

**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: 86  
Online: 33  
Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 160  
2023 Year-to-Date Total: 5,872

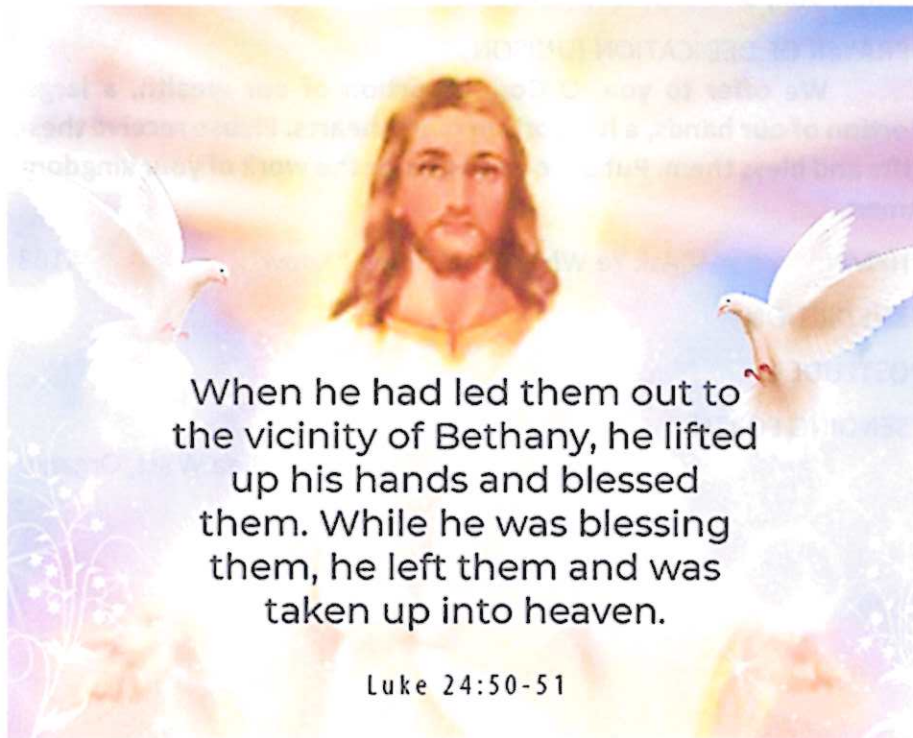
**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY**

**Organist:** Bina West  
**Chapel Service:** Rev. Leon VanWie

**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.



When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven.

Luke 24:50-51

**ASBURY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
MAY 21, 2023; 8:15 A.M.**

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



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**7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER – ASCENSION SUNDAY**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Rev. Leon VanWie is preaching**

(\* Please stand as you are able.)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE LAMP AND PRAYER FOR PEACE

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The time for worship has come! Christ promises to be with us, even today as we celebrate his ascension.

**People: The time has come, for our spirits to find direction and to prepare to take the good news to the world!**

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

\*TIME OF GREETING

\*HYMN: "O Splendor of God's Glory Bright" #679

\*OPENING PRAYER (UNISON)

**Come among us, Lord Jesus Christ! Bring peace to our fear, trust to our doubt and joy to our lives. 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 READINGS:

Responsive Reading: #781 - Psalm 47 with Sung Response

Luke 24: 44-53

Acts 1: 1-11

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: "The Apostles' Creed" #881(Traditional Version)

\*HYMN: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" #155

MESSAGE: "You Are to Stay in the City"

OUR OFFERING

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 (UNISON)

**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: "Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know" #163

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

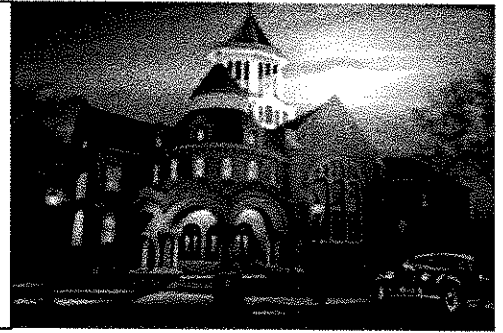
\*SENDING FORTH

Bina West, Organist



# ASBURY UMC

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



## This Week

*May 21 - May 28, 2023*

### Opportunities to Share

**North Country Music Society Concert @ Sanctuary**  
- Sunday, May 21: 4:00 P.M.

**Asbury Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**  
- Monday, May 22: 6:15 P.M.

**Prayer Circle @ Parlor**  
- Wednesday, May 24: 11:00 A.M.

**Praise Band Rehearsal @ Choir Room**  
- Thursday, May 25: 5:30 P.M.

**Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room**  
- Thursday, May 25: 7:15 P.M.

### Meetings

**Worship Committee Meeting via Zoom**  
- Tuesday, May 23: 7:00 P.M.

**Transition Team Meeting @ Parlor**  
- Wednesday, May 24: 2:00 P.M.

### North Country Music Society Concert!

**TODAY, May 21st: 4:00 P.M. in the Sanctuary**  
**Tickets:** \$7, ages 5-12: \$4, ages 5 & under: free,  
family: \$20

### 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

### 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 10th at 9:30 A.M. in the parlor.**

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



**May 21** Steven Marshall

**May 25** Anne Fioretto

**May 28** Edward Putzier



### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK



**Rev. David and Barbara Simmons**

**May 23, 1986**



### Scripture of the Week

*"Ask for the old paths, where the good way is, and walk in it; then you will find rest for your souls."*

- Jeremiah 6:16 -

#### **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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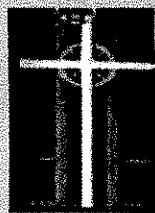
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### **THE VISION OF ASBURY**

*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 28th*

### **Worship Services:**

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

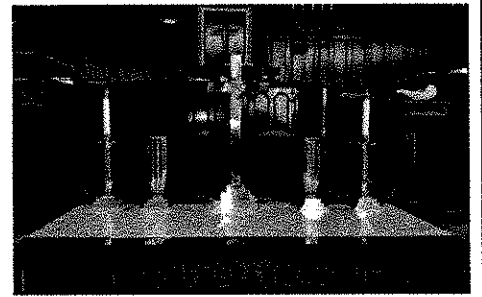
Jean Marshall is preaching

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

Rev. Laura Calos is preaching

Scripture: Galatians 5: 22-26

Sermon: "Fruit of the Spirit"



### **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.