

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: 31

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 423

2023 Year-to-Date Total: 2,617

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

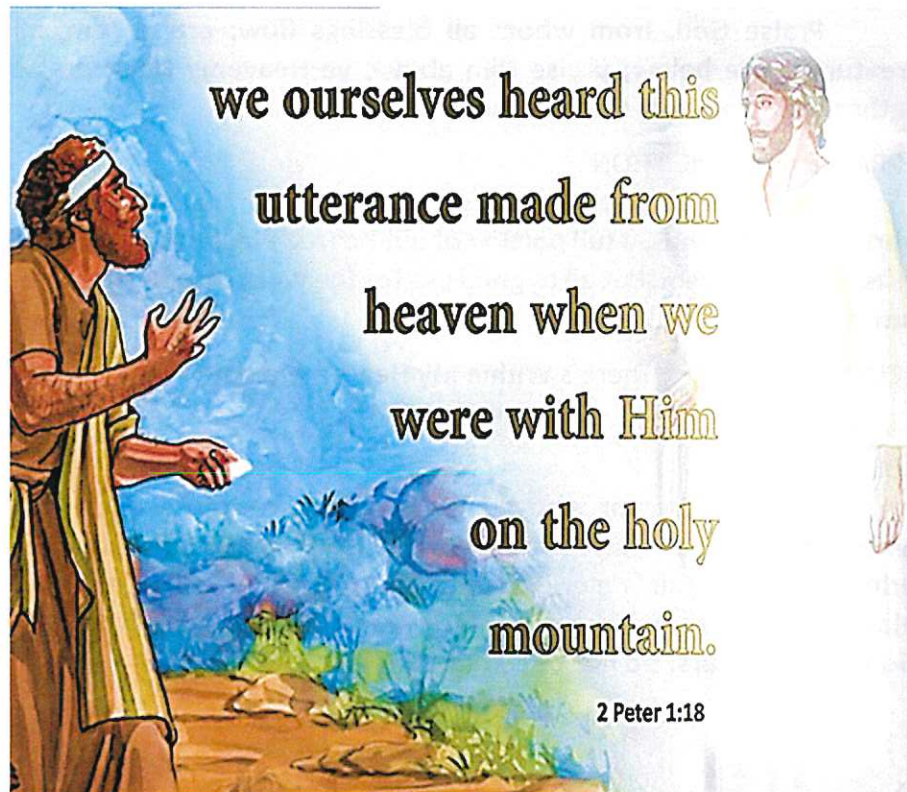
Organist: Bina West

Chapel Service: Lindsay Webb

LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

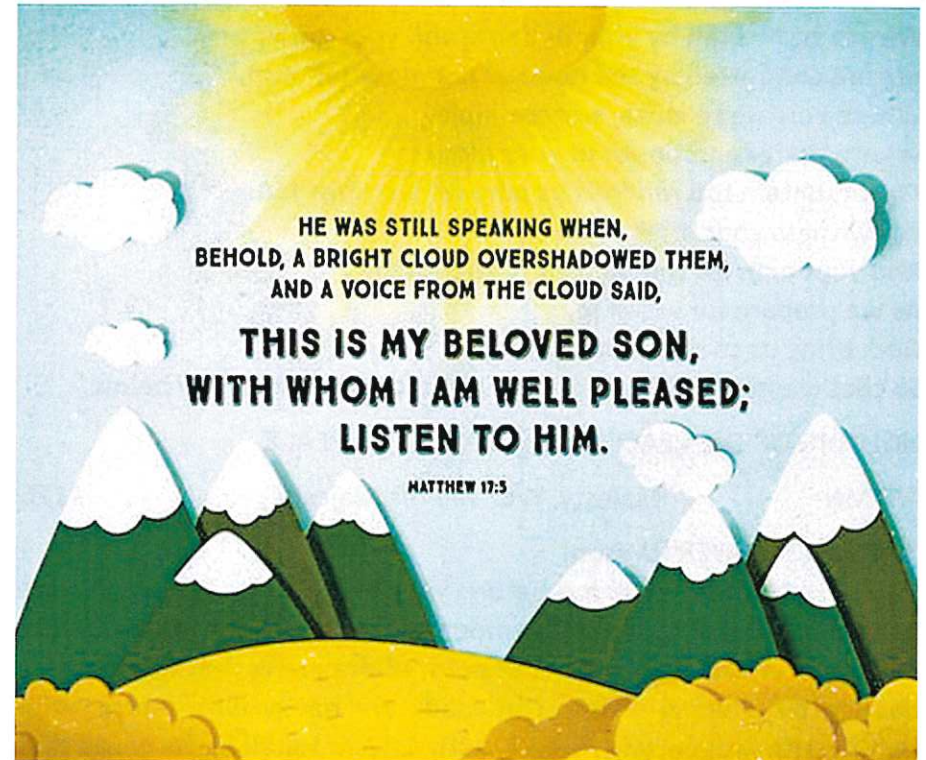
Our home bound and nursing home residents: Jane Alteri, Linda Bennett, Lois Berry, Ellie Cerow, David Heasley, Bill Lennon and Stevie Mider.

