

WHY THE CROSS?

Scripture: *Romans 3:25-26 and Galatians 3:13-14*

The Reason: The _____

He died _____

Christmas is more popular than Easter because people don't have a Biblical view of _____

John 3:18

Holiness is God's attribute that uniquely sets Him _____ from humans. In Biblical terms the word means: _____

The Christian doctrine of Atonement deals with the _____ between God and man.

The Biblical answer to this dilemma is the _____ of Jesus.

Read: Isaiah 59:2 / Romans 6:23 / Matthew 25:44

Four Truths in Christ's Atonement

1. It _____ Satan's power. (1 Corinthians 15:56-57)
2. Jesus' atonement provides us the great _____
3. The atonement reveals God's _____. (1 John 4:10-11 + 19)
4. The atonement satisfies the _____ of our redemption.

Romans 5:9 / Isaiah 53:5 / 1 John 2:2

How Can We Appropriate His Atonement?

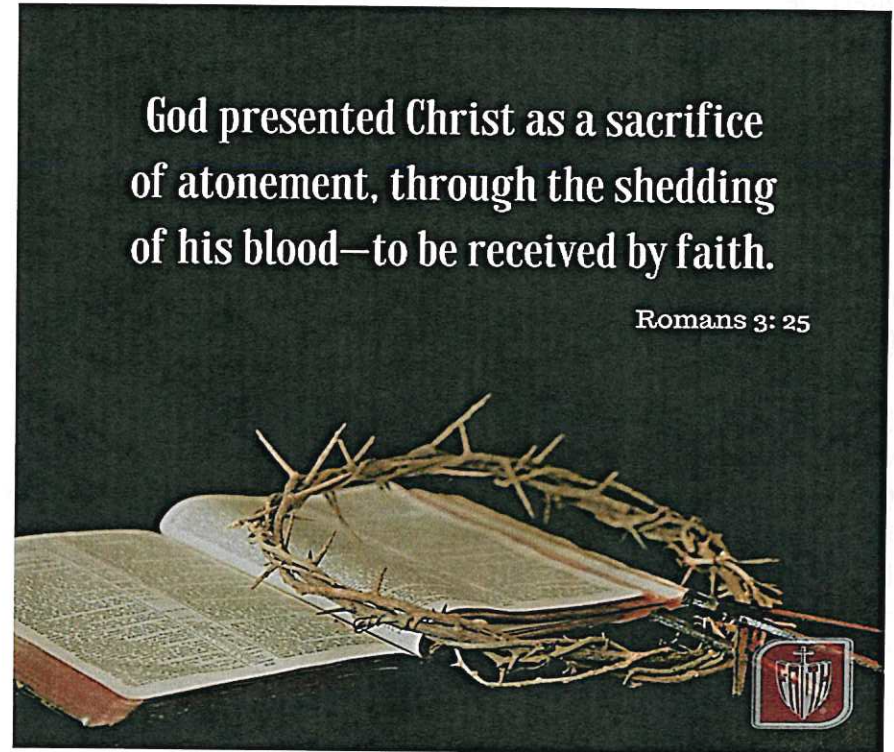
1. _____ (John 3:36)
2. _____ (John 1:12)
3. _____ (2 Corinthians 7:9-10)
4. _____ (Romans 10:9-10)

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*Making disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.*

God presented Christ as a sacrifice
of atonement, through the shedding
of his blood—to be received by faith.

Romans 3: 25



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Chapman Chapel Service

3RD Sunday of Advent

Max Bovee – Worship Leader

Lynn Morgan – Organist

(* Please stand as you are able.)

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP (UNISON) #481

*HYMN: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" #384
(Verses 1,3 & 4)

*RESPONSIVE READING: "Consider His Great Love"

(L) Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

(P) Let the redeemed of the Lord say this – those he redeemed from the hand of the foe.

(L) Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men.

(P) He turned the desert into pools of water and the parched ground into flowing springs;

(L) There he brought the hungry to live.

(P) They sowed fields and planted vineyards that yielded a fruitful harvest.

(L) He blessed them, and their numbers greatly increased.

(P) He lifted the needy out of their affliction and increased their families like flocks.

(L) The upright see and rejoice.

(P) Whoever is wise, let him consider the great love of the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 3:25-26 and Galatians 3:13-14

MESSAGE: "Why the Cross?" Max

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us

this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN: "Love Came Down at Christmas" #242

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

We offer to you, O God, a portion of our wealth, a larger portion of our hands, a full portion of our hearts. Please receive these gifts and bless them. Put all to good use for the work of your kingdom. Amen.

