

**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: 70

Online: 38

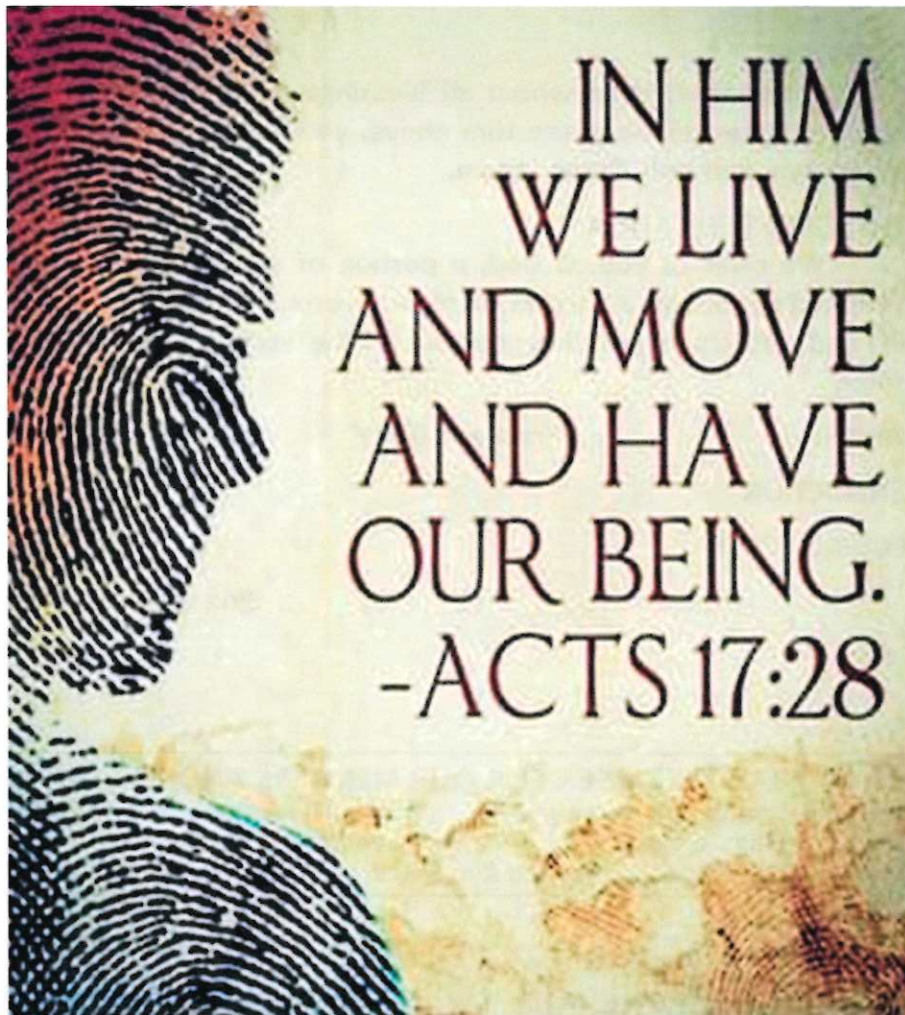
Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 324

