

☙ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Precious Lord, we hunger for the light and strength that only the Spirit can bring. Feed us and strengthen us, as we learn to feed others. Fill us with the breath of your spirit as you search our hearts. Take our lives as proof of our faithfulness. Take our gifts as proof of our love. Use them to your purpose here on earth. Amen.

☙ HYMN: "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve" TFWS #2241

☙ BENEDICTION

God, out of God's great love, has created you. Jesus Christ, out of his great love, has redeemed you. The Holy Spirit, out of great love, has lifted and inspired you to go in peace and service throughout God's world, proclaiming the good news of peace, love, hope, and joy to all. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Amen!

CLOSING MUSIC

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**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: 30

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 504  
2024 Year-to-Date Total: 7,029

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY**

**Organist:** Bina West

**Chapel Service:** Jane Eastham

**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, Mary DeYear, David Heasley, and Bill Lennon.

**Others:** Mike Hill, Keri Morris, Deb Der, Steven Palmer, Stacy and Kevin Teunissen, Dortha Brown, Sue, Patty, Fred, Doris B., Frank, Tom K., and Yvonne Cornell.

ASBURY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
MAY 19, 2024; 8:15 A.M.

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



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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

Jane Eastham is preaching.

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

GATHERING MUSIC

Bina West, Organist

WELCOME

LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP & PRAYER FOR PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Come, Holy Spirit. Inspire our hearts with your fiery presence!

**P: Let your flame burn within us, stirring us to action.**

L: Come, Holy Spirit. Energize our lives to work for God.

**P: Let your wind of hope swirl around us, lifting and moving us from complacency.**

L: Come, Holy Spirit. Pour your blessing on us.

**P: Let your presence challenge us to proclaim God's presence and love in everything we say and do. Amen!**

🌿 HYMN: "Sweet, Sweet Spirit" #334

OPENING PRAYER

**Almighty God, your Holy Spirit came to Jesus' disciples, hidden in an upper room in Jerusalem. A violent wind and tongues of fire were the symbols of a new thing happening in their lives. May your Holy Spirit burst into our lives today, encouraging and inspiring us to proclaim boldly the good news of Jesus Christ who offers healing and hope to all people. Amen!**

SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 2: 1-21

MESSAGE: "Empowered to Proclaim"

🌿 HYMN: "Loving Spirit" TFWS #2123

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.

We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need.

We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.

We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service.

We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters.

We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OUR 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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

As God has so richly blessed us, let us return a portion of our blessings to God, asking that these gifts may be used in service to others through the ministries and mission of Asbury church.

🌿 DOXOLOGY

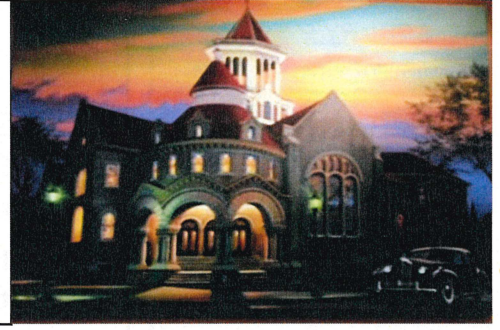
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**





# ASBURY UMC

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



## *This Week*

*May 19 - May 26, 2024*

### Meetings

#### **Staff Meeting @ Parlor**

- Monday, May 20: 10:15 A.M.

#### **Finance Committee Meeting @ Parlor**

- Tuesday, May 21: 2:00 P.M.

### Opportunities to Share

#### **Asbury Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**

- Monday, May 20: 6:15 P.M.

#### **Prayer Circle @ Parlor**

- Wednesday, May 22: 10:30 A.M.

#### **Agape Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**

- Thursday, May 23: 6:15 P.M.

#### **Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room**

- Sunday, May 26: 9:30 A.M.

### *Scripture of the Week*

“I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you.”

- Ezekiel 36:26 -

### June Newsletter Deadline: Friday, May 23rd

Please send articles in “Microsoft Word” format to Sue Beaman at [asburybeacon@gmail.com](mailto:asburybeacon@gmail.com). Please send pictures as an attachment. If you do not have the ability to type your article in “Microsoft Word”, please bring them to the church office and Faith will type them.

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

May 20 **Roxanne Robinson**

May 20 **Rev. Toby Schilling**

May 21 **Steven Marshall**

### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

**Rev. David and Barbara Simmons**

May 23, 1986

### 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", place it in an envelope labeled "Memorial Gift" and place it in the offering plate or send it into the church office by May 31st. If you are paying by check, please make it out to "Asbury UMC" and "Memorial Gift" in the memo. Thank you!**



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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, May 26th*

### **Worship Services:**

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

**Paul Simmons will be preaching**

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

**Pastor Michael Terrell will be preaching**



## **Summer SPECIAL MUSIC**

When the Chancel Choir is off for the summer during July and August, the Anthem spot in the order of worship becomes the spot for Special Music.

We encourage anyone who would like to play or sing to sign up for a Sunday. In the past there have been instrumental solos – flute, clarinet, violin, cello, piano, and guitar to name a few – as well as vocal solos, duets, trios, and quartets.

A sign-up sheet is posted in the bell room off of the sanctuary. The organists are listed for each Sunday, so if you need an accompanist, you can contact them.

Please consider signing up and sharing your gift of music with the congregation, for the glory of God! (If you want to sign up for a certain week and the Special Music spot is filled, please feel free to take the Offertory spot.)

**Contact Cathy Mowers (315-778-5315) with any questions. Thank you!**

### **Asbury Book Club**

**Friday, June 7th, at 10:00 A.M. @ Flower Memorial Library (second floor)**

*The Echo of Old Books* by Barbara Davis

Rare-book dealer Ashlyn Greer's affinity for books extends beyond the intoxicating scent of old paper, ink, and leather. She can feel the echoes of the books' previous owners – an emotional fingerprint only she can read. When Ashlyn discovers a pair of beautifully bound volumes that appear to have been published, her gift quickly becomes an obsession. Not only is each inscribed with a startling incrimination, but the authors, Hemi and Belle, tell conflicting sides of a tragic romance. With no trace of how these mysterious books came into the world, Ashlyn is caught up in a decades-old literary mystery, beckoned by two hearts in ruins, whoever they were, wherever they are. Determined to learn the truth behind the doomed lovers' tale, she reads on, following a trail of broken promises and seemingly unforgivable betrayals. The more Ashley learns about the authors, the nearer she comes to bringing closure to their love story – and to the unfinished chapters of her own life.

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**

**MONDAY-THURSDAY: 10:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.**

#### **PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS:**

**MONDAY-THURSDAY: 10:00 A.M.- NOON**