

## The Asbury Connection

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John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.



Jesus shares these words with his disciples in the gospel of John as they are gathering around the table for the last time. Jesus went on to share with the disciples His relationship with God was now their relationship with God because of their relationship with Jesus. This means that for those who follow Christ we follow in His way, His Truth, and His Life. I have come to see as one of the great challenges of my life is living, truth in all ways. And yet this is clearly Jesus' expectation for His disciples. To think of not just speaking truthfully but living truthfully in all ways.

Paul takes it a step farther with the church in Corinth and implores them to imitate him as he is their father in the gospel. That's how we first learn; we imitate what we see others doing. I think this is probably the biggest challenge to education right now as people deal with distance and virtual learning. This has had a serious impact on the ability to learn through imitation. The student only gets sound bites to learn and follow, they are not afforded the opportunity of living life with their teacher. In other words, a student in the classroom benefits from their teacher not just during instruction but as they interact all day long. The disciples followed and watched and lived with Jesus for three years. Learning through imitation and instruction.

As we move into the fall of 2020; with the political season ramping up, the school year starting in unprecedented times, I thought it might be a good time to look at truthful or truth-filled living. To think not only of how we live our lives in public when people are watching but also in private when we think no one can see. To think of speaking truthfully, but with compassion and love. In Mark 10:17-22, a rich man comes to Jesus wanting to know what he must do to inherit eternal life. Jesus saw his heart and loved him. He responded with truth and the man went away sad. This story is perhaps Jesus' greatest example of truth-filled living. How hard is it to see someone who is doing their best, and to share with them in love and truth what they need to do to improve? The answer is really hard!

I invite you to join us in September as we examine truthful and truth-filled living in Christ. Each Sunday we will look at a different example from scripture and seek to put it to work in our daily lives. We will visit with the Rich young man, the Syrophoenician woman, the disciples, and spend time looking at the justice of the gospel. This will be a challenging time for each of us and I encourage you to find a partner to begin this journey with you.

Blessings, Jerry

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## **September Birthdays**

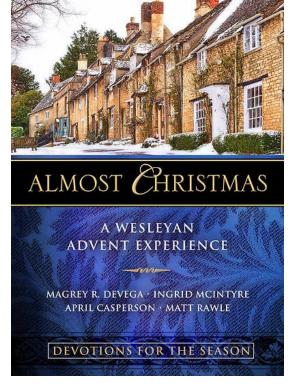
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We may be able to have a group viewing if we have enough interested. If you are interested in a viewing at the church in the Fellowship Hall, please contact Natasha DeBord at the church.

\*\*\*\*this is 7PM our time.

Thinking ahead to advent. If anyone is interested in a Devotional for the season please contact the church office.



#### From the UMW President Sally Andrew



Hello Ladies,

I hope September finds you all well. We all have missed the meetings and togetherness. As we are sill in uncertain circumstances, we are still not able to gather in person at this time. I would encourage you to reach out to the members of our UMW and check on each other weekly.

The District Meeting has been set for November 7th and will be a virtual online meeting. If you are interested please contact me. If there is enough interest we may be able to gather in a small group of less than 10 people to watch it. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you, Sally Andrew President



Beginning September 2, meals will be prepared and delivered or will be available for drive-thru pick-up, for our elderly and homebound members. If you would like to be on this special list please contact the church office.

To make this Ministry a success, we need delivery drivers. If you feel led to assist, please contact Mrs. Judy, 972-5946.

## September Anniversaries

Joe & Ann McInturff 9/1
Frank & Bea Jennings 9/2
John & Joy McGuffin 9/3
Bob & Sue Southerland 9/5
Tom & Rebecca Brown 9/7
Daniel & Rachel Elliot 9/7
Dustin & Natasha DeBord 9/19
Doug & Christy Debusk 9/25
Tim & Wendy Cross 9/27
Randy & Cindy Rumbley 9/28

## Congregational Care

#### **Living at Home**

- •Libby Bible
- Orland Britton
- Carolyn Galloway
- •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

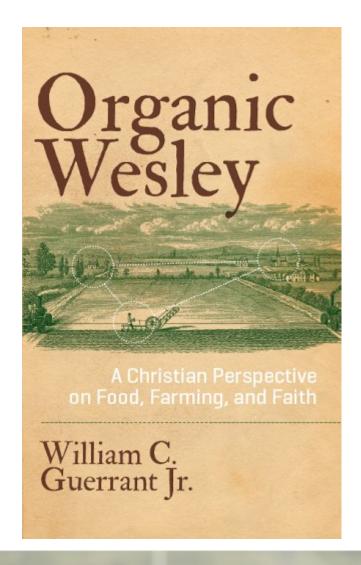
#### **Living at Signature**

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.



