

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: 89
Online: 40
Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 407
2023 Year-to-Date Total: 12,946

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

Greeters: Sandra Johnson, Shirley Berry, Kathy Ruhm, Carol Stoodley, Nikki Patrick, Abigail Patrick, Alexander Patrick, Anthony Patrick

Liturgist: Erica Pettit

Organist: Ghilyana Dordzhieva

Chapel Service: Wayne Morris

Coffee Hour: Trustees - Cake

Acolytes: Olivia Lehman, Jaelah Liriano, Anthony Patrick, Abigail Patrick, Alexander Patrick, Michael Rudd and Ruzena Rudd

Shepherds: Bonnie Peck and Pam Quimby

Ushers: Lorraine Irwin	Wayne Morris	Orie Phillips
Bill Plemons	James Rafferty	Dale Scott
Bill Smith	Lisa Smith	Glen Snell
Carol Stoodley	Darlene Town	Patrick Town
Leon VanWie	Dan Webb	

This Sunday's bulletin is sponsored by Mary DeYear. The bulletin is an essential part of Sunday worship. Thank you, Mary, for your contribution!



COMEDY ^{dessert} THEATRE

Where YOU write the actors' scripts!

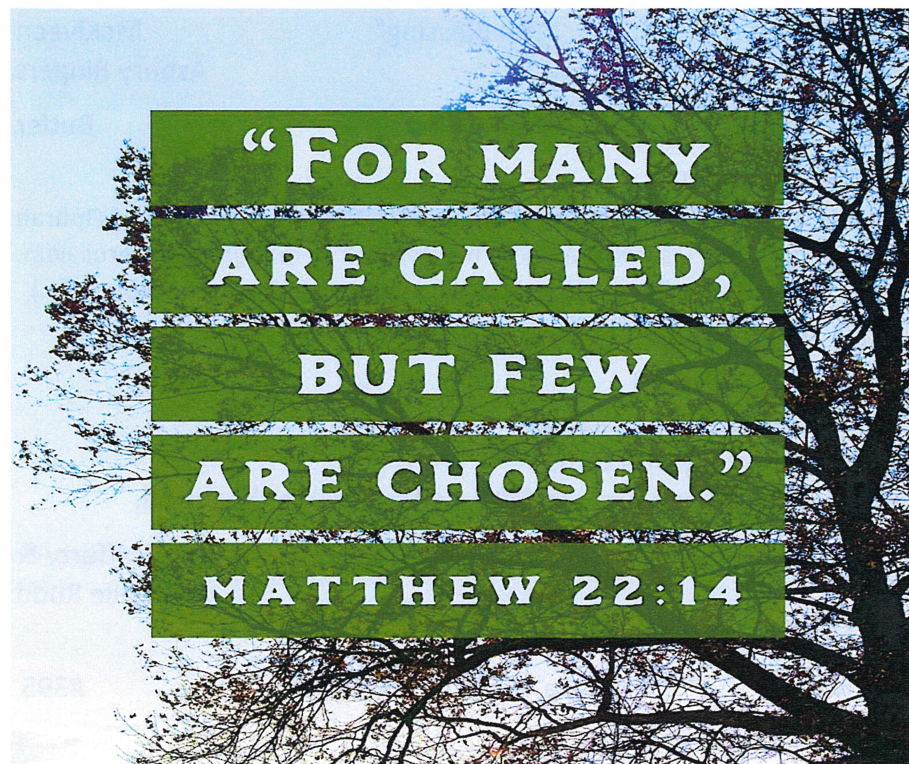
Asbury United Methodist Church, Watertown

Saturday, Nov. 18, 1-3 p.m.

Suggested Donation of \$5 per person

**ASBURY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 22, 2023; 10:15 A.M.**

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



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CENTERING WORDS FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP:

REJOICE IN THE LORD ALWAYS. GOD IS WORTHY OF OUR
HEARTS' DELIGHT.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching.

( - Indicates please stand, if able, in posture or in spirit.)

