

Asbury United Methodist Church

Monthly Newsletter

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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
5:00PM—WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL
6:00PM—CHOIR PRACTICE, KIDS KLUB, YOUTH

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January Birthdays

Donna Daniels 1/1
 Debby Hendrix 1/3
 Kevin James 1/3
 Bill Henry 1/3
 Melody Johnson 1/3
 Emerson Hensley 1/8
 Leo Nelson 1/8
 Sharon Jeffers 1/9
 Carolyn Smith 1/9
 Connor Debusk 1/9
 Mary Garlnad 1/10
 Greta Britton 1/10
 Addi Lasko 1/11
 Louise Ricker 1/12
 Lila Richey 1/13
 Buddy Yonz 1/17
 San Sanjeev 1/17
 Becky Yonz 1/18
 Nash Barns 1/18
 Breda Ottinger 1/20
 Kylee Collier 1/23
 Cobin Crumbley 1/24
 Emily Susong 1/25
 Keith Cornwell 1/25
 Bob Windham 1/26
 Natasha De Bord 1/26
 Jimmy Hill 1/27
 Betty Mathes 1/27
 Micah Justis 1/28
 Barbara Clanton 1/29
 Pat Bradford 1/30
 Watson Leonard 1/31



Genesis 17:4

*"As for me, this is my covenant with you:
 You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of
 nations."*

Luke 4:16-21 *When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, 17 and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:*

*18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
 because he has anointed me
 to bring good news to the poor.
 He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives
 and recovery of sight to the blind,
 to let the oppressed go free,*

19 to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

20 And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. 21 Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

God has a plan! From the beginning of creation, through Abraham and Moses and all the way to Jesus. God has a plan! Jesus is the fulfillment of that plan, and for us this means coming to know God. The plan is good news for everyone. The end result is good news! But the process, the journey to the fulfillment of the plan is not the same for everyone. I shared this on Christmas. The plan for the shepherds is not the same as the plan for the wisemen, but the destination is the same.

So, the destination is Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us. The destination is an eternal relationship with God. That has always been the plan. The lives of the shepherds to first hear of the messiah's birth were changed, perhaps not the journey, but the destination went from one of survival to one of fulfillment. The journey of the wisemen took them from a place of waiting to a commitment of faith; to do whatever is necessary to see the one they have been waiting on.

As we begin 2023 I know God has a plan for each one of us, and a plan for Asbury United Methodist church. This plan where we share the good news of Jesus for the transformation of the world. I invite you to join together with the Leadership of Asbury to know God's plan for us as we move to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Blessings,
 Jerry
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Church Maintenance Updates-Keith Cornwell

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and Holiday Season.

Just a few reminders for the upcoming year.

- Automatic flush toilets will be changed over to manual flush as they malfunction. Parts for automatic flush are expensive and hard to get replacement parts.
- Please no food or drinks in the sanctuary.
- Please do not pour liquids or leave in cups in trash cans in the building.
- Receptacles marked for recycling are for paper only.

I want to wish everyone a safe and happy new year!

I am looking forward to the new year and all that it may bring.

God Bless,
Keith

Below you will find pictures of items left in the church over this past year. If any belong to you they are available for pick up in the reception office.



January Anniversaries

Leon & Jewel Bell 1/14

Larry & Margaret Akins 1/21

San & Sara Sanjeev 1/27

Congregational Care

Living at Home

Libby Bible

Don & Joyce Hyde

Felty & Jean Masengill

Buck & Betty Mathes

Living at Morning Pointe

Marjorie Davenport

Winifred Kuper

Pat Logan

Barbara Serral

Mary Van Dreal

Living at Brookdale

Mel Mauck

Living at Signature

Bethea Luttrell

Durham Hensley

Louise Love

If you would like to mail to our homebound please contact the church office for contact information.



From the Church Office Administrator; Susan Bowers


Happy New Year!

If you still wish to give to the 2022 contributions for tithing, you may do so till Jan 4th.

I have reformatted this years newsletter I hope you like it. If you have any suggestions or would like to see something different please let me know.

We are in need of volunteers for receptionist particularly on Thursday mornings. If you would like to help out in the office please contact me.

