# Asbury United Methodist Church

# **Monthly Newsletter**

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## October Birthdays

Steve Parsons 10/1 Marty Masker 10/1 Lucy Hebb 10/03 Cameron Landers 10/4 Kim Brown 10/6 William French 10/7 Russell Ottinger 10/7 David Kilday 10/8 Joy Jones 10/8 Herb Whitfield 10/10 Russ Crum 10/11 William Crews 10/12 Ava Richey 10/12 Jake Lasko 10/13 David Uhls 10/14 Suzanne Tuggle 10/16 Freida Wright 10/16 Alexandra Duckworth 10/16 Jon Konieczny 10/17 Anne Marie Konieczny 10/17 Hunter McGaw 10/17 Natalie Ripley 10/20 Dante Smith 10/20 Bradley Wells 10/21 Rachel Hensley 10/21 Linda Evans 10/23 Anna Hall 10/23 Matthew Bowers 10/26 Stephanie Hite 10/27



John 17:9 (NRSV): 9 I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours.

When I am being challenged by life or even having a difficult time understanding things, I turn to the 17th chapter of John. This is John's telling of Jesus' prayer for believers. These words always bring me great comfort. What I understand is that Jesus is praying for each of his followers, all who believe in Him. For me the really powerful part of this prayer is what is going on in Jesus's life as He is praying. In a few moments he is going to be betrayed by a friend, he prayed for that friend. He will be denied by another friend, he prayed for that friend too. The believers that he leaves behind will do great works, he prays for them. Some believers will have great struggles, he prays for them too. Jesus prayed for you and Jesus prayed for me at this moment.

Jesus didn't pray that we would agree, but that we would remain faithful, through trials and struggles. It is safe to say that in my 54 years of life I have not always agreed with people in church. In fact when I was a teenager I openly rebelled in a very public way against some church people who didn't see eye to eye with me about music. We worked through it and they helped me to see their side, and tried to see my side. Jesus said "wherever two or more are gathered in my name there I am." After 30 plus years of appointed ministry I can tell you that wherever three or more are gathered in Jesus' name there will eventually be conflict. It happened in the early church and it is still happening today.

I hope you saw the statement from the Holston conference invitation team in September, you can find the complete statement at this link: <a href="https://www.holston.org/post/17017414">https://www.holston.org/post/17017414</a>

I wanted to share a few of the statements from the post:

We commit to being gracious with one another, attend to one another in prayer, and seek the mind of Christ as we humbly put ourselves toward the task at hand.

We commit to honoring theological and biblical convictions in the appointment making process. We will identify new systems and improve long standing practices to accomplish this.

We commit to seeking paths for a gracious exit beyond General Conference 2024 for congregations that wait and then discover that their relationship with The United Methodist Church is no longer tenable.

We commit to focusing our efforts on discipleship and shared mission.

To this end I hope you will join me in praying for our Sisters and Brothers just as Jesus did. I also want to let you know about a great opportunity in the Mountain View District at 1st UMC in Morristown on Tuesday, October 11, 2022. All Laity and Ministers are invited to spend time with Bishop Deborah Wallace-Padgett from 6-8pm.

In conclusion I hope you took time to look at the fall quarterly calendar that you received in the mail. There are some really great opportunities for you to reconnect in person with your Asbury family, and bring a friend. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Blessings, Jerry

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#### **Church Maintenance Updates-Keith Cornwell**

# **October Anniversaries**

John & Mary Louise Fisher 10/14 David & Kandice Baker 10/16 Lee & Lori Duckworth 10/17 Jimmy & Lynette Hill 10/22











# Congregational Care

Living at Home
Libby Bible
Bea Jennings
Don & Joyce Hyde
Jo Beth Lee
Louise Love
Felty & Jean Masengill
Buck & Betty Mathes

Living at Morning Pointe
Marjorie Davenport
Winifred Kuper
Pat Logan
Barbara Serral

Living at Brookdale
Mel Mauck

Living at Signature
Tedo Southerland
Bethea Luttrell

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

#### From the Church Office Administrator; Susan Bowers

Hello Asbury Family,

Well, Fall came right in and Summer clocked out right on schedule. I for one welcome the cooler temps. We have continued our Welcome Home Invites this month and sent out over 400 invitations to new families in Greeneville.

You also should have or will receive your 3rd quarter statements and with those you will have received a quarterly calendar with all the exciting events we have planned for the rest of the year. You can also find that calendar on our website.

Advent is just around the corner!

Our Fall Festival was rained out by the hurricane on the East Coast. Hopefully we will get that rescheduled for this year, if not we will try again next year.

Blessings & Peace, Susan

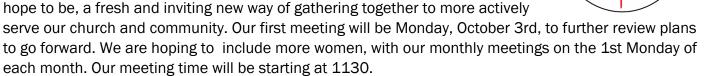
#### The People Enjoying People (PEP) Club!