*HYMN: "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" #480

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Our home bound and nursing home residents: Bill Lennon, Ellie Cerow, Jean Luttmann, Stevie Mider, Gertrude Ives and Anne Walker.
Others: Darrel Kicherer's sister, David Forbes father who has been diagnosed with cancer, Darrel Kicherer and family whose mother Joyce recently passed away.

WELCOME CENTER: First time at Asbury? Stop by our welcome center if you have questions or if you would like a copy of our latest newsletter or other brochures!

WEEKLY INFORMATION:

Attendance Last Sunday: In Person: 88

Online: 30

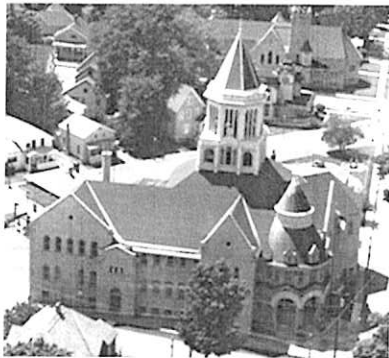
Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 412

2021 Year-to-Date Total: 19,321

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

Organist: Lynn Morgan

Chapel Service: Max Bovee



ASBURY UMC

*Opportunities
to Share Our Love for God
and Each Other*



Highlights from Last Week

On Sunday, December 5, all December birthdays and anniversaries were celebrated with a cake during fellowship time/coffee hour. (photos)

On Monday, December 6th, a funeral service for Joyce Kicherer was held in the sanctuary. Many people attended to honor her and her loved ones.

On Friday, December 10, about 50 asburians enjoyed the Special Advent Gathering in Wesley Hall, organized by Max Bovee. Everyone enjoyed pizza and sundaes as well as Hymn and Carol singing together!



This Week

December 12 – December 19, 2021

Meetings

Staff Meeting @ Parlor

- Monday, December 13: 10:15 A.M.

Mission Committee Meeting @ Parsonage

- Monday, December 13: 7:00 P.M.

Trustees Meeting via Zoom

- Tuesday, December 14: 6:30 P.M.

New Day Board Meeting @ Wesley Hall

- Wednesday, December 15: NOON

Opportunities to Share

Asbury Ringers Practice @ Sanctuary

- Monday, December 13: 6:15 P.M.

Grief Support Group @ Parlor

- Tuesday, December 14: 11:00 A.M.

Quilting Ministry @ Sunday school Room

- Wednesday, December 15: 9:00 A.M.

Prayer Circle @ Parlor

- Wednesday, December 15: 11:00 A.M.

Agape Ringers Practice @ Sanctuary

- Thursday, December 16: 6:15 P.M.

Choir Practice @ Choir Room

- Thursday, December 16: 7:15 P.M.

Scripture of the Week

“Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.”

- 1 Peter 4: 8 -

ASBURY'S STAFF

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THE VISION OF ASBURY

*To Make Disciples for
Jesus Christ for the
Transformation of the World.*

THE MISSION OF ASBURY

*To Inspire People of All
Generations to Love, Learn
and Lead Through Worship,
Education, and Service.*

THE ASBURY MOTTO

*No Matter Where You Are
on Life's Journey,
You Are Welcome Here!*

Join Us Next Sunday, December 19th 4th Sunday of Advent - LOVE

Worship Services:

8:15 A.M in the Chapel:

Michelle Rudd is preaching

10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:

Sunday School students will
lead the worship service.



Cookies & Baked Goods for Christmas Eve

Having a nice reception after both Christmas Eve services is a long-standing Asbury tradition. It is also a lovely tradition that many of you volunteer to bring in cookies and other baked goods.

If you would like to bring cookies or baked goods, please add your name to the Sign-up Sheet in the Rotunda so we can keep track of how many volunteers there will be. You may bring your items before the 5:00 P.M. Family Service or before the 7:30 P.M. Main Service. We thank you in advance for your generosity and kindness.

Membership & Evangelism Committee

NEW - GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Rev. Laura Calos will be leading a Grief Support Group for 6 weeks for anyone who is interested. More information in this month's newsletter or contact Rev. Laura Calos.

The group will meet every **Tuesday** from **December 7th to January 11th.**
The group will meet in the **Parlor** from **11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.**

Salvation Army Angel Tree

Thanks to all the loving and caring people at Asbury, all 35 angels on the tree were chosen to receive gifts.

If you chose to buy gifts for one of the angels, please bring your gifts to the church no later than Sunday, December 19th.

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 10:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.