

#### Asbury United Methodist Church

Making Disciples for the Transformation of the World by Loving God, Growing Together, Reaching Out

Psalm 98:1 O sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

The New Year is here. What does that mean for you? New years resolution? New diet? New exercise? New plan? It is interesting how we focus so much attention on the new. I read recently that everyone needs to reinvent themselves throughout their life, otherwise they will become stagnant. Perhaps this is something that we are created with, the desire for new. After all at a cellular level, we are brand new every seven years. That means at 50, I have been new at least 7 times. In reality, I have been made new many more times. With each new month, or new week, or new day, or new breath, I am made new. I am a new creation in Christ.

This year we are going to begin something new at Asbury, and we invite you to join us. It is a new chance for us to be the hands and feet of Christ. Join us to sing a new song and celebrate a new covenant with God. Join us as we celebrate God's new mercies and new creation. May we be God's voice in the world. Join us as we pray for this new thing that God is doing in us and through us. May God's blessings be upon you and may you be ready for the New Year!

Look for the new Asbury connects page on Facebook and email every Friday. There will be more New!

Blessings, Jerry

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# January Birthdays

Donna Daniels 01/01 Herb Whitfield 1/1 Debby Hendrix 1/3 Bill Henry 1/3 Kevin James 1/3 Emily Rivers 1/6 Emerson Hensley 1/8 Melody Johnson 1/8 Connor DeBusk 1/9 Sharon Jeffers 1/9 Carolyn Smith 1/9 Mary Garland 1/10 Louis Ricker 1/12 Buddy Yonz 1/17 Becky Yonz 1/18 Tucker Loggins 1/20 Brenda Ottinger 1/20 Abby Carter 1/24 Amy Gardner 1/24 Keith Cornwell 1/25 Emily Susong 1/25 Ben Wagner 1/25 Bob Windham 1/26 Jimmy Hill 1/27 Betty Mathes 1/27 Barbara Clanton 1/29 Pat Bradford 1/30 Cindy Adorante 1/31 Watson Leonard 1/31 Welcome to The Asbury Connection.

This is your monthly newsletter and your access to all things Asbury. Find out what has been happening and what will be happening for all of Asbury's events and groups. We have changed things up a bit for this New Year and I would love to have some feed back. Please feel free to let us know what you like about The Asbury Connection, are there things you would like to see in the newsletter, or things you think we may need to change? Just send me an email to general@asburyumconline.com or call the office.

Blessings & Peace Susan



United Methodist Women will have their January meeting Thursday the 17th at 11:30am. This month's program will be our yearly pledge service, and will be a bag lunch. The mission will be donations for the coal fund.

#### 2019 Officers

President: Debby Hendrix Vice President: Sally Andrew

Secretary: Tee Earl

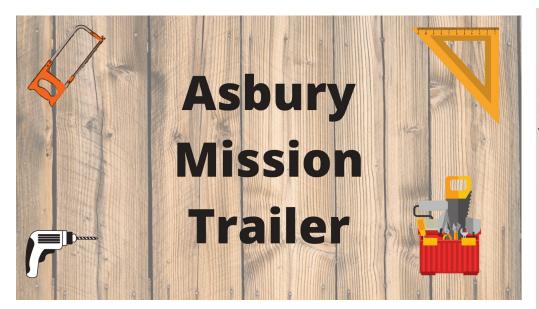
Treasurer: Barbara Clanton Correspondence: Lynda Sullivan

Nominations Chair: Bettye Ann Bewley

Communications: Judy Kennon Spiritual Growth: Marjorie Bullen

Historian: Binnie Brooks

Social Action: Bettye Ann Bewley



# January Anniversaries

Leon & Jewel Bell 1/14 Larry & Margaret Akins 1/21 Joe & Cindy Adorante 1/28

Friends, we pray this finds you well! For several years, there has been a dream to develop an "Asbury Missions Trailer". This trailer would be stocked with tools and lumber, and then taken on mission trips and other community outreach projects. The "Asbury Missions Trailer" would simply need to be towed to the job site, and the outreach teams would instantly have access to many of the tools needed to complete mission's projects. This trailer would serve as an extension of Asbury United Methodist Church in a concerted effort to serve our community and to fulfill our mission of Love, Grow, Reach. We have been extremely blessed to have a trailer which was donated, and are currently in the process of refitting it in order to allow flexibility in a mission. We have acquired some tools, but are in need of many other items that would allow Asbury to reach out. In the coming months, we will be putting forth a "wish list" of items that can be purchased either as an individual donation or by group donation. This wish list of items will be maintained by Jonathan Ervin, our Director of Contemporary Worship and Youth Leader.

