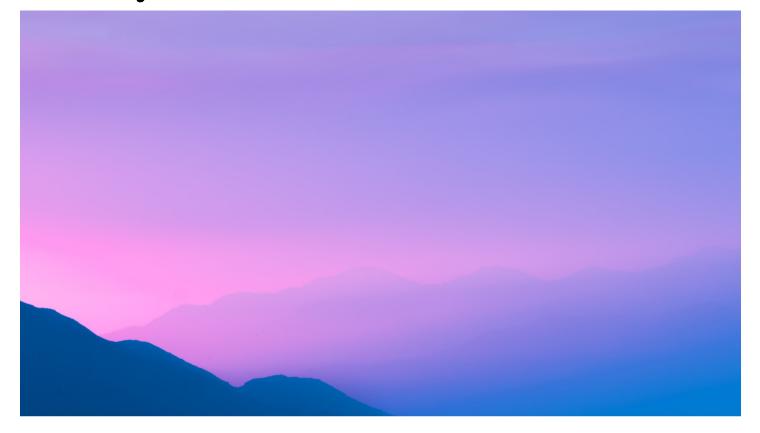
Asbury United Methodist Church

**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 SCHEDULE

3:30-4:30 SNACK/HOMEWORK CLUB 4:30-5:00-Music 5:00-5:30-Kids Club 6:00-7:00-Youth 6:00-7:00-Choir In this Month issue you will find: Jerry's Message.....2 AUMW.....4 Mission & Ministry.....5 KIDMIN.....6 Youth.....8 Calendar.....11

# March Birthdays

Aarush Sanjeev 3/1 Rob McGaw 3/2 Tiffany Yonz 3/4 Susan Bowers 3/4 Austin Haun 3/9 Mary Van Dreal 3/10 David Lamons 3/10 Howie Ripley 3/11 Jermaine Reese 3/12 Sue Southerland 3/12 Beau Nelson 3/14 Alice Russell 3/15 Dylan DeBusk 3/15 Marjorie Davenport 3/16 Sandra Fox 3/17 Ashtyn Hill 3/17 Shade Fillers 3/17 Scott Whitaker 3/21 Kolby Andrew 3/23 Phyllis Bible 3/24 Kathy Arrington 3/24 Terri Lawson 3/25 Ben Brooks 3/26 Tom Smith 3/26 Kenzie Mikan 3/26 Dave Konieczny 3/28 Mirana Smith 3/29



Proverbs 22: 9 Those who are generous are blessed, for they share their bread with the poor.

In January of this year, when it was so very cold, we opened our doors to those in our community who were vulnerable. We partnered with the people from the Care Center and CANOP to open our fellowship hall each day from 8 pm to 6 am. It truly took a village as 11 members of Asbury joined in to stay the night. On the coldest nights, we had 19 people come into the warmth that Asbury offered. Thank you so much to all who helped in providing food, bedding and other necessities.

During this time, we became acquainted with a family: a single mom, an adult daughter, and an adolescent son. This family, like a lot of people who are experiencing insecurities and struggling to make ends meet, got laid off from their jobs. According to the US Interagency Council on Homelessness, more than half of the people today live paycheck to paycheck, meaning they are at risk of becoming unhoused. This family had been leaving in their car. In Greeneville and Greene County, we have students who are considered homeless, and the family resource director does everything they can to help. In getting to know the family, they had resources and were willing to work, but because of the current housing situation in our community, they were really struggling to find housing they could afford.

The church came together and began working with the family to keep them in temporary housing and began to look for a more permanent solution. We finally found an apartment that would work, and after several conversations with the landlord, we arrived at an agreement to allow the family to move in. Many thanks to Tom Cole, who helped facilitate these conversations. But before the family could move in, there were some repairs/updates that needed to be done (see pictures.) People from the church and people from the community came together; Tom Cole, Tom Smith, and John Cash, along with Mark Culbreath and Bob Jones, got to work repairing, painting, and updating the apartment. Several others in the church, including the Sisters by Grace class, have been putting together items to help move in and live in the apartment.

