

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: N/A

Online: 100

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 426

2024 Year-to-Date Total: 810

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

Greeters: Sarah Lehman, Kerry Roberge, Pat Town, and Darlene Town

Liturgist: Kerry Roberge

Organist: Ghilyana Dordzhieva

Chapel Service: Wayne Morris

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

Shepherds: Bonnie Peck and Pam Quimby

Ushers: Lorraine Irwin

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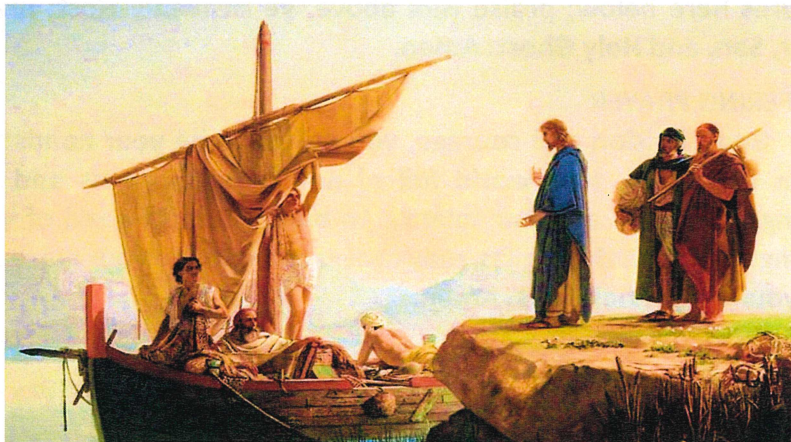
Leon VanWie

Dan 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: Mike Hill, Lindsay Webb, Michelle Miller and the Bird-In-Hand staff



*Bulletins today are given by Karen Granger.
Thank you, Karen!*

**ASBURY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
JANUARY 21, 2024; 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:

GOD IS NOT A TASKMASTER KEEPING TRACK OF OUR GOOD DEEDS. RATHER, GOD INTERVENES BOLDLY AND RELENTLESSLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF LIFE AND THE RESTORATION OF CREATION.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching

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

PRELUDE: "Morningdance" Moklebust
Asbury Ringers

CHOIR INTROIT: "Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word" Clausnitzer/Ahle

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.)

☙ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Gathered in worship with silence and sound,

People: we wait upon God's grace.

Leader: Gathered in worship with focused heart and mind,

People: we anticipate the time we face.

☙ PASSING OF THE PEACE

☙ HYMN: "Jesus Calls Us" #398

☙ OPENING PRAYER

God of unifying grace, we come distracted by the world. Our minds wander, and are filled with thoughts other than you. Our hearts are confused, and we are uncertain where we belong. Call us to follow you once more. Redeem the night and bless the day that greets us this morning. May your relentless ways never fail as we strive to live as your beloved people. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "How Firm a Foundation" D. Wood

CHILDREN'S MUSIC: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" arr. by Susan Berry
Junior Ringers

TEACHING THE CHILDREN

MISSION MINUTE

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.

THE WRITTEN WORD: The Gospel According to Mark 1: 14-20

☙ HYMN "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" #2129

THE SPOKEN WORD: "The Cost of Discipleship"

OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "Wir Christenleut" (We Christian People) by J. S. Bach

☙ 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.

☙ OFFERING PRAYER

God of vision and courage, you call us to be your hands and feet in the world. In a world full of need, use our gifts and our offerings, our time and our talents, to bless those in need of your blessings. Through these gifts, may others come to see your grace and hear your call in their lives. Amen.

☙ HYMN: "Lord of the Dance" #261

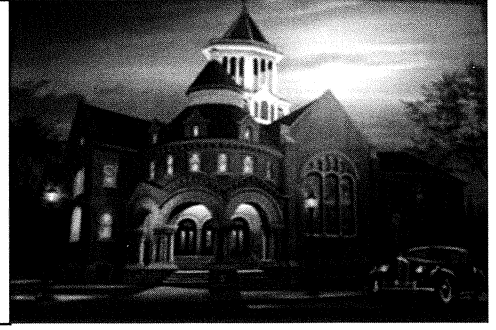
☙ BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION: "God Be with You till We Meet Again"
Rankin/Williams

POSTLUDE: "Triumphal March" by G. F. Handel



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



This Week

January 21 - January 28, 2024

Meetings

- Staff Meeting @ Parlor**
- Monday, January 22: 10:15 A.M.
- Finance Committee Meeting @ Parlor**
- Tuesday, January 23: 2:00 P.M.
- Worship Committee Meeting via Zoom**
- Tuesday, January 23: 7:00 P.M.

