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Making Disciples for the Transformation of the World by Loving God, Growing Together, Reaching Out

September Birthdays

Meg Butler 9/1 Anastasia Smith 9/3 Max Morelock 9/4 Sharla Burtler 9/6 Jean Sterling 9/6 Abby Lawson 9/8 Mischelle Johnson 9/8 Addie Leach 9/8 John Ottinger 9/9 Nellie Metcalfe 9/9 Abby Whitakaer 9/10 Missy Crouch 9/11 Jo Beth Lee 9/12 Avery Inscore 9/12 Lori Duckworth 9/13 Paige Hull 9/15 Jeff Taylor 9/15 Lincoln Taylor 9/16 Alyssa Davis 9/17 Ada Fillers9/17 Janiyah Smith 9/17 Kay Freer 9/19 Carson Quick 9/19 Georgiahnah French 9/19 Lee Duckworth 9/120 Becki McInturff 9/20 Katie Riley 9/20 Waverly Smith 9/21 John Cash St. 9/22 Tom Brown 9/22 Mickey Ellis 9/23 Marcia Parsons 9/24 Richard Jeffers 9/25 Larry Akins 9/26 Barbara Colby 9/26 Dinah Seip 9/27 Aidan Inscore 9/29 Eliza Taylor 9/30 Teresa Bowman 9/30



Micah 6:8 He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

This scripture was laid on my heart as I got ready for annual conference this year. Then this morning as a friend talked to me about his dismay over a restaurant closing, I was reminded of it again. The prophet Micah is trying to help God's people understand what God is calling them to do. In the very next verse he addresses cheating in business and the evils of being dishonest. Consider it this way: God gave Moses 10 commandments; in order to fully understand the priest stretched mosaic law to 613; then David reduced it to 11 in Psalm 15; Micah takes the 11 down to 3; and Jesus takes the three to 1 (or two if you need to be reminded to love your neighbor, which we apparently do.)

I want to lift a word to you, Compassion! What does it mean?

From: The Evangelical dictionary of biblical theology

Compassion. That (human) disposition that fuels acts of kindness and mercy. Compassion, a form of love, is aroused within us when we are confronted with those who suffer or are vulnerable. Compassion often produces action to alleviate the suffering, but sometimes geographical distances or lack of means prevent people from acting upon their compassionate feelings. Compassion is not a uniquely Christian response to suffering (cf. Exod. 2:6; Luke 10:33), even though Christians have unique reasons for nurturing their compassionate dispositions.

Compassion is really what Micah was talking about. Jesus lives out compassion as Matthew reminds us in chapters 9 and 14 when "Jesus" had compassion for them. He was moved by their plight. He sees them as "harassed and helpless." Jesus is then moved to compassion for the people. Did you notice that when Jesus tries to describe what compassion looks like he has to bring in an outsider to demonstrate it? In Luke 10 it is the Samaritan that does the right thing and demonstrates compassion, not the priest or the temple worker.

This seems to be an ongoing issue for the church. Even John Wesley had to put his spin on it. "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can." The church in Wesley's time had forgotten their calling to be God's people. He wanted to remind them. Do Good!

Everyday we face hundreds if not thousands of choices to do good. Sometimes we say yes! Sometimes we say no, but we always have excellent excuses. From David, Micah and Jesus there really are no excuses, doing good is the expectation. This is how we know we are following God!

Blessings, Jerry

Ber Derald Sun

Church Maintenance Updates-Keith Cornwell



Our fridge is back in working order. The sanctuary cooling units have been repaired, but still need some work. The youth room got some minor repairs done this month as well. The stairwell in the chapel has got some water damage and will be repaired soon. Skyline is scheduled to resume work soon. Looking forward to fall and some cooler temps.

Keith

Dates to watch!

September 16th: Tusculum College Workday

September 18th: Church Picnic- Tusculum Park Pavilion

September 25th: Prayer Service

October 1st: Fall Festival

October 2nd: World Communion

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 Bea Jennings 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.



Hello all,

Welcome to fall! Before we know it winter and the Advent Season will be here. I hope you are all doing well. We are still moving along with our Welcome Home Mailing list. We have currently sent out over 900 invitations to new families moving to the area. We look forward to seeing the outcome from our working with the Greeneville Sun.

We still have Car Decals for sale, for \$1 a piece, see me in the church office or on Wednesday night at the cashiers table.

Pat Bradford's church wide yard sale was a huge success. They cleared over \$3000 that went toward our five year work plan.

Save the date for our Fall Festival , Oct 1st, 11-5, and make plans to come out and enjoy some great fellowship.

Susan



From the Church Office Administrator; Susan Bowers

Asbury United Methodist Women, President Sally Andrew

"Attention, Attention"

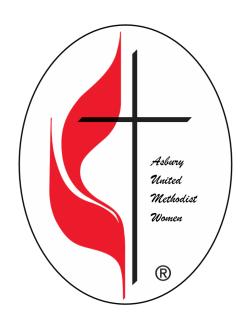
We are about to begin a new year as the "Asbury Untied Methodist Women." Your current officers met on Wednesday, August 24th, and we are excitedly putting together ideas and plans for what we hope to be, a fresh and inviting new way of gathering together to more actively serve our church and community. We have decided to delay our first meeting until Monday, October 5th, to further review plans to go forward. To hopefully include more women, we are changing our monthly meetings to the 1st Monday of each month.