2023 Year-to-Date Total: 5,712

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY**

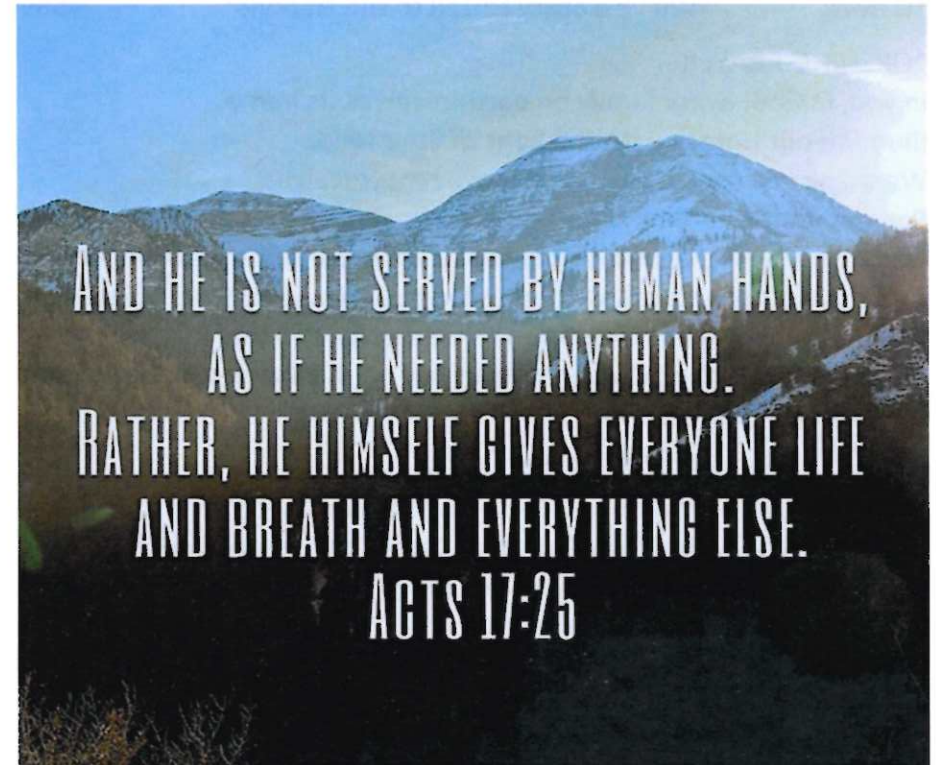
**Organist:** Bina West

**Chapel Service:** Wayne Morris



**ASBURY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
MAY 14, 2023; 8:15 A.M.**

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



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**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Wayne Morris is preaching**

(\* Please stand as you are able.)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR PEACE

\*HYMN: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" #569

\*OPENING PRAYER

In you, O God, every family on earth receives its name.

**Illumine our homes with the light of your love.**

We thank you for the gifts of love we have received.

**For our mothers and those who have served as mothers in many ways, nourishing us and guiding us as we grow to be who we are.**

As we have been loved by them, so we are loved by you, O God. Join with us in this day of celebration as we rejoice in being loved.

**As you grant us peace in Christ Jesus our Lord, so we come to worship in His holy name.**

CALL TO WORSHIP/TIME OF GREETING

Leader: In the storms of life, God is our shelter.

**People: In the whirlwind of activity, God is our secure center.**

Leader: In the flood of tempting images and seductive words, God is a rock of stillness on which to stand.

**People: In the avalanche of tears and fears, God is our strong fortress.**

Leader: In all the days of our lives,

**People: Let God's praise be on our lips.**

Leader: I greet you in the name of Christ. Let us now greet one another.

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 17: 22-31

\*HYMN: "How Great Thou Art" #77

MESSAGE: "Idols"

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.**

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S GIFTS TO US

OFFERTORY

\*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: "Trust and Obey" #467

BENEDICTION

SENDING FORTH

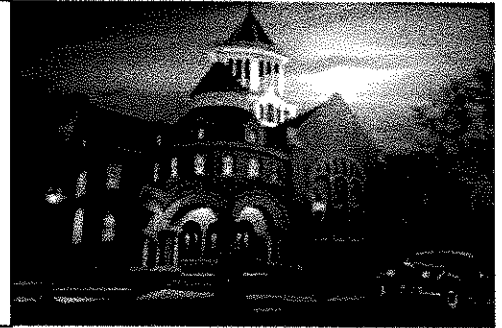
Bina West, Organist

**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 and Kim Sevier.



# ASBURY UMC

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



## *This Week*

*May 14 - May 21, 2023*

### Opportunities to Share

**Asbury Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**

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

**Quilting Ministry @ Sunday School Room**

- Wednesday, May 17: 9:30 A.M.

**Prayer Circle @ Parlor**

- Wednesday, May 17: 11:00 A.M.

**NCMS Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**

- Wednesday, May 17: 6:30 - 9:00 P.M.

**Praise Band Rehearsal @ Choir Room**

- Thursday, May 18: 5:30 P.M.

**Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room**

- Thursday, May 18: 7:15 P.M.

### North Country Music Society Concert!

**Sunday, May 21st: 4:00 P.M. in the Sanctuary**

If you would like to purchase tickets in advance please contact Cathy Mowers or Lindsay Webb.

