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Col 3: 10 & 11 and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. 11 In that renewal, there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!



As we approach this Fourth of July I am filled with such a flood of emotions. So many of those “freedoms” that I take for granted have been curbed or taken away. Then to be followed up with an outcry against an injustice that has bubbled just below the surface for so many years. On April 17, 1960, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. called out the church, for the 11 am hour being “the most segregated hour in America.” Racism has long been a struggle for the church in America. Whether we are talking about slavery or immigration the sin is the same. I suppose the ironic thing is that the root causes of the racism we experience here, were a part of the reasons for the early church spreading across the ocean to America in the first place. People truly wanted to be the Body of Christ.

In the early 18th century John and Charles Wesley began to recognize a gap in the ministry of the Anglican church. That all were not being ministered too. All were not seen as being a part of the body of Christ. So they began to intentionally reach out to the poor. At the time of the revolutionary war, a lot of the circuit-riding Methodists were identified as Tories and sympathizers with England, because of their relationship to the church of England. This relationship ultimately led to the 1784 Christmas conference to establish the Methodist church in America. We still struggled with ministry to the least, the last, the lost, and the lonely. Circuit riders took the gospel west sharing with any who would listen, but when it came to building buildings and having a home for the “church” not all were welcome.

In 1844 the Methodist church split over the issue of slavery. It took almost 100 years for us to come back together. I suppose the question is are we really together. God doesn't see, “Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free,” but what do we see? Children of God or something else? I know that in our community we may feel that we do a good job on the issue of racism. But we don't. When we refer to us and them, that is racism. Racism as defined by Merriam-Webster: “a belief that race is the primary determinant of human traits and capacities and that racial differences produce an inherent superiority of a particular race. 2a: a doctrine or political program based on the assumption of racism and designed to execute its principles.” For us, in the U.S. this has gone on far too long and we in the church have waited for someone else to do something. For this Fourth of July let us seek to make it a true independence day for all. Let us be the body of Christ for all God's children.

Blessings,
Jerry

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Rev. Donald J. Smith".

July Birthdays

Tyler Detroyer 7/1
Foster Kilday 7/3
Aala Kyte 7/4
Austin Loven 7/4
James Montgomery 7/5
Rad Clanton 7/6
Gray Hull 7/8
Ann Smith 7/8
Rebecca Uhls 7/9
Ava Jo Homes 7/10
Mary Brooks 7/12
Jane Brown 7/12
Alisa Crawford 7/12
Jim Sterling 7/14
Caroline Tvardy 7/14
Ashley Duckworth 7/16
Julie Ann Richey 7/16
Kim Bowers 7/17
Theo DeBord 7/17
Brook Loggins 7/17
Olivia Bradford 7/20
Donald Hyde 7/22
Maeve Rogers 7/22
Shelby Sullivan 7/22
Jake Broyles 7/23
Shannon Johnson 7/23
Frank Jennings 7/24
Ron Boshart 7/28
Blakley Crum 7/28
Megan Johnson 7/28
Joe McInturff 7/29
Howard Slagle 7/30

July 5th soft opening!

As we are approaching our soft opening date we ask that you bear with us during this time of caution. Below is a few things we need to be able to reopen on the 5th of July.

Volunteers! This is most important because we will not be able to reopen with out the cleaning team. We need 16 total volunteers a month, which is 4 each Sunday, to help clean between services. The cleaning procedure is to wipe down touched surfaces spray disinfectant, and to clean up anything left behind in the space. Please contact the church if you can volunteer.

Reservations: We need everyone that plans to attend on the July 5th to RSVP on the website under the reservation menu. To follow the procedures and guidelines we have to maintain the social distances procedures. We are able to seat 90 people in the sanctuary and 45 in the fellowship hall. We are asking some of our 10 AM people to think about coming to the 8 AM service, which will be identical to the 10 Am service. This will allow us to accommodate more people safely.

Safety: If you feel that you are in the high risk category we ask that you continue to worship online with us. Everyone that does attend, a mask or face shield are required as well as social distancing.

For more information on the procedures and guidelines please check the website under our COVID19/Reopening menu

You can find this and more information on our website.

<https://asburylife.org/>

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this time.