Opportunities to Share

- Asbury Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**
- Monday, January 22: 6:15 P.M.
- Prayer Circle @ Parlor**
- Wednesday, January 24: 11:00 A.M.
- Junior Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**
- Wednesday, January 24: 4:00 P.M.
- Agape Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**
- Thursday, January 25: 6:15 P.M.
- Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room**
- Sunday, January 28: 9:15 A.M.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Jan. 27 **David Simmons**

COMMUNITY DINNER: SIGN-UP TO HELP!

Community Dinners are served at the Emmanuel Congregational Church, UCC, 119 South Hamilton Street, Watertown.

Asbury will volunteer for the Tuesday dinners until the end of April.

A binder with sign-up sheets is in the Rotunda.

You can sign-up for:

- Meal Prep (2 - 5 P.M.)**
- Set-Up and Serve (4 - 6 P.M.)**
- Clean-Up (6 - 8 P.M.)**

Thank you for your help and for helping the people in need within our community!

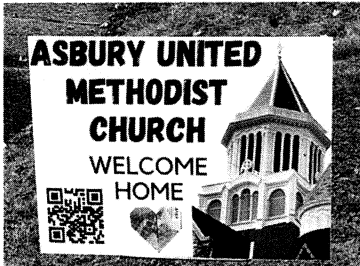
Scripture of the Week

“The Lord has not forsaken His kindness to the living and the dead.”

- Ruth 2:20 -

Sign Up for Coffee Hour!

Sunday, February 18th is available to host for anyone interested!



Asbury UMC yard signs are for sale!

The sign pictured is what is available. Perfect to put outside of your home or business to help promote Asbury!

The signs are \$10.00 each. You can stop by the Church Office to purchase one (or many)!

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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,
You Are Welcome Here!*

Join Us Next Sunday, January 28th

Worship Services:

8:15 A.M. in the Chapel:

Michelle Rudd is preaching

10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:

Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching



Confirmation Class

If your child is in 7th-12th grade and would like to join our first 2024 confirmation class, please let Pastor Michael know by **Monday, January 15.**

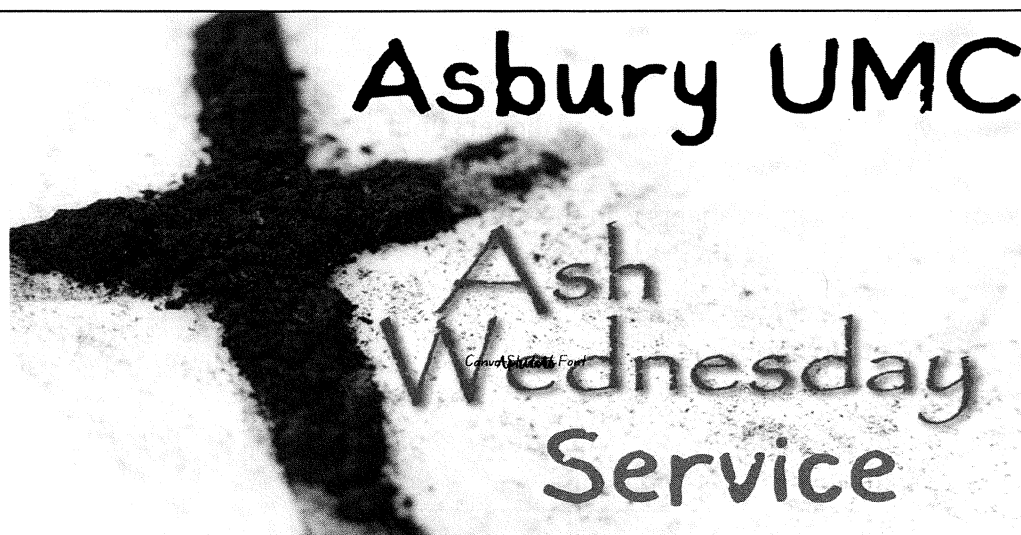
Did You Know?

The first day of Lent is Ash Wednesday, February 14th.

The first Sunday of Lent is Sunday, February 18th!



On Ash Wednesday, as Lent begins, worshipers' foreheads are often marked with ashes in the sign of the cross. The ashes traditionally come from burning palm branches from the previous Palm Sunday. In the Old Testament, ashes were a sign of mourning and repentance. Today, some worshipers wipe off the ashes before leaving church, to symbolize being cleansed from sin by Jesus' death; others wear the ashes the rest of the day, carrying the cross of Christ into the world. Reciting Genesis 3:19 often accompanies the placement of ashes: "You are dust, and to dust you shall return."



in the Chapman Chapel, 2/14 @ 6:30 pm

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY-THURSDAY: 10:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY-THURSDAY: 10:00 A.M.- NOON