

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: 84

Online: 75

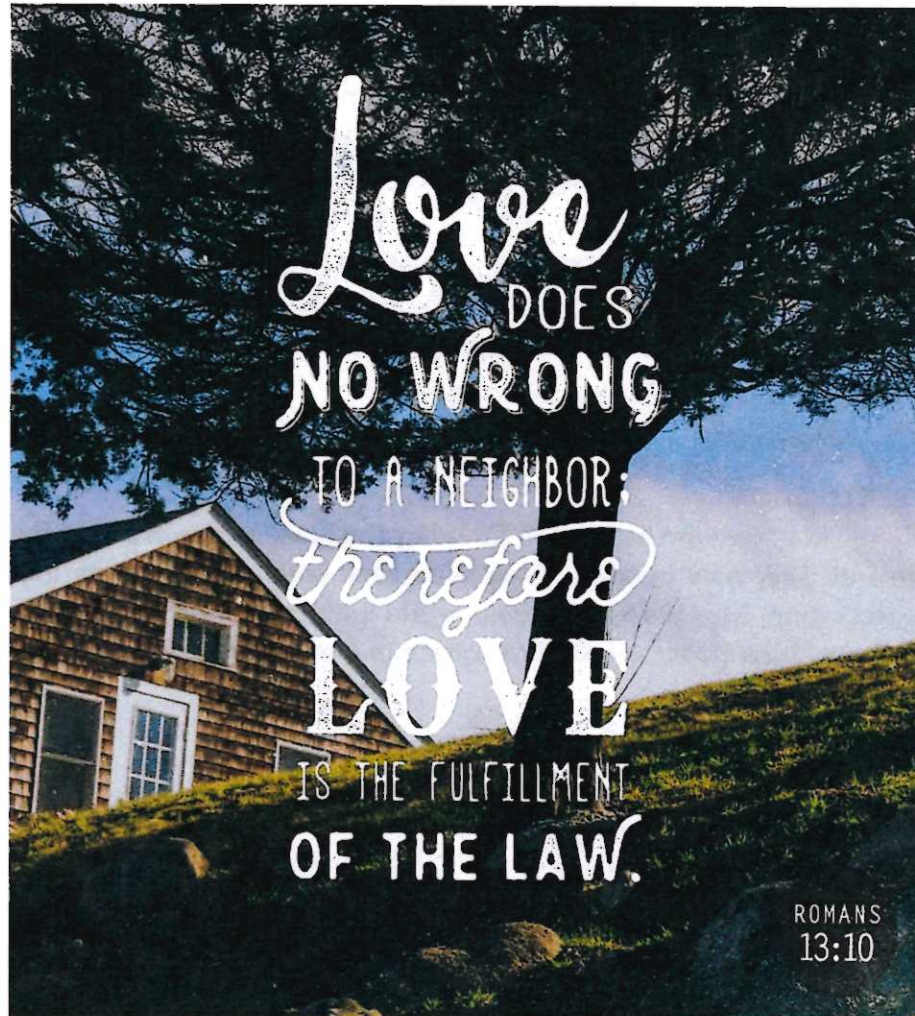
Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 385

2023 Year-to-Date Total: 11,074

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

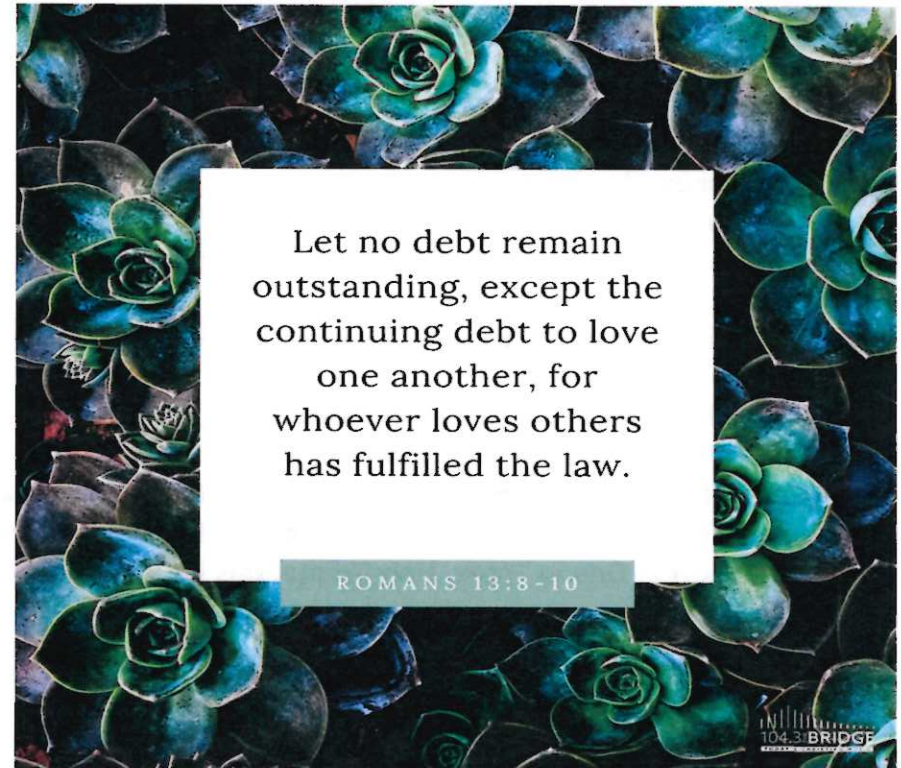
Organist: Bina West

Chapel Service: Lindsay Webb



**ASBURY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 10, 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.)