Are there moral, spiritual, and religious implications to our food choices?

## **Sundays @ 4:30**

(starting September 6th)

A Zoom book study open to anyone, anywhere, any age.

email Natasha for more information (debord@asburylife.org)

Asbury UMC Student Ministries

#### **Asbury Missions/Family Ministries**





As Hurricane season is upon us, we would like to encourage you to collect the need items for UMCOR Cleaning Buckets & Hygiene Kits. There will be a need for these to replenish the UMCOR warehouse after each disaster effects our sister churches. You may bring your bucket/kit and drop off at the church Monday, Friday, 9am - 5 pm. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Kim.

Thank you for your ongoing support of missions here at Asbury!

#### **Hygiene Kit Materials**

- 1 Hand towel (No kitchen, cleaning or microfiber towels)
- 1 Washcloth
- 1 Comb (No pocket combs, must be sturdy)
- 1 Toenail or fingernail clipper
- 1 Bath size soap (3 oz or larger)
- 1 Adult toothbrush (Do not remove from package)
- 10 Adhesive bandages (3/4 x 3")

#### Common household bandages acceptable

Include \$3.00 for shipping donation

1 Gallon re-sealable bag

#### Assembly Instructions

Lay hand towel flat.

Lay washcloth in the center of hand towel.

Place all remaining items on top of washcloth, except plastic bag.

Fold the sides of the hand towel to cover the items.

Grasp the bundle tightly and roll over the remainder of the towel. Place the tightly rolled bundle in the

plastic bag, remove air, & seal.

#### **Cleaning Kit Materials**

- 1 Five gallon bucket with lid
- 1 32-64 oz bottle laundry detergent
- 1 16-40 oz bottle liquid household cleaner

#### (No spray cleaners)

- 1 16-34 oz bottle of dish soap
- 1 4-8 oz pump spray air freshner
- 1 6-14 oz pump spray insect repellent with protective cover
- 1 Scrub brush
- 24 roll of heavy duty trash liners
- 18 Re-useable wipes (Remove from package)

#### (No microfiber or paper towels)

- 5 Scouring pads-No stainless steel pads with soap (Remove from package)
- 36-50 Clothespins
- 1 50-100 ft Clothesline
- 5 N95 Dust masks (Can be found at Lowe's)
- 2 pairs kitchen work gloves-Durable for multiple
- 1 pair work gloves-cotton with leather palm or all leather
- Include \$3.00 for shipping donation

#### Kim Brown, Director of Family Ministries





#### KIDMIN HAPPENINGS

Asbury KIDMIN kicked off our group fellowship event in August with a night of dancing' and popsicles. Proper social distancing was followed, thanks to hula hoops as our individual space makers. We will continue our activities in this manner until we are allowed to gather in large groups once again.

#### Moments with Mrs. Kim

During this time of craziness, God has opened my eyes to so many ways we can help those outside the church. It has become so apparent to me of the need in our church and our community to be the hands and feet of Christ. Yes, Asbury has always been a mission orientated church, but I am talking about helping in ways we have never helped before. Ways to make life easier on those struggling, ways to build a child's self esteem, bringing a smile to a parent or guardian's face seeing the progress in their child or grandchild because the church has "stepped up" outside of the building. So, yes, during this time of "not so" normal church, I have prayed and asked God to show me how he wants to use me and bring others to Christ. So, I ask you to pray and look outside the church building and see what you can do to make a difference in someone's life. Be the church!