Whether in our surrounding community or in our very own congregation, the need is great and ever-present. Through this mission, we can follow the mandate given to us by Christ – to make disciples for the transformation of the world, we can show others the love of Christ, and we can teach people skills which will benefit them for years to come. In the coming months, we will be asking for prayers and support to make this mission a reality. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Jonathan Ervin at (423) 525-3031 or Ervin@asburyumconline.com, or Rob Brown @ (423) 552-0593.

# Congregational Care

#### Living at Home

- Minnie Anderson
- Buck Mathes
- Barbara Lawson
- Louise Love
- Felty & Jean Masengill
- Jessie Wilburn

#### **Living at Morning Pointe**

- Billie Collette
- Homer & Marjorie
   Davenport
- Winifred Kuper

#### **Living at Brookdale**

- Mel Mauck
- Bill Teilmann

#### **Living at Signature**

Tedo Southerland

#### Living at Laughlin Health Care

Janice Moore

#### Living at John Reed

Pat Garrett

# From the Restoration Depot Chairperson, John Cash

2018 activity from this year for Restoration Depot. We've helped 33 families, consisting of 122 total family members. This was mostly from referrals from Dept. of Children Services and Asbury members (either Benevolence or call-ins). This is down 9 from 2017's 43 families and 151 total family members.

#### **Items Needed**

Dressers

Washers/Dryers,

**Bedding** 

#### Items that families normally need quickly:

- Appliances: Washers, dryers, small appliances
- **Bedding:** Cash donations to purchase new mattresses, but box springs and bed frames in good condition are acceptable
- Furniture: Small dressers and chest of drawers, dinette tables & chairs and lamps
- Linens & household items: Twin, full and queen sheet sets, pillows, blankets, bedspreads/comforters, towels, washcloths, dishcloths, window blinds, rugs
- Kitchen: Silverware, pots and pans, mixing & serving bowls, casserole dishes



A Ministry of Asbury UMC

Greeneville,  $\mathcal{I}N$ 

#### If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please contact the following:

- John Cash: (423) 552-4316; email: jcashsr49@yahoo.com
- Frank Holzschuh: (423) 523-5513; email: frankp530@gmail.com
- Kay Freer: (423) 534-3491; email: zelda theone@yahoo.com
- Rev. Jones: (423) 620-2668; email: jones@asburyumconline.com

## From the Director of Family Ministries, Kim Brown



Join us for our Winter
painting class
January 20th 3 pm
Cost \$25
Call Church office to register

Yoga
Join us at 5 pm each Monday
in the Fellowship Hall
starting January 7
Donation of \$3
Bring your own yoga mat

#### **Greene County Community Thanksgiving**

Once again Asbury met their goal of enough vegetables, cakes, & drinks for the community outreach Thanksgiving. Thank you to all who helped with your donations and assistance.







#### Mary & Joseph Gifts

Thank you Asbury for the generous support on Christmas Eve for Mary & Joseph Project. With your gifts we are able to help children/youth in the Greeneville and Greene













For more information on happenings within the Family Ministry, or if you would like to be added to the remind group, please contact Mrs. Kim, <a href="mailto:brown@asburyumconline.com">brown@asburyumconline.com</a>

# **Children's Ministries Happenings**

# "THE BIRTH OF OUR SAVIOR"

The children did an outstanding job in their Christmas Program. Many thanks to Mrs. Kathy Adorante for directing the program. Thank you to Mrs. Soozie Shore for all your help in the wonderful costumes. Thank you Mrs. & Mrs. David Andrew for narrating our program. Thank you to all the adult and youth helpers for keeping everyone on task and on stage at the correct times. And last but not least, Thank you parents for all your help in making our program a success.













## Wonderful Wednesday's

Wonderful Wednesday's resume January 9. If your child did not participate in the afterschool pickup/homework club and would like to join us, please let Mrs. Kim know. Our afternoon schedule looks like this; 330-345 snack, 345-425 homework/reading time, 430-500 Bible study/activity time, 500-530 Music time. Children are expected to treat everyone with respect and obey the rules set forth by adults helping with Wonderful Wednesday's. Any behavior issues will be followed by meeting with Mrs. Kim, Pastor Jones and parents.

# Children's Ministry Fundraiser-"Souper" Bowl Vegetable Soup

We will be selling Homemade Vegetable Soup to enjoy during your Super Bowl watching! Soup will be in a quart jar and sale for \$15. Orders will be taken January 7th - 26th. Soup may be picked up on Sunday February 3rd.

Orders may be placed through church office or Mrs. Kim.



