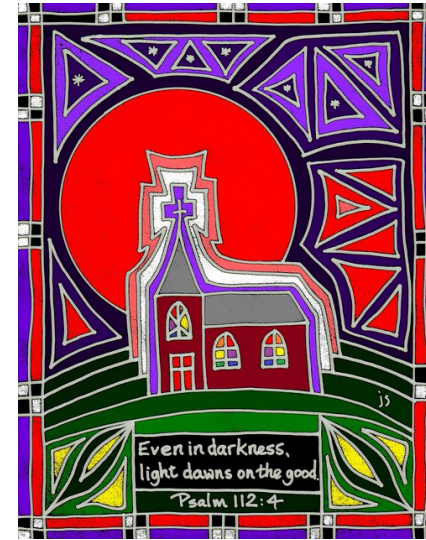
Concert/Fundraiser Performance by Murphy Campbell  
Remembrance: Honoring Creation, Land, and Community.

#### ***Appeal for Food Donations to Support Asheville Buncombe Community Charity Ministries***

Alexander Chapel collects and delivers donations to ABCCM on the first Sunday of every month. We ask that you please consider helping in this way to support our neighbors in need.

#### ***Medical Equipment Lending Closet***

Alexander Chapel partners with Clarks Chapel to staff the Medical Equipment Lending Closet. This is a resource for residents of the Weaverville, NC area seeking to borrow medical equipment.



### **Alexander Chapel United Methodist Church**

*A Church for Everyone*

**Sunday Worship, 11:00 am**

**February 8, 2026**

#### **Physical address:**

880 Aiken Road, Asheville, NC 28804  
828-658-3015

#### **Mailing address:**

5 Sawyer Cove Rd, Weaverville, NC 28787

**Pastor: Phillip Gibson**

**Lay Leader: Phillip Hawkins**

**Pianist: Steve Hawkins**

**Praise Leader: Pam Williams**

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