Blessings & Peace
Asbury Staff

United Methodist Women

Greetings,

We would like to congratulate our United Methodist Women's Scholarship winners. Abigail Brown and Abby Whitaker. They both submitted such excellent applications that we gave the award to them both. Congratulations and best wishes in your life endeavors.

Love

Sally Andrew

President



Abigail Brown



Abby Whitaker

2020 Officers

President: Sally Andrew

Vice President: Debby Hendrix

Secretary: Tee Earl

Treasurer: Barbara Clanton

Pledge Secretary: Elizabeth Wilson

Correspondence: Lynda Sullivan

Scholarship Treasure: Barbara Clanton

Reading Program: Becki McInturff

Mission Coordinators:

Spiritual Growth: Barbara Serral

Social Action: Bettye Anne Bewley, Judy Kennon

Nominating Committee:

Ann Smith

Caroline Russell

Kim Brown

Scholarship:

Barbara Clanton

Becki McInturff

Lisa Crum

Historian: Bennie Brooks



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July Anniversaries

Bill & June Henry 7/3

Rad & Barbara Clanton 7/11

Ken & Tee Earl 7/12

Andy & Lynn Broyles 7/22

Jim & Dinah Seip 7/26

Lennie & Terri Lawson 7/29

Congregational Care

Living at Home

- Minnie Anderson
 - Libby Bible
 - Orland Britton
- Barbara Lawson
 - Louise Love
- Felty & Jean Masengill
 - Buck Mathes
 - Cheryl Smith

Living at Morning Pointe

- Homer & Marjorie Davenport
 - Winifred Kuper
- Kermit & Betty Justis
 - Pat Logan

Living at Brookdale

- Mel Mauck

Living at Signature

- Tedo Southerland

Living at Laughlin Health Care

- Janice Moore

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

Asbury Missions



Kim and Natasha have started a weekly "Mission Spot Light." Each week a different mission of Asbury will be spotlighted. Watch for these videos to learn more how we are being the church outside the walls and ways you can help with these missions.

Mary & Joseph Project



Isaiah 117 House With Gwyn Southerland



Local Missions With Rob Brown



Greene County Wood Ministry With David Andrew



Children's Ministries



Armor Quest SBS 2020

We will be hosting a Staycation Bible School the week of July 19– 24. Each daily video will include an Intro to the day, Storytelling, Trivia, Music, Craft, and Closing. Each child will need an “Armor Quest” Kit. These “Armor Quest “ Kits will include a parent instruction sheet, Daily activity sheets with instructions for each part of SBS, our SBS Mission Project, and needed supplies for crafts. Parents/guardians will have the opportunity to come by Asbury and pick up each child’s SBS “Armor Quest” Kit beginning July 8. SBS episodes will be released daily at 9 am starting on July 19 and parents will be able to access them any time after that via our church website, www.asburylife.org, Asbury Facebook page and Asbury connected YouTube channel. We can’t host Bible school in the church building, so we are bringing Bible school to you. If you need assistance getting your child’s “Armor Quest” Kit, please let Mrs. Kim know and arrangements will be made to make this happen. If you have questions, please reach out to Mrs. Kim.

Our SBS Mission project will be collecting needed items for Isaiah 117 House.

Family Ministries



“Sonshine Bags”

Asbury Family Ministries delivered “Sonshine Bags” to our Senior Congregants in June. They included everything Yellow like the rays of Son light along with a note and bible verse. We delivered 43 bags of “Sonshine.”

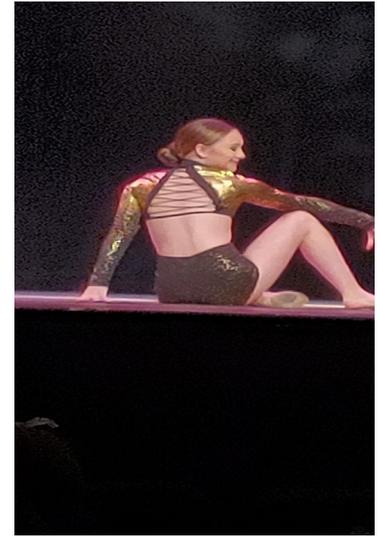
Dates set for postponed General Conference

Commission on the General Conference has announced new 2021 dates for General Conference following the postponement of the event due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The quadrennial legislative event will take place on **August 29 - September 7, 2021**, at the Minneapolis The Convention Center in Minneapolis, Minn.