#### Third graders received their Bibles on November 18.

10:00 service

Nick Hall-Bible mentor; Shane Hite, Mack Hall-Bible mentor; Lee Duckworth (Lori Duckworth standing in for Lee), Jake Hall-Bible mentor; George Tvardy, Kiley Morley-Bible mentor; Amanda Richey. Not pictured-Austin Haun, Bible mentor; Rob McGaw.

11:00 service

Gracyn Uhls-Bible mentor; Ivy Leonard, Kingston Shepherd-Bible mentor; Tyler Adorante.

Not pictured-Natalie Knight and Bible mentor, Stephanie Hite.





# ASBURY Youth

#### Announcements:

- If you haven't paid your \$25 deposit for Resurrection, it is due ASAP!
- Remaining balance for Resurrection is due Sunday Jan. 20th, 2019
- Beginning in February, youth ministry will be hosting breakfast fundraising meals once a month for the upcoming mission trip to Alliance, NE



#### **Up-Coming Events:**

Sunday Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 @5:30 – We will have a youth/parent meeting to discuss Resurrection and mission trips in the Fellowship Hall (**All youth and parents of youth who plan to attend either of these trips should plan to be at this meeting)** 

Wednesday Jan. 9th, 2019 – Youth Ministry will host the Wednesday night meal (this will be a fundraiser for Resurrection) (Any youth who work will receive a portion of the profits from the meal)

Friday Feb. 8th, 2019 – We will have a Junior high lock-in at the church (Senior High lock in to be scheduled in March)

Sunday Feb. 17, 2019 - We will have "Homeless for a Night" (More information to come)

Friday June 14th-Sunday June 23rd, 2019 – We will be going on a mission trip to Alliance, NE to do ministry among the Native Americans



# **Wednesday Night Meal Schedule**

If you or your class/group would like to host a fundraiser meal, please contact Mrs. Judy or Susan in the office.

If you would like to volunteer for our meal outreach program to delivery meals to Asbury Shut-ins, please contact Mrs. Judy.

#### 2019 Leadership

#### Church council:

Chairperson Lee Duckworth Secretary Susan Bowers Pastor Rev. Jerry Jones

Director of

**Family Ministries** Kim Brown

Director of

**Traditional Music Cindy Sams Director of Contemporary** 

Jonathan Ervin Worship Lay Leader **Buddy Yonz** Lay Leader **TBD** Lay Member to AC Susan Cash Lay Member to AC Shelby Sullivan Lay Member to AC-Alternate

Children's Council

Rep Kathy Adorante Senior Adult Rep Dinah Seip UMW Rep **Debby Hendrix** ACEC Chairperson **Brook Loggins** 

Mission Team Jonathan Ervin/ Rob Brown

Chairperson Trustees

Chairperson Rad Clanton/ Randy Loggins

Staff-Parish

Chairperson **George Tvardy** Finance Chairperson Rodney Bell

#### **Finance Committee**

Chairperson Rodney Bell

Ivy Leonard/Bobby Wells Treasurer

Financial Secretary **Susan Bowers** 

Trustees Chairperson TBD

Staff-Parish

Chairperson George Tvardy Stewardship Chair Bob Leonard Lay Leader

Leadership Team

Lee Duckworth Chairperson Lay Member to AC Shelby Sullivan

#### At-Large

Michelle Loven Year 3 Year 3 Shane Hite Year 2 Bill Brown Barbara Clanton Year 2 Year 1 Brian Allen Year 1 Maynard Austin

#### **Leadership Development/Nominating**

Year 3 Mary Perry

Year 3 Marge Saulsbury

Year 3 Barbara Serral

Year 2 Debby Hendrix

Year 2 Frank Holzschuh

Ben Brooks Year 2

Phyllis Stansfield Year 1

Bettye Ann Bewley Year 1 Year 1

Dawn Wright Ex-Officio-Lay Leader Buddy Yonz

Chairperson Rev. Jerry Jones

#### **Staff-Parish Relations Committee**

Year 3 **Doug Debusk** Year 3 Tee Earl Year 3 Joy McGuffin Year 2 Carolyn Ricker

Frieda Wright Year 2 George Tvardy\* Year 2 Lori Duckworth

Year 1 Year 1 Dale Landers

Year 1

Lay Member to AC Susan Cash Ex-Officio-Lay Leader Buddy Yonz

Leslie Allen Year 3 Year 3 Randy Loggins Year 3 Jerry Moore Year 2 Steve Shore **Brandon Hull** Year 2 Year 2 Suzanne Wagner Year 1 Dave Wright Year 1 Phyllis Bible Year 1 Alice Russell Ex-Officio Rev. Jerry Jones

