

**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: 79  
Online: 30  
Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 490  
2021 Year-to-Date Total: 18,909

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY**

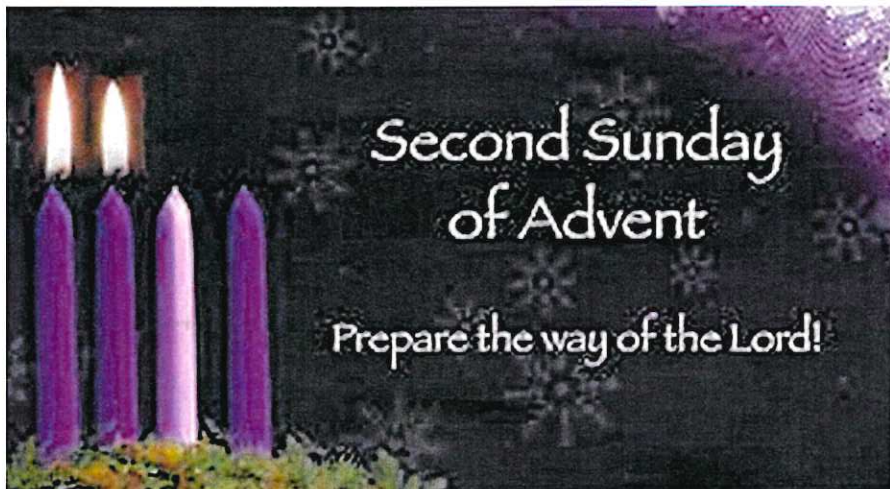
Organist: Bina West  
Chapel Service: Rev. Laura Calos

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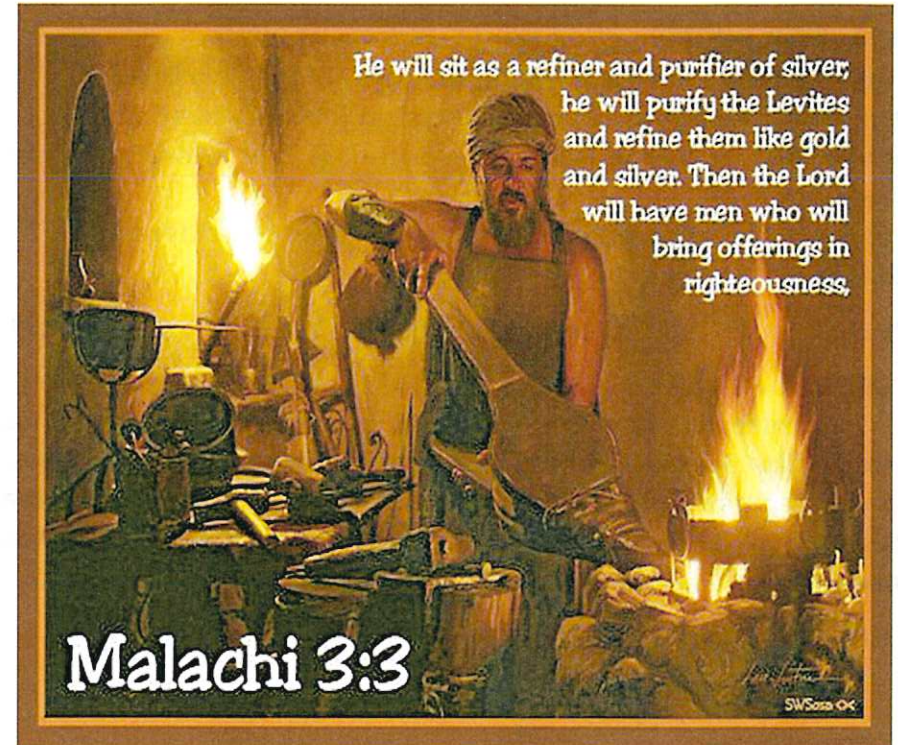
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Church Office**

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**ASBURY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
DECEMBER 5, 2021; 8:15 A.M.**

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



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**ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CCLI#: 1653199**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Rev. Laura Calos is preaching**

(\* Please stand as you are able.)

PRELUDE

Bina West, Organist

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: A messenger calls, "Prepare the way of the Holy One."