PRELUDE: "The Blessing" McKlveen
Asbury Ringers

CHOIR INTROIT: "This is the Day" Butler

PRAYER FOR PEACE

(Our peace lamp originates from Taybeh, the Biblical village named Ophrah or Ephraim, where Jesus stayed with his disciples before going to Jerusalem. Taybeh is about 15 miles north-east of Jerusalem. See insert for more info.)

 **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Invited by God,

People: we gather to worship.

Leader: Partnering with God,

People: we gather to grow in faith and to change the world.

SPECIAL MUSIC: "The Prayer" Melanie Rafferty &
Michelle Rudd

 **PASSING OF THE PEACE**

 **HYMN:** "Take Time to Be Holy" #395

 **OPENING PRAYER**

Beloved God, we gather in the shelter of your love, grateful for the banquet of worship you have prepared for us. Focus our hearts and our minds on the beauty of this time, the blessings of our lives, and the fullness of your message. Strengthen our call to fulfill our role as your partners in ministry to the world. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Jesus, Savior, Blessed Friend" D. Govenor

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG DISCIPLES

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: Trustees


SHARING OF JOYS/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: The Gospel According to Matthew 22: 1-14

 **HYMN:** "There's Something About That Name" #171

THE SPOKEN WORD: "What Is God, Exactly Inviting Us To?"

OUR OFFERING


OFFERTORY: "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" by J. Mansfield

 **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**

Holy God, your kindness and compassion surround us. You alone are holy. You alone bring meaning and hope to our lives. We are grateful for all that you are and all that you give us. Receive us and the gifts that we bring, that the world might know you and the gifts you offer to those who ask. Amen.

 **HYMN:** "'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" #462

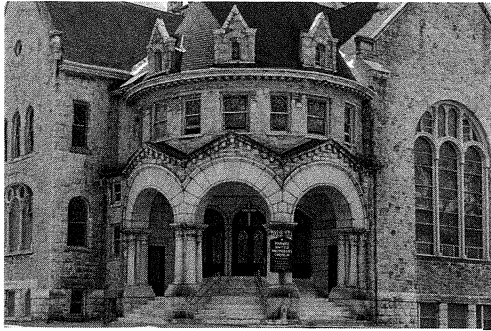
 **BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BENEDICTION: "Forth in Thy Name, O Lord" Wesley/Hatton

POSTLUDE: "How Glorious Is Thy Name" by Mozart, arr. C. Simone

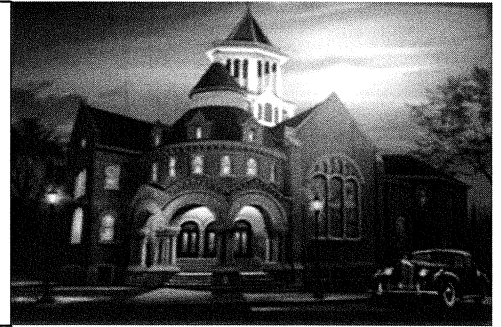
LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Our home bound and nursing home residents: Jane Alteri, Linda Bennett, Lois Berry, Ellie Cerow, David Heasley, Bill Lennon and Stevie Mider.
Others: Mike Hill and David Forbes' father.



ASBURY UMC

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



This Week

October 22 - October 29, 2023

Meetings

Staff Meeting @ Parlor

- Monday, October 23: 10:15 A.M.

October Contemporary Service

The next Contemporary Service is on **Sunday, October 29th**. Like every Sunday, it's the perfect time to invite a friend, a neighbor, and/or a family member to Asbury United Methodist Church!

We are looking for musicians! If you play rhythm guitar, bass guitar, or drums, please feel free to reach out to Melanie Rafferty, Praise Team Leader, at 315-783-1105 or melanie@cortelimprovement.com

Adopt-a-Platoon

By Tuesday, October 29th, please help provide:

- Cards with beautiful Autumn pictures
- Any items listed on the box in the Rotunda
- Holiday (Thanksgiving/Christmas) Decorations

Please place your items in the big box found in the Rotunda.

You may also send a check to the church office annotated with "Adopt a Platoon" and Christian Connections will purchase items.