Others: David Forbes' Father, Kim Sevier and the Family of Richard Malone.



**ASBURY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
FEBRUARY 19, 2023; 8:15 A.M.**

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



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lindsay Webb is preaching

(* Please stand as you are able.)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bina West, organist

CALL TO WORSHIP (Unison)

God, we come to the mountain top to be covered in your presence.

We are comforted by your holiness and your glow;

We are comforted by the hope of the mountain top,

Where you are so close, so accessible,

Where there is no doubt of your glory.

The mountain top reminds us why we worship you.

We witness your bright power,

And your plan for the nations of the earth.

As we prepare for worship,

God, bring us to the mountain top,

So that we may be inspired to do your work in the valley below.

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE LAMP/PRAYER FOR PEACE

*HYMN "Majesty, Worship His Majesty" #176

*OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Holy One, we come before you, many of us feeling like we have climbed just a part of the mountain, and there is so much more of a climb left to even get to the point of dreaming that we might be dazzled by what is Divine. Our loads are heavy with worry, with regret, with fatigue, with illness, with despair for all in the world that is hurting, in danger, in bondage and more. We trudge ahead, following you, stumbling, hoping, praying...breathing hard, hearts pounding, and yes, even some of us are nimble and skipping. Lead us Lord, to the top of that mountain, where we might be dazzled by your Light, lifted by what is Divine, filled by the sheer delight of what is awe-inspiring and heavenly and yet grounded and real. We pray this, for ourselves, for each other, and for the world in which we live. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 17: 1-9

II Peter 1: 16-21

MESSAGE: "We are Who We are Because of What He Has Done"

*HYMN "Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet" #601

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

*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.

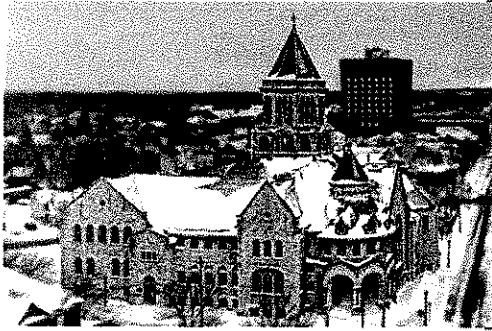
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.

*CLOSING HYMN: "There's Within My Heart a Melody" #380
(verses 1, 3 & 4)

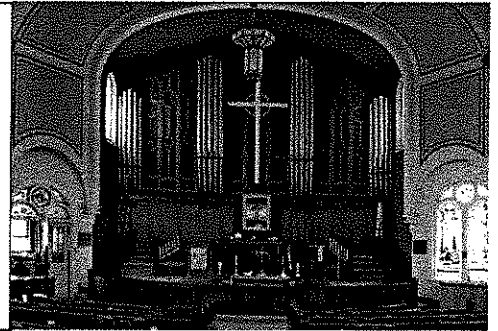
*BENEDICTION

May the Creator who brings light from darkness, The Spirit who transfigures our torments, and the Christ who lifts up valleys and brings the mountain's glory down to earth, make the rough places plain before you and bless you this day and always. Go forth, sisters. Go forth, brothers. Do not be afraid. Amen.