Sisters and Brothers, this is what being the church in our community looks like. Building relationships and working together for the good of those in the community. One of the things that has come from this is that people are beginning to see new ways to be involved and engage in the community. As I think about this coming about in this season of Lent and what that means, I can't help but be encouraged for the future of Asbury United Methodist Church and the church family here.

Blessings, Jerry









# March Anniversaries

Don & Tanna Stansfield 3/5 Bill & Jane Brown 3/7 Jerry & Joy Jones 3/17 John & Brenda Ottinger 3/21 Mike & Patricia Quarles 3/23



# Congregational Care

<u>Living at Home</u> Libby Bible Don & Joyce Hyde Felty & Jean Masengill Betty Mathes

Living at Morning Pointe Marjorie Davenport Winifred Kuper Barbara Serral Mary Van Dreal

> Living at Brookdale Mel Mauck

Living at Signature Bethea Luttrell Asbury United Methodist Women, President Sandy Noonan



We are now in the season of Lent, 40 days of prayer as we prepare to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. For me, this is a time of joy and renewal; a time to celebrate new beginnings and put past mistakes behind us. Easter represents the hope of new life for all believers.

The UMW meeting in February was our first meeting in 2024. We sent our 16 college students a \$10.00 gift card in a unique Christian Valentine. The cards were blank inside which gave us the opportunity to write a note of encouragement to each student. We also collected a generous amount for our Scholarship Fund.

The month of March will be taken up with our Annual Prom Closet, which will be held on March 8 and 9. The UMW ladies passed around sign-up sheets as we volunteered to set up and assist the young ladies with dresses.

Our UMW ladies are also providing the Holy Week Meal, which will be held on Wednesday, March 27. We hope that you and your family will all be able to attend.

 $\cdot$  If you were not able to attend the February meeting but wanted to volunteer to help with the Prom Closet or Holy Week Meal, please contact me or our board members.

Our next UMW meeting with be held Monday, March 4 at 11:30 in the fellowship hall; bring a bag lunch. And since St. Patrick's Day falls in March, let's try to wear something green.

As a future project, we may consider providing assistance to the local Care Center; however, if you have a suggestion about a possible mission project, please contact me or our board members.

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

Blessings, Sandy



**Missions & Ministries** 

Asbury United Methodist Church Annual Prom Closet

> March 8th 4PM-7PM March 9th 10AM-4PM

Enter from the rear parking lot



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Hello, I am Susan Kilday your new Children's Ministry Director. I am so excited to be joining the Asbury team. I am enjoying getting to know all the kids and their parents. I look forward to all the upcoming events and working with everyone. If you have any questions or would like to be more involved with the ministry please feel free to reach out to me. Please find below our schedule of events. And I look forward to seeing you at church.



March 3rd-Communion Sunday, No Children's Church March 3rd– Pop Tarts & Prayers 9Am in Childrens Area March 13th-Spring Break no Wednesday Activities March 24th-Palm Sunday, Children Singing March 27th-Night of Praise March 30th-Easter Egg Hunt 12-2PM March 31st-Easter, Children Singing













## Natasha DeBord Director of Student Ministries







# **Everyone is welcome!**

You're invited to a night of Praise hosted by Asbury UMC's Youth Group and Praise Band.

There will be a nacho bar, some group games, scripture, prayer, music, and an all around good time.

For more information or questions please reach out to Natasha DeBord at 423-798-1050 or debord@asburylife.org.

## We can't wait to worship with you



# March

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Sr. Sunday <sup>3</sup> Meeting 5:00	4	5	Youth <sup>6</sup> 3:00-6:00	7	8	9
10	11	sprin	ng b	real	<b>K</b> <sub>15</sub>	
17	18	19	23:00-6:00	21	22	23
Confirmation 24:00-6:00	25	26	Night of Praise 3:00-7:00	28	Good 29Friday	30
31 Easter!						





