STEWARDSHIP (PLEDGE) SUNDAY

2024 Stewardship pledge cards are due Sunday, October 29th, 2023.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK



Willy and Darlene Welbourn
October 28, 1977



Opportunities to Share

River Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Sunday, October 22: NOON - 2:00 P.M.

NCS Organ Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Monday, October 23: 9:00 A.M.

Asbury Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Monday, October 23: 6:15 P.M.

NCS Organ Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Tuesday, October 24: 9:00 A.M.

Prayer Circle @ Parlor

- Wednesday, October 25: 11:00 A.M.

Junior Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Wednesday, October 25: 4:00 P.M.

Praise Band Rehearsal @ Choir Room

- Thursday, October 26: 5:30 P.M.

Agape Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Thursday, October 26: 6:15 P.M.

Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room

- Thursday, October 26: 7:15 P.M.

Scripture of the Week

"Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption."

- Ephesians 4:30 -

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Oct. 23 Cathy Mowers

Oct. 27 Abigail Patrick

Oct. 27 Andrew Rudd

Oct. 28 Kate Lamica

Oct. 29 Michelle Rudd



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THE VISION OF ASBURY

*To Make Disciples of
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,
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Join Us Next Sunday, October 29th

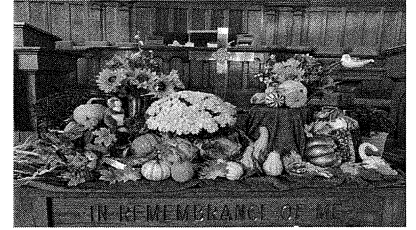
Worship Services:

8:15 A.M. in the Chapel:

Sue Snell is preaching

10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:

Michael Terrell is preaching



Red Bird Christmas Boxes

Christmas boxes are due Nov. 5th so they can make it to Red Bird by Christmas.

If you would like to fill one, please see the list of items needed, located in the Rotunda. Plastic boxes are available at church or can be purchased, along with most items needed, at a dollar store.

Note: All items should be FULL size and in their original containers, as purchased. To help items fit in the box, purchase flat bottles of shampoo, hand lotion, etc. & small round cans of shaving cream.

Thank you for your generosity!

ASBURY'S ANNUAL WREATH SALE!

The Finance Committee is again sponsoring the annual wreath sale which began on Sunday, October 1st. This is the 23rd year that we have held the wreath sale!

Hemlock Haven in Sandy Creek has been sold to a family who will make the excellent product that we have come to expect. This year we will again be selling the following:

Undecorated Wreath - \$22 Decorated Wreath - \$25 Sprays - \$25

If you would like to purchase a wreath for the church doors, please contact Lynn Morgan at 315-493-2637. We will have 4 wreaths on the doors.

Wreath orders MUST be placed by Sunday, November 19th, so Garden and Grow (formerly Hemlock Haven) will have enough time to make the wreaths and sprays for **pick-up on Tuesday, November 28th**. Faith will also be taking orders in the office.

With the onset of cooler weather, the Finance Committee hopes that the wreath sale will help with the escalating fuel costs. We deeply appreciate your support of this annual fundraiser! If you would like to help sell wreaths, pick up a packet in the rotunda after each Sunday service. Thank you for your participation in this holiday project!

More About Our Peace Lamp

"The Taybeh Peace Lamp Initiative" was launched in 2004. It started because of the terrible conflict that harmed the Holy Land, Israelis and Palestinians had tried all possible means of action to put an end to it, using both violence and non-violence, but with little success. As a last resort, they addressed a Prayer for Peace in the Holy Land to our Lord with a simple and symbolic idea to unite over 100,000 churches, through the lamps, in a common Prayer for Peace in the Holy Land. Thus, the lamp and the light, become a message of peace and a sign of solidarity towards the Holy Land from the churches all around the world.

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**STEWARDSHIP 2024
PLEDGE CARD**

Please return this form to the Church Office or
place it in the Offering by October 29, 2023.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

I will provide my pledge by:

- Online Giving
- Church Envelope
- My Own Envelope

**I estimate that my total 2024 monetary gift
to Asbury United Methodist Church will be:**

\$ _____