UMC Bishops announce dates for postponed Jurisdictional Conference

The Council of Bishops (COB) has announced new dates for the 2021 Jurisdictional Conferences in the United States which have been postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Jurisdictional Conferences in the United States will be held **November 10-12, 2021**. The days prior to and after can be used at the discretion of each Jurisdictional Conference.

Congratulations to our Asbury Dancers , Rebekah Brown, Carolina Jones, and Tatum Hill, on their Recital performance June 23. We are so very proud of your dedication and talent.



Asbury Youth

During the month of July, I encourage you to choose one mission from the list below to help see, hear, and spread God’s love. Actions often speak louder than words and we are a people called to be the hands and feet of Christ. With that being said, do not limit yourself to just this list, or just the month of July! Look for moments when you can help or pray for someone even if you don’t know them. I’ll be praying for you and look forward to the day when we can start meeting again! I miss every one of your smiles. Now go and be Jesus to someone. Love you!

Make a bird feeder.	Bake something for someone.	Buy a drink for the person behind you at the drive thru.	Buy from a local farmer.	Give flowers to someone just because.	Write a letter or card and mail it to someone.	Make a meal to share.
Share your favorite book with others.	Make a donation to a local charity.	Tend to a flower bed/garden/yard work.	Surprise someone with a random gift.	Share an encouraging quote on social media.	Support a local business/artist.	Call someone you haven’t talked to in a while.
Be encouraging and positive.	Send a letter to someone deployed.	Smile at a stranger.	Tell someone why you love them.	Send an encouraging text.	Reach out to a grandparent.	Forgive someone.
Leave a thank you note in your mailbox for your mail carrier.	Compliment a stranger.	Be a listening ear.	Raise awareness of something you care about.	Create art and share it with someone (you don’t have to physically give it to someone).	Plant something.	Go the day without complaining.
Be intentional about recycling.	Share a Bible verse or story with someone.	Get up to watch the sunrise.	Share your testimony online.			

If you need help with any of the suggestions such as addresses, or where to find information on charities, or people to volunteer with, give me a call and I will help you with your need.

Asbury Child Enrichment Center



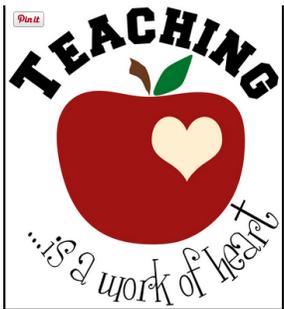
**HOME
OF THE
FREE
BECAUSE
OF THE
BRAVE**

Ms. Kandra is the teacher of the month! Kandra is super creative! Kandra works hard on creating and implementing awesome learning activities for the children. Thank you Kandra for all of your hard work! And thank you to all of our teachers and staff here at ACEC.



In regards to COVID-19, ACEC is taking things day by day. As of right now ACEC plans to remain open until we either get a case in the center or an ACEC family member test positive.

We are trying our best to remain positive throughout this difficult time. If you have any question please contact Chassidy.



ACEC IS IN NEED OF SUBSTITUTES!

If you are interested or know someone who is interested please have them call Chassidy at 423.798.1060

Birthdays:

Samuel	7/02
Ethan M.	7/07
Hunter S.	7/10
Braelee	7/11
Jackson	7/12
Theo	7/17
Grayson	7/19
Caroline M.	7/26
Colton	7/26



REMINDERS

7/03/20 ACEC is closed for July 4th

7/10/20 ACEC is closed for Staff Training

NEW POLICY

If your child has a temperature of 100 degree or higher, your child will be sent home. Please keep your children home if they are unwell, this is to keep down the sickness in the center!

We are doing all we can right now to keep the center as healthy as possible.

Wednesday Night

Wonderful Wednesday will hopefully resume in the fall.

Cost is \$6.00 for adults, \$3.00 children ages 2-10, \$30.00 family.

Take-Out Meals Available.

ALL MEALS MUST RSVP BY NOON ON TUESDAY.

Our schedule, menus, and RSVP form can be found on our website asburylife.org/connect, you can also reserve meals on your connection cards in the pews, or by calling the church office.