# PARKING LOT PARABLES

September 13
6:30 pm
Back Parking Lot
Families will need to preregister by September 9



















#### **Natasha DeBord, Director of Student Ministries**



## **September Events**

2nd-- Youth in-person
water event
6th-- Bible Study
13th-- Bible Study
16th-- Youth in-person
event
20th-- Bible Study
25th-- New Room
Conference
30th-- Youth in-person
event

September 2020										
Sun	MON	TUE	WED	Тни	FRI	SAT				
		1	YOUTH 6:00 2	3	4	5				
Zoom 6:30	7	8	9	10		12				
ZOOM 6:30	14	15	YOUTH 6:00	17	18	19				
ZOOM 6:30 20	21	22	23	24	NEW ROOM 7:00 25	26				
27	28	29	YOUTH 6:00 30							

\*\*Youth must wear a mask for in-person events. If they do not have one, we will provide one.\*\*

I am so excited to be able to have youth group in person again! Our first event will involve water so please make sure to bring a towel and change of clothes. There will be more information about the other events put out via Remind so keep an eye out for it.

We will also be continuing our Zoom Bible study. This month the theme is *So That You Could See*. We will be following the life of Paul as he goes from being a disciple-hunter to a disciple-maker. If you are unable to make it at 6:30, or you're running late, please sign on and jump in still! The other thing happening on Sunday's is another Bible Study I'm leading called *Organic Wesley* that is open to anyone so you're invited!

The last thing I want to talk about is the New Room Conference. This is a virtual event that will have a time or worship, a speaker, some talents, and prayer. The conference is open to anyone who wishes to attend. You are invited to this as well!! If you need more information, or would like to sign up for it let me know. I am also willing to make this a youth event for group viewing if there is interest in it.



### **Asbury Child Enrichment Center**





Ashlyn is the teacher of the month!
Ashlyn is loving and really
cares for the children!
Thank you
Ashlyn for all of your hard work!
And thank you to all of our teachers
and staff here at ACEC.



#### PLEASE READ!!!

If your child arrives after 9:00 a.m., please make sure they have already ate breakfast. If food is brought in after 9:00 they will have to save it for lunch or afternoon snack. This is due to having lack of child supervision.

Happy Grandparents Day!! September 13, 2020



#### Birthdays:

Ezra Robinette 9-02 Natalia Lewis 9-06 Tristan McAfee 9-08 Julia Staggs 9-10 Maci Cedillo 9-11 Blakelynn Miller 9-13 Mason Landeck 9-30 Evelyn Williams 9-27



ACEC Will be closed September 7, 2020 to observe Labor Day!!



ACEC IS IN NEED OF SUBTITUTES!

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

### REMINDERS

•ACEC Board is in the process of making a decision on the Fall Consignment Sale. As soon a decision is made I will let our families know.

Grandparents Day Tea is CANCELED

## REMEMBER!!!!

If your child has a temperature of 100

degree or higher, your child will be sent home. Please keep your children home if the 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

## 2020 Leadership

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.

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Director of

Student Ministries Natasha DeBord

Director of

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Director of Contemporary

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Lay Member to

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Chairperson Rob Brown

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Lay Leader TBD

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Chairperson Lee Duckworth Lay Member to AC Shelby Sullivan

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Year 2 Maynard Austin
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Year 1 TBD

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**Family Ministries:** 

**Adult Ministries** 

Coordinator: Susan Holzschuh

Benevolence Team Chairperson: Joe McInturff

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Witness Ministry Chairperson: David Andrew
Wood Cutting Ministry: David Andrew

# September

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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
			6P-Youth Water Day			
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
10A Traditional Online 11A-Cont. Service— Outdoor 6:30P-Youth Zoom		3P-Benevolence				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10A Traditional Online 11A-Cont. Service– Outdoor 6:30P-KIDMIN Fellowship 6:30P-Youth Zoom 6:30P-Parking Lot Parables		3P-Benevolence	6P-YOUTH			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
10A Traditional Online 11A-Cont. Service— Outdoor 5:30P-Youth Zoom		3P-Benevolence			7P-NEW ROOM	
27	28	29	30			
10A Traditional Online 11A-Cont. Service— Outdoor 6:30P-Youth Zoom		3P-Benevolence	6Р-ҮОИТН			

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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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