PRE-WORSHIP MUSIC

Bina West, organist

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE LAMP/PRAYER FOR PEACE

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Gentle...yet powerful. Lowly...yet almighty. Shepherd...yet King.

People: In your gentleness, guide us.

Leader: In your power, strengthen us.

People: In your lowliness, strip from us our selfish pride which only destroys us.

Leader: In your greatness, lift us up that we might aspire to greater things.

People: As a shepherd, call us to be your servants.

Leader: As a King, call us to be your royal priesthood.

All: O God, who is our shepherd and our King; O Christ, who was crucified and is now risen from the dead; O Spirit, who comforts and empowers; O Great One in Three, Holy Trinity, this hour, set us free to worship. Amen.

***HYMN** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" #196

***OPENING PRAYER**

O still, small voice, speak to us this hour, that we might become makers of your peace in our homes, in our communities, in our world. We pray all this in the name of the One who calmed the raging sea and brings to us the gift of eternal life, if we but accept His gift. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Psalm 119: 33-38

Romans 13: 8-14

MESSAGE: "What Is the Sign?"

***HYMN** "Near to the Heart of God" #472

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS/GOD SIGHTINGS

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 GIFT TO US

***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:** "Seek Ye First" #405

***BENEDICTION**

May we who have been found by the grace and overwhelming love of God, now become those who seek with grace and joy and expectation. May we go into your world with open eyes and hearts. And may your peace, oh God, resonate in every invitation and every welcome. Amen.

POSTLUDE

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: Mary DeYear, Mike Hill, Orie Phillips and David Forbes' father.



ASBURY UMC

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



This Week

September 10 - September 17, 2023

Opportunities to Share

Prayer Circle @ Parlor

- Wednesday, September 13: 11:00 A.M.

Praise Band Rehearsal @ Choir Room

- Thursday, September 14: 5:30 P.M.

Agape Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Thursday, September 14: 6:15 P.M.

Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room

- Thursday, September 14: 7:15 P.M.

Meetings

Staff Meeting @ Parlor

- Monday, September 11: 10:15 A.M.

Missions Committee Meeting @ Parlor

- Monday, September 11: 6:30 P.M.

Trustees Meeting via Zoom

- Tuesday, September 12: 6:30 P.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS NEEDED!

The Sunday School program is still in desperate need of adult helpers! If we do not find more people, we will not be able to run both Sunday School levels as we need two background checked, unrelated adults in each classroom every week.

This does not need to be an every week commitment.

Please sign up in the back of the rotunda or contact Michelle Rudd at (315) 777-6175 or michelle.marie.rudd@gmail.com for more information. A background check form can be obtained from Michelle or in the church office.

Sunday School Ice Cream Social!

The Sunday School children, youth and leaders would like to invite everyone to join them for an Ice Cream Social in Wesley Hall following the 10:15 A.M. service on Sunday, September 17th!

Get Ready for Sunday School!

Sunday School will begin on September 17th! Please see Michelle Rudd or check in the church office for registration forms, or register downstairs that day. We are excited to welcome Sunday School students ages 3 - 6th grade and youth helpers from 7th grade through high school.

Upcoming Church Council Meeting

Church Council will meet on Tuesday, September 19th, at 4:30 P.M. in the parlor.

Committee chairs should have reports ready to share. All are invited to attend.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

Michael and Karen Hill

September 12, 1987

Nathan and Sarah Lehman

September 12, 2009

Mark and Christine Sutton

September 15, 1996



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Sept. 10 Michael Terrell

Sept. 13 Patricia Littell



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*To Make Disciples of
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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, September 17th

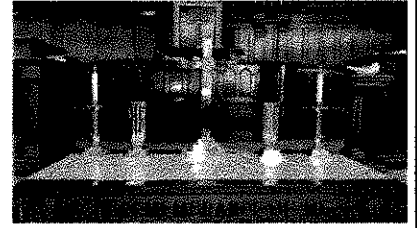
Worship Services:

8:15 A.M. in the Chapel:

Jean Marshall is preaching

10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:

Michael Terrell is preaching



Scripture of the Week

"Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law."

- Romans 13:10 -

Youth Group Event - "Escape from Sunday School"

On Sunday, October 1st during the 10:15 A.M. church service, there will be an Escape Room set up in Wesley Hall in the age 3 - grade 2 classroom.

Looking to borrow: kid/toy purse, briefcase/small luggage with number lock system, locker combination padlock, small chest/box that can be padlocked and a bicycle lock.

If you have any of these items, contact Sarah Lehman: 315-767-2641.

ANNUAL FALL RUMMAGE SALE!

Friday, October 6th and Saturday, October 7th: 8:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Start your fall cleaning out now!

Needed: chairs, tables, bedding, tools, small working appliances, jewelry, area rugs, antique items, books, toys, puzzles and games, pots and pans, Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas decorations, sewing /quilting items, etc.

Bake and Pie Sale both days!

Don't miss this opportunity to help raise money to pay our upcoming winter gas and electric bills!

Sponsored by the Asbury Finance Committee

Adopt a Platoon

Asbury's adopted platoon from 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum is now deployed and Soldiers are performing duty in Kuwait, Iraq, and Syria. Our plan is to mail a box of donated items to them after the last Sunday of each month. We have a box in the rotunda to place your donated items. Here are the current items that are requested:

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| - Deodorant | - Notes/letters from congregation |
| - Disposable razors | - Shaving cream (travel-size) |
| - Feminine hygiene products | - Soap |
| - Hygiene basics | - Toothpaste (small tubes) |
| - Individual snack packs, e.g. trail mix | - Writing paper/envelopes |

Rather than a donation of items, you may send a check to the church office annotated with "Adopt a Platoon" and Christian Connections will purchase items.