Ex-Officio Ex-Officio Keith Cornwell

#### **ACEC Board of Directors**

Year 3 Terri Lawson Year 3 Terry Rymer Year 3 **Leslie Staggs** Year 2 Jane Brown Don Stansfield Year 2 Year 2 Abby Lawson Year 1 **Brenda Ottinger** Year 1 Janie Laws Holly McGaw Year 1 Ex-Officio Kim Brown Ex-Officio Rev. Jerry Jones

#### **Council on Ministries**

**Adult Ministries** 

Coordinator: Susan Holzschuh

Benevolence Team

Chairperson: John McGuffin

Boy Scouts Representative: Art Masker Camping Advocates: Emily & Scott Whitaker Children in Poverty Chairperson: Linda Kershaw

Evangelism Chairperson: Steve Shore Fellowship Coordinator: Judy Kennon

Historian: Carolyn Gregg

Holston Home Ambassador: TBD Nurture Ministries Chairperson:

Bettye Hayes/Marge Saulsbury

Older Adult Ministries: Dinah Seip

Outreach Ministries Chairperson: Judy Kennon Sunday School Superintendent: Jerry Moore Restoration Depot Chairperson: John Cash Witness Ministry Chairperson: David Andrew Wood Cutting Ministry: David Andrew

January

# 2019

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
			8A-Van Dreal SG-DC			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
8A-Chapel Worship 9A-Sunday School for all ages 10A-Traditional-ST 11A-Contemporary-FH 4P-Our Father's Place-CH 5:30P —Youth/ Parent Meeting	7P-Troop 94 5:30P-YOGA	3P-Benevolence-LB 5:30P-Trustees-DC	10A-Prayer Shawl Ministry-PSR SEE WED. NIGHT SCH.	9A-PEP Club		8A– Wood Cutters Ministry Meal-FH
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
8A-Chapel Worship 9A-Sunday School for all ages 10A-Traditional-ST 11A-Contemporary-FH 3P-Painting Class 4P-Our Father's Place-CH 5:30P-Youth	7P-Troop 94	3P-Benevolence-LB 5:30P-SPRC-DC 6P-Boy Scout Meeting	8A-Van Dreal SG-DC 10A-Prayer Shawl Ministry-PSR	11:30A-UMW Meeting-FH		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
8A-Chapel Worship 9A-Sunday School for all ages 10A-Traditional-ST 11A-Contemporary-FH 3P-Painting Class 4P-Our Father's Place-CH	7P-Troop 94	3P-Benevolence –LB	10A-Prayer Shawl Ministry-PSR	9A-PEP Club		11A-Puzzle Pieces-FH
27	28	29	30	31		
8A-Chapel Worship 9A-Sunday School for all ages 10A-Traditional-ST 11A-Contemporary-FH 4P-Our Father's Place-CH	7P-Troop 94	3P-Benevolence –LB	8A-Van Dreal SG-DC 10A-Prayer Shawl Ministry-PSR			
			WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE 3:30-3:50— Snack Time 3:50-4:30— Homework Time 4:30-5:00— Bible activities 5:00-5:30— Music 5:30-6:15— Fellowship Dinner 6:30PM—Chancel Choir Practice			

Abbreviation Key
Boots Bewley-BB
Chapel-CH
Choir Room-CR
Disciple Classroom-DC
D&H Brown Classroom-DH

Fellowship Hall-FH John Wesley Class–JWC LaRue Classroom-LR Library-LB Parlor-PL Prayer Shawl Room-PSR

Rev. Jones' Study-RJS Sanctuary-ST Sisters By Grace-SG Youth Room-YR

#### **Asbury United Methodist Church Staff**

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#### Sunday Worship Schedule

8:00AM—Chapel Worship—CH 9:00AM—Sunday School Classes 10:00AM—Traditional Worship—ST 11:00AM—Contemporary Worship—FH

#### Wednesday Night Schedule

3:30PM—Homework Club
4:30PM—Children's Activities
5:30PM—Wednesday Night Meal
5:45PM—Handbell Practice
6:00PM—UMYF
6:30PM—Small Groups & Choir Practice

#### **SUNDAY GROUP OPPORTUNITIES**

9A Nursery, Preschool & K-5th Grade in Children's Dept. (under Sanctuary) 9A Youth in Youth Room 9A Men's Life Group-PSR

#### **1st Floor Education Building**

9A D&H Brown (mixed gender, 50-70s)9A Disciple (mixed gender, mixed age)9A Sisters by Grace (females, mixed age)

9A LaRue (mixed gender, mixed ages)

#### 2nd Floor Education Building

9A Seekers (mixed gender, 30-50s)-Parlor9A Choir (mixed gender, mixed age)

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