ASBURY UMC

Opportunities
to Share Our Love
for God
and Each Other



This Week

February 19 - February 26, 2023

Opportunities to Share

- Asbury Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**
- Monday, February 20: 6:15 P.M.
- Prayer Circle @ Parlor**
- Wednesday, February 22: 11:00 A.M.
- Ash Wednesday Service @ Chapel**
- Wednesday, February 22: 12:15 P.M.
- Junior Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**
- Wednesday, February 22: 4:00 P.M.
- Homeless Dinner Service @ Wesley Hall**
- Wednesday, February 22: 5:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
- Ash Wednesday Service @ Chapel**
- Wednesday, February 22: 6:15 P.M.
- Praise Band Rehearsal @ Choir Room**
- Thursday, February 23: 5:30 P.M.
- Agape Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**
- Thursday, February 23: 6:15 P.M.
- Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room**
- Thursday, February 23: 7:15 P.M.

Meetings

- Staff Meeting @ Parlor**
- Monday, February 20: 10:15 A.M.
- Finance Committee Meeting @ Parlor**
- Tuesday, February 21: 2:00 P.M.
- New Day Board Meeting @ Wesley Hall**
- Wednesday, February 22: NOON

March Newsletter Deadline!

The deadline for the March 2023 Newsletter/
Beacon is **Monday, February 20th.**

Please send articles in "Microsoft Word" format to
asbury@gisco.net **ONLY.** Please send pictures as an
attachment.

Ash Wednesday Services

Wednesday, February 22nd
12:15 P.M. in the Chapel
6:15 P.M. in the Chapel

Watertown Urban Mission Tour

On **Wednesday, February 22**, at **3:00 P.M.**,
there will be a tour of the Watertown Urban
Mission. Please sign up on the table in the
Rotunda if you are interested!

Sign Up for Coffee Hour!

It's a great time to sign up for Coffee Hour!
You can host with a group or individually!
A sign-up sheet with Coffee Hour instructions is
on the Coffee Hour table in the Rotunda.
Sundays, March 19th and 26th are still available
to host if anyone is interested!

Scripture of the Week

*"I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings
until the disaster has passed."*

- Psalm 57:1 -

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- Feb. 19 **Cherie Danforth**
- Feb. 24 **Max Bovee**
- Feb. 24 **Bina West**
- Feb. 24 **Melanie Rafferty**
- Feb. 24 **Victor Adjaben**



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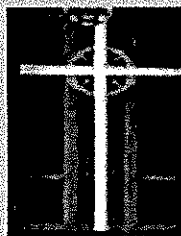
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THE VISION OF ASBURY

*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, February 26th

Worship Services:

8:15 A.M. in the Chapel:

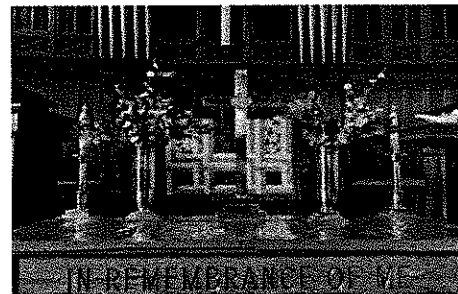
Jean Marshall is preaching

10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:

Rev. Laura Calos is preaching

Scripture: Mark 1: 9-13

Sermon: "Into the Wilderness"



Super Bowl Sunday

Sunday School would like to thank all of those who donated cereal boxes for our "Super Cereal Bowl Challenge" held on Sunday, February 12th (Super Bowl Sunday). A total of 56 cereal boxes were donated to the Watertown Urban Mission food pantry!



Sign Up to Help with the Homeless Dinner Services!

Set-up for the dinner will begin at 4:30 P.M. in Wesley Hall every Wednesday during the Winter. Service will begin at 5:30 P.M. and end at 7:00 P.M.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Rotunda for each Wednesday for anyone who would like to help! You do not have to sign up for every week.

You can sign up to:

- ◆ Bring Dessert (individually wrapped cookies/brownies, 2 dozen)
- ◆ Set Up the Dining Room (placemats, napkins, silverware, salt/pepper, sugar/creamer)
- ◆ Food Prep (heat up food, set out desserts, make coffee, hot water for tea, fill cold water dispenser and set in dining room, fill plates as needed, clean up kitchen dishes, wipe down counters)
- ◆ Servers and Beverage Pourers (take plates of food to guests, offer refills, clear tables, scrape dishes, wipe off tables, set chairs on tables)
- ◆ Dishwasher (operate commercial dishwasher)
- ◆ Person at Parker Street Door to Direct People Downstairs
- ◆ Person at Franklin Street Door to Direct People to Parker Street Door (make sure outside door is locked by 5:30 P.M., then you can join us in Wesley Hall)

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

PASTOR LAURA'S OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 10:00 A.M.- NOON