2020 Leadership

Church council:

Chairperson	Lee Duckworth
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 Contemporary Worship	Abby Whitaker
Lay Leader	Bill Rymer
Lay Leader	Margaret Akins
Lay Member to AC	Shelby Sullivan
Lay Member to AC-Alternate	Abigail Brown
Children's Council Rep	Amanda Richey
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	George Tvardy
Finance Chairperson	Rodney Bell

Finance Committee:

Chairperson	Rodney Bell
Treasurer	Ivy Leonard/Bobby Wells
Financial Secretary	Susan Bowers
Trustees Chairperson	Tom Cole/ Tom Smith
Staff-Parish	
Chairperson	George Tvardy
Stewardship Chair	Bob Leonard
Lay Leader	TBD

Leadership Team

Chairperson	Lee Duckworth
Lay Member to AC	Shelby Sullivan

At-Large

Year 3	Bill Brown
Year 3	Barbara Clanton
Year 2	Brian Allen
Year 2	Maynard Austin
Year 1	Vicky Cole
Year 1	TBD

Leadership Development/Nominating:

Year 3	Debby Hendrix
Year 3	Frank Holzschuh
Year 3	Ben Brooks
Year 2	Phyllis Stansfield
Year 2	Bettye Ann Bewley
Year 2	Dawn Wright
Year 1	Judy Reviere
Year 1	John Cash
Year 1	Art Masker
Chairperson	Rev. Jerry Jones

Staff-Parish Relations Committee:

Year 3	Carolyn Ricker
Year 3	Frieda Wright
Year 3	George Tvardy-Board Chair
Year 2	Lori Duckworth
Year 2	Dale Landers
Year 2	Sandra Fox
Year 1	Marjorie Bullen
Year 1	Chuck Pearson
Year 1	Jim Seip
Ex-Officio	Rev. Jerry Jones

Trustees:

Year 3	Steve Shore
Year 3	Brandon Hull
Year 3	Suzanne Wagner
Year 2	Dave Wright
Year 2	Phyllis Bible
Year 2	Alice Russell
Year 1	John Loven
Year 1	Tom Cole –Co-Chair
Year 1	Tom Smith –Co-Chair
Ex-Officio	Rev. Jerry Jones
Ex-Officio	Ex-Officio Keith Cornwell

ACEC Board of Directors:

Year 3	Brook Loggins
Year 3	Don Stansfield
Year 3	Abby Lawson –Board Chair
Year 2	Brittani Hirschy
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

Family Ministries:

Adult Ministries	
Coordinator:	Susan Holzschuh
Benevolence Team	
Chairperson:	Joe McInturff
Boy Scouts Representative:	Art Masker
Camping Advocates:	Emily & Scott Whitaker
Children in Poverty Chairperson:	Tee Earl
Evangelism Chairperson:	Steve Shore
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:	Bettye Hayes
Sunday School Superintendent:	Jerry Moore
Restoration Depot Chairperson:	TBD
Witness Ministry Chairperson:	David Andrew
Wood Cutting Ministry:	David Andrew

JULY

2020

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

Sanctuary-ST
Sisters By Grace-SG
Youth Room-YR

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
SOFT OPENING RSVP 8AM-Chapel Service-ST 10A-Traditional Service-ST 11A-Cont. Service-FH	Office Closed	3P-Benevolence				
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
8AM-Chapel Service-ST 10A-Traditional Service-ST 11A-Cont. Service-FH		3P-Benevolence				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
8AM-Chapel Service-ST 10A-Traditional Service-ST 11A-Cont. Service-FH		3P-Benevolence				
SBS-Staycation Bible School-SBS-Staycation Bible School-SBS-Staycation Bible School-SBS-Staycation Bible School						
26	27	28	29	30	31	
8AM-Chapel Service-ST 10A-Traditional Service-ST 11A-Cont. Service-FH		3P-Benevolence				

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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

SUNDAY GROUP

OPPORTUNITIES

9A—Nursery, Preschool & K-5th
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)-Parlor
9A—Choir
(mixed gender, mixed age)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

3:30PM—HOMEWORK CLUB
5:00PM—MUSIC
5:30PM—WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL
6:30PM—CHOIR PRACTICE, KIDS KLUB, YOUTH



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