Mrs. Dinah Seip has been excited about getting the PEP club started back. They will meet on Thursday Oct.6th at 10Am in the church library. The purpose of the this meeting is to determine the best day and time fro those interested in participating. There will be card and board games followed by lunch at a local restaurant of the participants choosing. If you are interested or would like more information please contact Mrs. Seip or the church office.

#### **Asbury United Methodist Women, President Sally Andrew**

#### New and Improved Asbury United Methodist Women

As we begin a new meeting year as the "Asbury Untied Methodist Women." Your current officers are excitedly putting together ideas and plans for what we hope to be, a fresh and inviting new way of gathering together to more actively



We encourage everyone interested to join us on October 3rd as we begin with our "New and Improved" format. We are looking forward to sharing fellowship and kick off our new AUMC year.

Each month will be focused on a specific mission. For October, we will take up an incidental offering to help cover the cost of our ongoing missions.

We have prayerfully and mindfully entered into these decisions in hopes of renewing our commitment to finding ways of serving our Lord as faithful United Methodist Women.

We want to encourage you to also invite friends, neighbors, and any woman who would like to be a part of our group.

Love in Christ Sally







# Asbury Night with TU Bowling Team October 10 6 pm Join us for a evening of bowling, pizza, and fellowship with the Tusculum University Bowling Team





## **ASBURY FAMILY PICNIC 2022**























### Wednesday Night Life

Wednesday Night Meals

October 5-Youth Soups, Crackers, Dessert

> October 12 Fall Break No Meal

October 19-Praise Band
Breakfast and Pastries

October 26-KIDMIN Chili, Crackers, Dessert

Notice that the meal cost will change this year. Family Cap: \$35 Adults: \$8

Children 3-11: \$5 Younger than 3: Free

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.





This months items needed:

Girls Leggings(black), Sweatshirts, boys sweatshirts & sweatpants, PJ's boys & girls, lice treatment kits, dishwashing pods.

#### **Food Bank Needs**

This month needs are **Powered Milk**. The collection container is in the Library.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

#### **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**

This month needs are Letter & Photo, No toothpaste or candy. Collection box in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for supporting this ministry.



#### **2nd Mile Local Assistance**

When you give to Asbury UMC and designate "Local Assistance," you make it possible for us to meet or supplement a wide variety of needs in our community including the work of our Benevolence Team.

#### **Local Mission Ministry**

When you give to this ministry, you are supporting your Mission Team that helps the community with construction needs.



#### **Mary and Joseph Projects**

Personal hygiene items for young women & men in the local school systems are needed for these on-going projects. Place items in the cabinet outside the Fellowship Hall.



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!





## Greene County Thanksgiving Outreach

Praise the Lord! The annual Greene County Thanksgiving Outreach meal is back on this year! With that being said Asbury has once again agreed to collect the needed meal items. Things have changed a little this year, only green beans, mashed potatoes, and cakes will be provided.

Green beans are the large #10 cans and cakes are sheet cake , 9x13 size. As for the potatoes, we will continue to do as we have in t he past. We will order mashed potatoes from Sysco. If you wish to donate towards the cost of these, \$31 a box, please make check payable to AUMC and in Memo write Thanksgiving Outreach. If you wish to donate green beans or cakes to this wonderful community mission, please sign up in one of the worship spaces, your Sunday school class, call the church office, or see Mrs. Kim. All items are due by November 18. If you have questions, please see Mrs. Kim.







#### **KIDMIN October Happenings** ASBURY NIGHT AT BOWLING ACOLYTES SUNDAYS IN KIDMIN POPTARTS & PRAYERS 9-940 OCTOBER 2 JANIYAH & AARUSH OCTOBER 10 OCTOBER 9 AALA & MRS. KIM 6-730 OM **FAMILY WORSHIP** OCTOBER 16 ADDI & SHADE **OLYMPIA LANES** OCTOBER 2 OCTOBER 23 KHLOE & BLAKLEY OCTOBER 30 CAROLINA & MICAH **NO WEDNESDAY ACTIVITIES ASBURY AT FENDER'S FARM** OCTOBER 12-FALL BREAK OCTOBER 23 **WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS** 2 PM 330-600 **3RD GRADER BIBLE PRESENTATION** K-5TH GRADE TRUNK OR TREAT OCTOBER 23 6-7 KIDS KLUB 10 AM WORSHIP 3 YEARS - 5TH GRADE OCTOBER 26 6PM **BACK PARKING LOT**



**Trunk or Treat** 

October 26 6 pm

**Back parking lot** 

## **ASBURY KIDMIN NIGHT OF PUTT-PUTT**



























# Natasha DeBord Director of Student Ministries



The time is flying by so quickly! Last month was pretty uneventful as we got back into the swing of things. We have spent lots of time together as a group talking about school and life and going back to the basics of what the Bible is. We have been diving deep into the foundations of what we find between the covers from glossing over the different translations to the different genres to how does learning this impact our daily lives. (We are using a series called *Fathom: A Deep Dive into the Story of God* for this.) It has been a lot of fun! The youth have been very engaging asking questions and giving very well thought out answers. I don't think they wanted to believe me when I told them this stuff (learning about the Bible) is exciting and leaves you wanting to know more! But they believe me now. Sunday night youth has been a little bit slow to come back. If you have, or know of a youth, please encourage them to come participate in the activities, food, and lesson! On Sunday evenings we are utilizing a curriculum called *Grow* which allows us to engage scripture in a way that can speak to the life we are living now.