We are changing our format from the traditional "meeting" to a time of fellowship, prayer, and an emphasis on hands-on mission projects. Our leadership is also going to have a new look as we go to a board of directors approach. All of the changes will be explained at our October 5th meeting. We encourage any feedback, and possible suggestions, as we move forward. Especially ideas for mission projects.

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.

More information will be coming in the next month's newsletter. Be sure to mark your calendar for our Monday, October 5th meeting.

Love in Christ Sally







Wesley Prayer Challenge

"I am no longer my own, but thine.

Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low for thee. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen."

Wednesday Night Life

Wednesday Night Meals

September 7 Baked Ziti, Salad, Bread, Dessert

September 14 Hamburgers, Chips, Baked Beans, Dessert

> September 21 Taco Salad Bar Dessert

September 28 Upside Down Pizza, Salad, 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: Diapers size 4, Men's Med underwear, individual snacks, clean supplies, soda.

Food Bank Needs

This month needs are oatmeal or dry ceral. The collection container is in the Library. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

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



By giving to puzzle pieces,

you can help our support

and their caregivers.

group for those with autism

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 ur home-bound and Meals on Wheels partnership

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Drop off unwanted material at the church office









Asbury College Students

There are few of our college students we have not received new addresses for or confirmed they have same address. If you are unsure, please reach out to Mrs. Kim or the church office.

If there is a college student in your life you would like to add to our "College Student" Prayer list, please let us know. Kim Brown, Director of Family Ministries











KIDMIN SEPTEMB	ER HAPPENINGS			
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K-5TH GRADE	SEPTEMBER 4 TUCKER & TATUM			
3-5 SNACK/HOMEWORK 5-6 FELLOWSHIP MEAL 6-7 KIDS KLUB	SEPTEMBER 11 ADDI & KHLOE SEPTEMBER 18 CAROLINA & SHADE			
3 YEARS - 5TH GRADE	SEPTEMBER 25 JANIYAH & BLAKLEY			







Natasha DeBord Director of Student Ministries



School is back in the swing of things as well as youth. August was fun! We started Wonderful Wednesdays back, dove into our lessons surrounding what it means to be a catalyst, and even had the opportunity for some food, fun, and fellowship with other UMC youth in our area. Our group has been inviting friends who ask if they can come back, and our kids who are driving are still coming!! Amid uncertainty (which seems like a constant state right now), I am still certain that our youth are going to change the world for the better. And it makes me excited to know we get to be part of that.

This year we are continuing to utilize a curriculum called Grow Students. It's very easy to adapt to what we need and gives plethora of resources to use. In August the lessons were focused on what a catalyst is. If you are unsure, a catalyst is something that causes a reaction to happen without being consumed in the process. We used this word to ask the following questions: Who are the catalysts in our lives? How have they influenced our faith journey? Have we been a catalyst in others' lives? How can we be a catalyst for others in their faith journey? I didn't think about how important it was to not only acknowledge, but also to understand who and how people have impacted our faith. I encourage you to do the same! And when you see one of our youth, or anyone really, ask them who the catalysts in their faith have been.

A few reminders for the month of September:

Sunday youth schedule:

4:30-5:15: 6th-9th grade

Youth will be preparing, serving, and cleaning up after the meal on Sept. 7th.

Youth Leadership will have a meeting on Sept. 4th at 4:00 before the meal.

Resurrection deposits are \$35 due Sept. 28th. After this cut off the deposit goes up to \$45.

Youth will meet each Sunday and Wednesday in September EXCEPT for Sept. 4th.

**And a quick reminder that our Sunday youth times have changed. The Sunday youth schedule is as follows:

4:30-5:15—lesson for grades 6th-9th

5:15-6:00—combined meal and game (grades 6th-12th)

6:00-7:00—lesson for 10th-12th grades

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¹⁸ Youth 4:00-6:00	19	20	²¹ Youth 3:00-7:00	22	23	24
²⁵ Youth 4:30-7:00	26	27	²⁸ Youth 3:00-7:00	29	30	



Sept. 7th- Youth hosting Wed. night meal

Sept. 11th- NO YOUTH

Sept. 14th- Youth Youth Leadership Meeting 4-5

Sept. 18th- Church Picnic (For the whole family)

Sept. 21st-Youth

Sept. 25th- Youth

Septs. 28th- Youth

*Natasha will be on vacation from Sept. 9th-17th. There will be someone to fill in for those scheduled youth meetings.









































2022 Leadership

Church council:

Chairperson	Bill Brown
Secretary	Susan Bowers
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Director of	
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Director of	
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Director of	
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Lay Leader	
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Lay Member to	
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Chairperson	Rodney Bell

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Chairperson Rev. Jerry Jones

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Stan-Fai	ish kelations committee.
Year 3	Lori Duckworth-Chair
Year 3	Cindy Bowman
Year 3	Sandra Fox
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Year 2	Rebecca Taylor
Year 2	Jim Seip
Year 1	Doris Allen
Year 1	Art Masker
Year 1	Don Stansfield
Ex-Offici	o Rev. Jerry Jones
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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-Offici	o Rev. Jerry Jones
Ex-Offici	o Ex-Officio Keith Cornwell
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Year 3	Jessica McAfee
Year 3	Dusty Click
Year 3	Abby Lawson –Board Chair
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Year 2	Brenda Ottinger
Year 2	Janie Laws

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- 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

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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



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 2022

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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
8A-Chapel Service 9A-Sunday School 10A- Traditional –ST 11A-Cont. Service-FH 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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18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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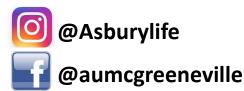
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Sunday Worship Schedule

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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