**People: "Make a pathway for God straight into your hearts."**

Leader: Blessed be the Holy One, who brings light into the deepest shadows.

**People: A prophet proclaims, "Make way in the desert for the coming of God to live in our midst."**

**\*HYMN: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" #234**

**\*OPENING PRAYER:**

**Redeeming Keeper of Promises, your messengers remind us that you are the source of peace, justice, mercy, and loving kindness. As we prepare for your coming in your son Jesus, help us shine as the radiant body of Christ, that we may be light for a gloomy, broken world. Amen.**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

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.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Malachi 3: 1-4

MESSAGE: "Make a Way in the Desert"

HOLY COMMUNION

#13

OUR OFFERING

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host, praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

**\*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.**

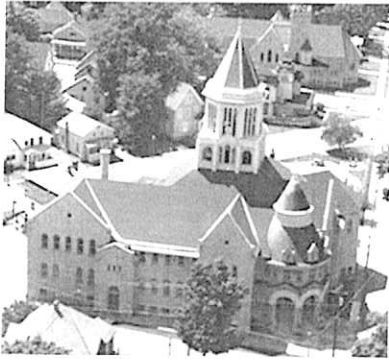
**\* HYMN: "It Came upon the Midnight Clear" #218**

**\*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.





# ASBURY UMC

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



## Highlights from Last Sunday, November 28th

Last Sunday was the first Sunday of Advent. We want to thank Herb and Deb Van Houten for being our Advent readers during the service.

## Scripture of the Week

*"It is written: Be holy, because I am holy."*

- 1 Peter 1:16 -

## This Week

*December 5 - December 12, 2021*



## **Special Advent Gathering - This Friday Night!**

For one last activity coordinated by Max Bovee

**Friday, December 10 - Special Advent Gathering in Wesley Hall.**

6:00-7:00 P.M. - Pizza, Salad and Beverages

7:00-8:00 P.M. - Christmas Carols and an Old Fashioned Hymn Sing

8:00-8:30 P.M. - Make Your Own Ice Cream Sundaes

Please make reservations by today, December 5, to Max Bovee.



## **Meetings**

**Staff Meeting @ Parlor**

- Monday, December 6: 10:15 A.M.

**Church Council Meeting @ Parlor**

- Tuesday, December 7: 6:30 P.M.

## **Opportunities to Share**

**Asbury Ringers Practice @ Sanctuary**

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

**Grief Support Group @ Parlor**

- Tuesday, December 7: 11:00 A.M.

**Prayer Circle @ Parlor**

- Wednesday, December 8: 11:00 A.M.

**Agape Ringers Practice @ Sanctuary**

- Thursday, December 9: 6:15 P.M.

**Choir Practice @ Choir Room**

- Thursday, December 9: 7:15 P.M.

**Special Advent Gathering @ Wesley Hall**

- Friday, December 10: 6:00 P.M.

## **ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**



**William and Lisa Smith**

December 12, 1997



## **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**



**Dec. 7 Michael Hill**

**Dec. 10 Mary C. Malone**

**Dec. 12 Sarah Lehman**



## ASBURY'S STAFF

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### **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 12th 3rd Sunday of Advent - JOY*

### **Worship Services:**

**8:15 A.M. in the Chapel:**

Max Bovee is preaching

**10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:**

Rev. Laura Calos is preaching

Scripture: Zephaniah 3: 14-20

Sermon: "Rejoice"



### **Salvation Army Angel Tree**

Originally there were 35 forgotten angels needing gifts for Christmas on the Angel Tree in the back of the Sanctuary. Thanks to all the loving and caring people at Asbury, every angel on the tree was 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.

### **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.**



*Grief has no timeline*

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### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

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

## ASBURY MEMORIAL TREE

Again, this year a Memorial Tree will be placed at the rear of the sanctuary to give people the opportunity to remember a loved one(s) during Advent. For each memorial gift, one ornament will be placed on the tree.

Please fill out the form below and return or mail it to the church office by December 6 with your check made out to Asbury UMC--Memorial Tree. Please give as you are able. Please do not include this in your regular weekly offering envelope. Thank you.

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In Memory of

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