We are still sending out invitations for with our partnership with the Greeneville Sun. Currently we have sent out over 1000 invitations.






Do you have a magazine subscription stack?
Extra books? Devotionals?

Donate them today!

Asbury is now taking donations of magazines, devotionals, upper rooms, short books, bibles and other reading materials for our home-bound and Meals on Wheels partnership.

Drop off unwanted material at the church office!



You may know about our Magazine Mission where we take your old magazines and we share them with Meals on Wheels participants. I would like to expand our mission to include other items. The Meals on Wheels that we work with has 18 people that they deliver too. If you would like to donate items or would like to help with the Meals on Wheels program please contact me.

Items they would appreciate:

Crosswords, word searches, puzzles, chap sticks, tissues, magazines, books, & playing cards.

Asbury United Methodist Women, President Sally Andrew



Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a healthy and happy Christmas. We send get well wishes to anyone who is under the weather and prayers for those who have recently lost loved ones. We will not be meeting this month of January. We are currently planning to meet the first Monday of February the 6th. We are asking everyone to bring a monetary donation to help with our AUMW scholarship fund. Stay safe and keep warm! See you in 2023

Blessings,
Sally



2022
Christmas
Brunch



Christmas at Asbury





Asbury Christmas Caroling



Wednesday Night Life

Wednesday Night Meals

January 11-WNM Fund
Pizza, Salad, Desserts

January 18-KIDMIN
Spaghetti, Salad, Bread
Dessert

January 25-Praise Band
Taco Bar & Desserts

If you would like to host a meal on a Wednesday or volunteer to help prep, serve, provide a dessert or help deliver our Shut-in meals, please contact Mrs. Kim.



Isaiah117

Caring for children awaiting foster placement

JANUARY MISSION SPOTLIGHT

ISAIAH 117 HOUSE

Ronda Paulson had a vision to provide physical and emotional support in a safe and loving home for children awaiting foster care placement. She took the words straight from Isaiah 1:17, "defend the cause of the fatherless," and made her vision come true. She formed the first Isaiah house in Cater County, than in November 2019, the third Isaiah house opened in Greene County. Asbury has been a mission partner with the Isaiah House since the first initial meeting with Judge Ken Bailey. We continue today to help support the Isaiah House. Some of the ways we have helped in 2022 were in the form of needed furniture, bedding, toiletries, clothing, meals for kids that are unable to find placement in the first 24 hours as long as meal for Social worker and volunteers on duty. We continue monthly to collect the needed items for the house. You will find these in our announcements in the bulletin and right here in the newsletter. Donations are always accepted for the Isaiah House, funds are sent quarterly from Asbury.

Mark in "Memo" line it is for Isaiah House. Monthly items may be brought by the church office for delivery. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Kim.



JANUARY NEEDS

Pull Ups

Toilet Paper

Legos

Sweat Shirts

Sweat Pants

Leggings

All sizes of above clothing are needed.



Kim Brown, Director of Family Ministries



ASBURY KIDMIN FUNDRAISER MEAL

Asbury KIDMIN will be hosting the Wednesday night meal on January 18. Please come out and support the future disciples of Asbury. Our fundraiser meals help provide our mission projects, field trips, and our year-end trip.

KIDMIN JANUARY HAPPENINGS

**NO POPTARTS & PRAYERS
JANUARY 1**

**SUNDAYS IN KIDMIN
POPTARTS & PRAYERS 9-940
FAMILY WORSHIP
JANUARY 1**

ACOLYTES

**JANUARY 8 BLAKLEY & SHADE
JANUARY 15 KHLOE & ADDI
JANUARY 22 AARUSH & TUCKER
JANUARY 29 JANIYAH & AVERY MAE**

**ONE WORSHIP SERVICE
JANUARY 1 @ 1030 AM
FELLOWSHIP HALL
10:30 AM**

**WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES
RESUME JANUARY 11**

**WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS
330-600
K-5TH GRADE
6-7 KIDS KLUB
3 YEARS - 5TH GRADE**

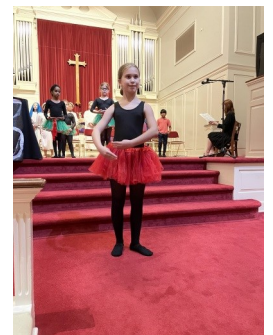
WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS

We will resume Wonderful Wednesday after school pick up on **Wednesday, January 11**. If your child or a child's friend would like to start attending, please get in touch with Mrs. Kim

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

**3:30-4:00 PM SNACK
4:00-4:45 PM HOMEWORK
4:45-5:00 PM MUSIC IN MOTION/FREE TIME
5:00 - 6:00 PM FELLOWSHIP MEAL
6:00-7:00 PM KIDSKlub**

The
CHRISTMAS
CAROL **SPECIAL**
REPORT ✨
A Simple Plus Musical
CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS CAROLS
AROUND THE WORLD!



ASBURY KIDMIN CHRISTMAS PARTY

THANK YOU KENT & BETTYE ANN BEWLEY FOR HOSTING OUR PARTY!



We had a blast at our Christmas Party at the City Garage Car Museum. Thank you to Kent & Betty Ann Bewley for your hospitality. The Kids brought gifts for the Isaiah 117 House instead of exchanging gifts with each other.



**Loaded up
And
Headed to
Isaiah 117 House**





Natasha DeBord
 Director of Student Ministries



In December this month at Asbury we did lots of festive things. We decorated Christmas trees and added a few members to our youth! We watched the Children's Christmas play. We are looking forward to resurrection in January. We would like to thank all the adults that have stepped in to assist Natasha while she is gone. But most of all we are happy that we got to spend the leading weeks to the holidays with our friends and family to celebrate the real meaning of Christmas.

January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Youth 5:00-7:00	9	10	11 Youth 3:00-7:00	12	13	14
15 Youth 5:00-7:00	16	17	18 Youth 3:00-7:00	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Youth 3:00-7:00	26	27	28
29	30	31				

JANUARY EVENTS

1st- NO YOUTH
4th- NO YOUTH
8th- Youth
11th- Youth
15th- Youth
18th- Youth
20th-22nd- Resurrection
 Weekend!
22nd- NO YOUTH
25th- Youth
29th- NO YOUTH



2023 Leadership

Church council:

Chairperson Bill Brown
 Secretary Susan Bowers
 Pastor Rev. Jerry Jones
 Director of
 Family Ministries Kim Brown
 Director of
 Student Ministries Natasha DeBord
 Director of
 Traditional Music Cindy Sams
 Director of
 Cont. Worship Abby Whitaker
 Lay Leader John Reviere
 Lay Leader
 Lay Member to AC Marcia Parsons
 Lay Member to
 AC-Alternate Abigail Brown
 Children's Council
 Rep. Lynette Hill
 Senior Adult Rep. Dinah Seip
 UMW Rep. Sally Andrew
 ACEC Chairperson Abby Lawson
 Mission Team
 Chairperson Rob Brown
 Trustees
 Chairperson Tom Cole / Tom Smith
 Staff-Parish
 Chairperson
 Finance
 Chairperson Rodney Bell

Finance Committee:

Chairperson Rodney Bell
 Treasure Ivy Leonard/Bobby Wells
 Financial Secretary Susan Bowers
 Trustees
 Chairperson Tom Cole/ Tom Smith
 Staff-Parish
 Chairperson
 Stewardship Chair Bob Leonard
 Lay Leader TBD
 Leadership Team
 Chairperson Bill Brown
 Lay Member to AC Marcia Parsons
At-Large
 Year 3 Vicky Cole
 Year 3 Lennie Lawson
 Year 2 Buddy Yonz
 Year 2 Chuck Whitfield
 Year 1 Shane Hite
 Year 1 Mary Louise Fisher

Leadership Development/Nominating:

Year 3 Judy Reviere
 Year 3 John Cash
 Year 3 Art Masker
 Year 2 Kay Freer
 Year 2 Tee Earl
 Year 2 Marcia Parsons
 Year 1 Phyllis Bible
 Year 1 Rebecca Uhls
 Year 1 Sally Andrew
 Chairperson Rev. Jerry Jones

Staff-Parish Relations Committee:

Year 3 Marjorie Bullen
 Year 3 Rebecca Taylor
 Year 3 Jim Seip
 Year 2 Doris Allen
 Year 2 Art Masker
 Year 2 Don Stansfield
 Year 1 Debbie Hendrix
 Year 1 Lynn Reviere
 Year 1 Holly McGaw
 Ex-Officio Rev. Jerry Jones

Trustees:

Year 3 John Loven
 Year 3 Tom Cole-Chair
 Year 3 Tom Smith-Chair
 Year 2 Frank Holzschuh
 Year 2 John Cash
 Year 2 Rachel Hensley
 Year 1 Leslie Allen
 Year 1 Stephanie Hite
 Year 1 Mike Barnes
 Ex-Officio Rev. Jerry Jones
 Ex-Officio Keith Cornwell

ACEC Board of Directors:

Year 3 Jessica McAfee
 Year 3 Dusty Click
 Year 3 Abby Lawson –Board Chair
 Year 2 Diane Gibson
 Year 2 Brenda Ottinger
 Year 2 Janie Laws
 Year 2 Holly McGaw
 Year 1 Mary Louise Fisher
 Year 1 Stephanie Hite
 Year 1 Terri Lawson
 At Large Lynette Hill
 Ex-Officio Kim Brown
 Ex-Officio Rev. Jerry Jones

Evangelism Committee:

David Andrew
 Jeff Taylor
 Susan Holzschuh
 Mike Barnes
 Dale Landers
 Lisa Crum
 Lee Duckworth
 Lori Duckworth

Missions Committee:

Kay Freer
 John Cash
 Pat Bradford
 Lynette Hill

Family Ministries:

Adult Ministries
 Coordinator: Susan Holzschuh
 Benevolence Team
 Chairperson: Vicky Cole
 Boy Scouts Representative: Art Masker
 Children in Poverty Chairperson: Tee Earl
 Evangelism Chairperson: John Reviere
 Fellowship Coordinator: Judy Kennon
 Historian: Carolyn Gregg
 Holston Home Ambassador: Kent Bewley
 Nurture Ministries
 Chairperson: Marge Saulsbury
 Older Adult Ministries: Dinah Seip
 Mission Ministries: Rob Brown
 Outreach Ministries: John Cash
 Sunday School
 Superintendent: Jerry Moore
 Wood Cutting Ministry: David Andrew

January

2023

<div> <div> Abbreviation Key Boots Bewley-BB Chapel-CH Choir Room-CR </div> <div> Disciple Classroom-DC D&H Brown Classroom-DH Fellowship Hall-FH John Wesley Class-JWC </div> <div> LaRue Classroom-LR Library-LB Parlor-PL Prayer Shawl Room-PSR </div> <div> Sanctuary-ST Sisters By Grace-SG Youth Room-YR </div> </div>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10:30AM Epiphany Sunday Single Service						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
9A-Sunday School 10A- Traditional –ST 11A-Cont. Service-FH 4P-Our Father’s Place 5:30P Asbury Youth	7P-Troop 94		10A-Benevolence 3:30P-Homework Club 5P-WNM 6P-Group Activities			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
8A-Chapel Service 9A-Sunday School 10A- Traditional –ST 11A-Cont. Service-FH 4P-Our Father’s Place 5:30P-Asbury Youth	7P-Troop 94	5:30P-Trustee Meeting	8A-Van Dreal study group 10A-Benevolence 3:30P-Homework Club 5P-WNM 6P-Group Activities		Resurrection	Resurrection
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
8A-Chapel Service 9A-Sunday School 10A- Traditional –ST 11A-Cont. Service-FH 4P-Our Father’s Place Resurrection	7P-Troop 94		10A-Benevolence 3:30P-Homework Club 5P-WNM 6P-Group Activities			
29	30	31				
9A-Sunday School 10A– Christmas Service–ST 4P-Our Father’s Place 5:30P Asbury Youth	7P-Troop 94		8A-Van Dreal study group 10A-Benevolence 3:30P-Homework Club 5P-WNM 6P-Group Activities			

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**SUNDAY GROUP
OPPORTUNITIES**

9A— Nursery, Preschool & K-5th
Children's Dept.
(under Sanctuary)

1st Floor Education Building

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

2nd Floor Education Building

9A—Choir
(mixed gender, mixed age)

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