This month we have lots of exciting things planned! We will have a Trunk-or-Treat set up at church on the 26<sup>th</sup> where the youth will decorate a car and hand out candy. We also have our annual family trip to Fender's Farm on the 23<sup>rd</sup> (more information to come). And then of course we will close out the month with a fun party for all our youth to come together and enjoy dressing up, eating candy and sweets, playing games, and just have a laid-back night. Fall is my favorite season and I'm so excited I get to share it with our youth!

And as always, if you would like to contribute to our youth group, there are various ways you can do that! If you have been attending Asbury for longer than 6 months, you may volunteer your time during a lesson/event, volunteer to be a guest speaker, you can donate a meal, pray for our kids, truly the possibilities are endless! If you have any questions, concerns, or would like to help, please don't hesitate to reach out to me or the church office.

-Natasha

































#### 2022 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 Shelby Sullivan

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 Lori Duckworth

Finance

Chairperson Rodney Bell

#### **Finance Committee:**

Chairperson Rodney Bell

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Staff-Parish

Chairperson Lori Duckworth Stewardship Chair Bob Leonard

Lay Leader TBD

Leadership Team

Chairperson Bill Brown Lay Member to AC Shelby Sullivan

. At-Large

Year 3 Brian Allen Year 3 Maynard Austin Year 2 Vicky Cole

Year 2 Lennie Lawson

Year 1 Buddy Yonz

Year 1 Chuck Whitfield

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

Year 3 Phyllis Stansfield

Year 3 Bettye Ann Bewley

Year 3 Dawn Wright

Year 2 Judy Reviere

Year 2 John Cash

Year 2 Art Masker Year 1 Kay Freer

Year 1 Tee Earl

Year 1 Marcia Parsons

Chairperson Rev. Jerry Jones

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

Year 3 Lori Duckworth-Chair

Year 3 Cindy Bowman

Year 3 Sandra Fox

Year 2 Marjorie Bullen

Year 2 Rebecca Taylor

Year 2 Jim Seip

Year 1 Doris Allen

Year 1 Art Masker

Year 1 Don Stansfield

Ex-Officio Rev. Jerry Jones

#### Trustees:

Year 3 Dave Wright

Year 3 Phyllis Bible

Year 3 Pat Bradford

Year 2 John Loven

Year 2 Tom Cole-Chair

Year 2 Tom Smith-Chair

Year 1 Frank Holzschuh

Year 1 John Cash

Year 1 Rachel Hensley

Ex-Officio Rev. Jerry Jones

Ex-Officio 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

#### **Family Ministries:**

**Adult Ministries** 

Coordinator: Susan Holzschuh

Benevolence Team

Chairperson: Vicky Cole

Boy Scouts Representative: Art Masker Camping Advocates: Emily & Scott Whitaker 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: Bettye Hayes

Sunday School Superintendent: Jerry Moore

Restoration Depot Chairperson: TBD

Wood Cutting Ministry: David Andrew

# October

2022

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

Choir Room-CR	1	John Wesley Class–JWC Prayer Shawi Koom-PSK				
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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8A-Chapel Service 9A-Sunday School	11:30A-AUMW Meeting		8A-Van Dreal study group	10A-PEP Club		
10A- Traditional –ST 11A-Cont. Service-FH	7P-Troop 94		10A-Benevolence 3:30P-Homework Club			
5:30P Asbury Youth			5P-WNM			
			6P-Group Activities			
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
8A-Chapel Service 9A-Sunday School	7P-Troop 94 6P-Bowling w/	5:30P-Trustee Meeting	10A-Benevolence NO WNM			
10A- Traditional –ST	Tusculum	eu.ig				
11A-Cont. Service-FH 5:30P Asbury Youth						
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
8A-Chapel Service 9A-Sunday School	7P-Troop 94		8A-Van Dreal study group		GHS Football Meal	
10A- Traditional –ST			10A-Benevolence			
11A-Cont. Service-FH 4P— Church Picnic			3:30P-Homework Club 5P-WNM			
5:30P Asbury Youth			6P-Group Activities			
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
8A-Chapel Service 9A-Sunday School	7P-Troop 94		10A-Benevolence 3:30P-Homework Club			
10A- Traditional –ST			5P-WNM			
11A-Cont. Service-FH 2P-Fenders Farm			6P-Trunk or Treat			
5:30P Asbury Youth						
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8A-Chapel Service 9A-Sunday School	Happenings					
10A- Traditional –ST						
11A-Cont. Service-FH 5:30P Asbury Youth						
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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)

#### **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)

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE

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



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