### United Women in Faith Project

To support Happy Period North Country, a not-for-profit made up of volunteers who assemble period packs and distribute them to community organizations. Donations of pads and tampons would be greatly appreciated! A collection box is in the back of the rotunda. **We will collect donations until Sunday, May 28th.**

WIF will be hosting a "packing party" at our meeting on **Saturday, June 3rd at 9:30 A.M. in the parlor.**

### Meetings

**Finance Committee Meeting @ Parlor**

- Tuesday, May 16: 2:00 P.M.

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

**May 18** Barbara Sargent

**May 18** Ken Snell

**May 20** Roxanne Robinson

**May 20** Rev. Toby Schilling

**May 21** Steven Marshall



### Vacation Bible School (VBS)

#### Volunteers Needed

We are looking at the following 3 day date options: Tues 8/15, Wed 8/16 and Thurs 8/17  
OR Tues 8/22, Wed 8/23 and Thurs 8/24.

The program runs from 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.  
We are looking at hosting a dinner at 5:30 P.M.

**If you are interested in helping, please let Sarah Lehman know by Sunday, May 28th.** We will finalize which week once we know which week has the most help available.

Sarah Lehman: 315-767-2641 or  
sarah121275@hotmail.com

### Scripture of the Week

*"Incline your ear, and come to me. Hear, and your soul shall live."*

- Isaiah 55:3 -

#### 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

## 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, May 21st*

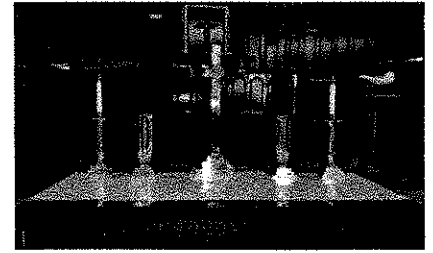
### Worship Services:

8:15 A.M. in the Chapel:

Rev. Leon VanWie is preaching

10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:

Rev. Leon VanWie is preaching



### FROM THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Memorial Day is the time of year to remember the family and friends who are no longer with us. In addition to planting flowers and attending parades, a memorial gift made in memory of your loved ones is a wonderful way to show your respect. The Memorial Committee members look for appropriate, tasteful, and useful ways to apply these expressions of love and friendship. Previous purchases have included hymnals, hand bells, paraments, altar furnishings, candelabras, church signs and directories, a podium, refurbishing the altar table cross, music for the choir library, replacement robes, a keyboard, a computer system, and audio equipment. As you can see, it is not difficult to find a suitable use for memorial gifts that will serve as a lasting memorial.

If you would like to designate a "Memorial Gift", please place it in an envelope labeled "Memorial Gift" and place it in the offering plate or send it into the church office by Wednesday, May 31st. If you are paying by check, please make it out to "Asbury UMC - Memorial Gift".

Thank you! Orié Phillips and Lisa Smith - Co-chairs of the Memorial Committee

### Asbury Annual Bus Trip!

Wednesday, September 20th and Thursday, September 21st, 2023.

We will be seeing "Moses" at the Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA and will be taking a bus tour of the Gettysburg Battlefield.

**COST: \$325.00/person. Deposit of \$150.00 per person due ASAP.**

Checks made payable to "Asbury UMC" with "Lancaster Trip" in the memo line and must be given to Lindsay Webb or mailed to her at PO Box 27, Brownville, NY 13615; to be recorded and credited.

**Price will include:** Bus service and driver tip, Sight and Sound Tickets, overnight at Bird-In-Hand Resort (including tip), Wednesday smorgasbord supper and Thursday smorgasbord breakfast at Bird-In-Hand Restaurant, boxed lunch at the Gettysburg Battlefield on Thursday before the bus tour.

**Not included:** Lunch on Wednesday and dinner on Thursday. Your reservation will be secured once your deposit is received. A waiting list will be established if necessary.

**Singles:** You must have a traveling companion and roommate.

**Questions:** Call Margie VanWie at 315-771-9178, Lindsay Webb at 315-408-5099 or Rev. Leon VanWie at 315-771-9142.

### The Nursery Is Now Open!

The nursery is now available. If desired, please see an usher.