## 2024 Leadership

#### Church council:

**Chairperson Tom Cole** Secretary Susan Bowers Pastor Rev. Jerry Jones Director of **Family Ministries** 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 Children's Council Rep. Lynette Hill Senior Adult Rep. Dinah Seip UMW Rep. Sandy Noonan **ACEC Chairperson Mission Team Chairperson Tom Smith** Trustees **Chairperson Tom Smith** Staff-Parish Chairperson Finance **Chairperson Rodney Bell Evangelism Chairperson John Reviere** 

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

#### Leadership Development/Nominating:

Year 3	Kay Freer			
Year 3	Tee Earl			
Year 3	Marcia Parsons			
Year 2	Phyllis Bible			
Year 2	Rebecca Uhls			
Year 2	Sally Andrew			
Year 1	Sharron Jeffers			
Year 1	Brandon Hull			
Year 1	Emily Whitaker			
Chairperson Rev. Jerry Jones				

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

Year 3 Doris Allen Year 3 Art Masker Year 3 Don Stansfield Year 2 Holly McGaw Year 2 Lynn Reviere Year 1 **Kevin James** Year 1 Dale Landers Year 1 Vicky Cole Year 1 Dr. Rebekah Taylor-Chair Ex-Officio Rev. Jerry Jones

#### **Trustees:**

Year 3 Frank Holzschuh Year 3 John Cash **Rachel Henslev** Year 3 Leslie Allen Year 2 Year 2 Stephanie Hite Year 2 Mike Barnes Year 1 Nellie Metcalf Year 1 Tom Smith-Chair Year 1 David Kilday Ex-Officio Rev. Jerry Jones Ex-Officio Keith Cornwell

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Year 3 Diane Gibson-Chair Year 3 **Brenda Ottinger** Year 3 Janie Laws Year 2 Mary Louise Fisher Year 2 Don Fox Terri Lawson Year 2 Tom Cole Year 1 Kay Freer Year 1 At Large Ex-Officio Rev. Jerry Jones

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#### **Missions Committee:**

Kay Freer John Cash Pat Bradford Lynette Hill

#### **Family Ministries:**

Adult Ministries Coordinator: Susan Holzschuh Benevolence Team Chairperson: Marcia Parson 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: Tom Smith Outreach Ministries: John Cash** Sunday School

Superintendent: Jerry Moore Wood Cutting Ministry: David Andrew

#### March 2024 Disciple Classroom-DC LaRue Classroom-LR Sanctuary-ST Abbreviation Key D&H Brown Classroom-DH Library-LB Sisters By Grace-SG **Boots Bewley-BB** Fellowship Hall-FH Parlor-PL Youth Room-YR Chapel-CH Choir Room-CR John Wesley Class–JWC Prayer Shawl Room-PSR Thursday Friday Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Saturday 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 **8A-Chapel Service** 11:30A-Asbury 5P-Outreach Team 8A-Van Dreal study Prom Closet set up **4P-Prom Closet** 10Am Prom Closet 9A-Sunday School UMW Meeting group 10A- Traditional –ST 4P-Discipleship 5:30P-ACEC Training 10A-Benevolence 11A-Cont. Service-FH **Tema Meeting** 1P-Boy Scout Eagle 5:30P-YOGA 7P-Troop 94 4P-Our Father's Place 13 15 10 14 16 11 12 **8A-Chapel Service** 5:30P-YOGA 5:30P-Trustee 10A-Benevolence Wedding Rehearsal Wedding 9A-Sunday School 7P-Troop 94 Meeting Spring Break No 10A- Traditional –ST 5:30P-ACEC Training Wednesday Activites 11A-Cont. Service-FH 4P-Our Father's Place 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 **8A-Chapel Service** 5:30P-YOGA 8A-Van Dreal study 9A-Sunday School 7P-Troop 94 group 10A- Traditional –ST 10A-Benevolence 11A-Cont. Service-FH 4P-Our Father's Place 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 PALM SUNDAY 5:30P-YOGA 6:30P-Maundy 6:30P-Good Friday 12P-Easter 10A-Benevolence 9A-Sunday School 7P-Troop 94 12P-Holy Wednesday Thursday Celebration 10A- Traditional -ST Meal to follow 11A-Cont. Service-FH **5P-Night of Praise** 4P-Our Father's Place 31 EASTER **8A-Chapel Service** 9A-Sunday School 10A- Traditional -ST 11A-Cont. Service-FH 4P-Our Father's Place

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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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