

**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: 106

Online: 41

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 391

2024 Year-to-Date Total: 6,065

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY**

**Organist:** Lynn Morgan

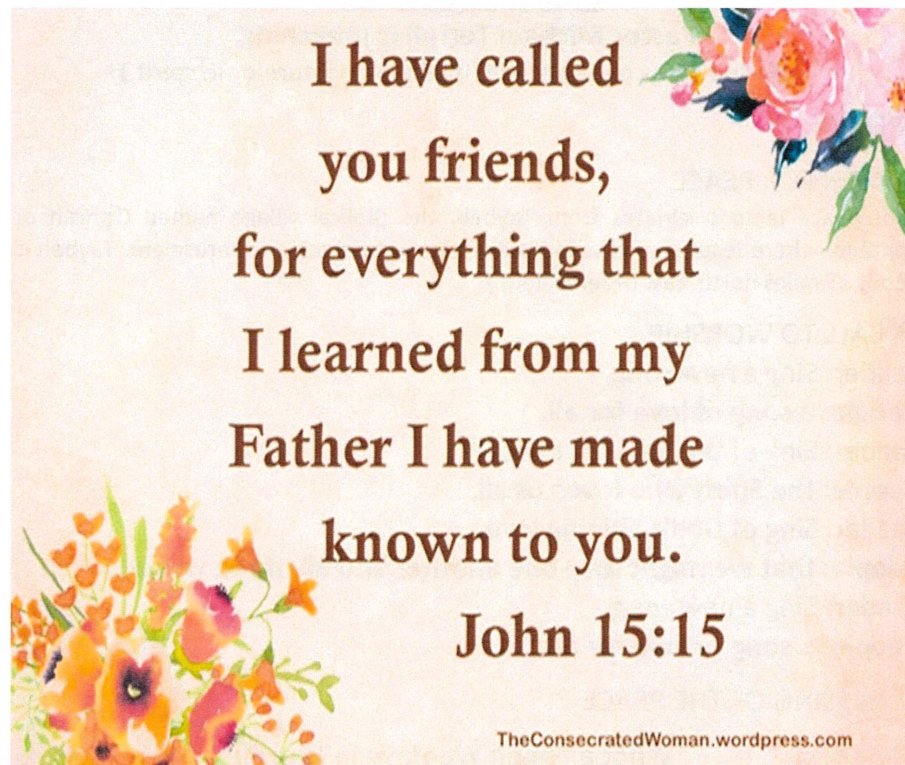
**Chapel Service:** Pastor Michael Terrell

Love one  
♥ ANOTHER ♥  
as I have  
LOVED  
you  
-JOHN 15:12

**ASBURY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**MAY 5, 2024; 8:15 A.M.**

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



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## CENTERING WORDS FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP:

THE HOLY ONE'S STEADFAST LOVE AND FAITHFULNESS ARE SHARED WITH ALL. WE ARE CALLED TO THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT: TO ABIDE IN GOD'S LOVE AND TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS GOD HAS LOVED US – NOT AS SERVANTS, BUT AS FRIENDS.

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching**

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

#### PRELUDE

#### 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: Sing a new song,

**People: a song of love for all.**

Leader: Sing of the Spirit of love,

**People: the Spirit who loves us all.**

Leader: Sing of God's abiding love,

**People: that we might love one another and all of the world.**

Leader: Sing a new song,

**People: a song of love for all.**

#### PASSING OF THE PEACE

 HYMN: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" #526

#### OPENING PRAYER

**God of Love, let your Holy Spirit come upon us – into our hearts, into our minds, and into our souls. Let your presence speak within us – in the languages we speak, in the ways we live and have our being. For we long to hear you, Gracious One, and to understand. We pray that you would abide in us, that we may abide in you, this day and all days. Amen.**

#### 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 John 15: 9-17

#### THE SPOKEN WORD

#### INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been to this sacrament often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come, it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

GIVING AND RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION (Gluten-Free Bread)

#### OFFERING PRAYER

**O God, our hearts sing with thanksgiving for the many gifts and graces you bring to our lives. We give you thanks for your steadfast love and faithful Spirit. Receive this offering and the gift of our whole selves, that we might give as we have received and love as we have been loved. Amen.**

 HYMN: "I Need Thee Every Hour" #397

#### BENEDICTION

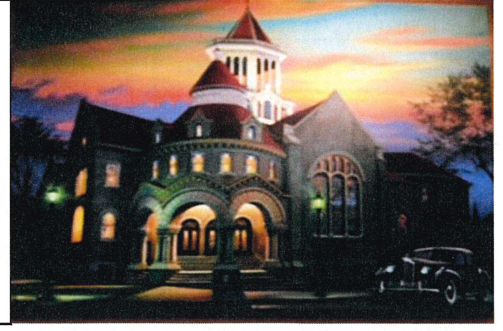
#### POSTLUDE

<p><b>LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:</b> <b>Our home bound and nursing home residents:</b> Jane Alteri, Linda Bennett, Lois Berry, Ellie Cerow, David Heasley, Bill Lennon, and Stevie Mider. <b>Others:</b> Mike Hill, Keri Morris, Mary DeYear, Deb Der, Steven Palmer, Stacy and Kevin Teunissen, Dortha Brown, Sue, Patty, Fred, Doris B., Frank, and Yvonne Cornell.</p>
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# ASBURY UMC

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



## *This Week*

*May 5 - May 12, 2024*

### Meetings

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

- Monday, May 6: 10:15 A.M.

#### **Church Council Meeting @ Parlor**

- Monday, May 6: 4:30 P.M.

#### **Christian Connections Meeting @ Parlor**

- Tuesday, May 7: 6:00 P.M.

### Opportunities to Share

#### **Confirmation Class @ Youth Room**

- TODAY, May 5: 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

#### **Prayer and Healing Service @ Chapel**

- TONIGHT, May 5: 6:00 P.M.

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

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

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

- Wednesday, May 8: 11:00 A.M.

#### **Junior Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary**

- Wednesday, May 8: 4:00 P.M.

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

- Thursday, May 9: 6:15 P.M.

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

- Sunday, May 12: 9:30 A.M.

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



May 7 **Barbara Simmons**  
May 8 **Darlene Welbourn**



### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

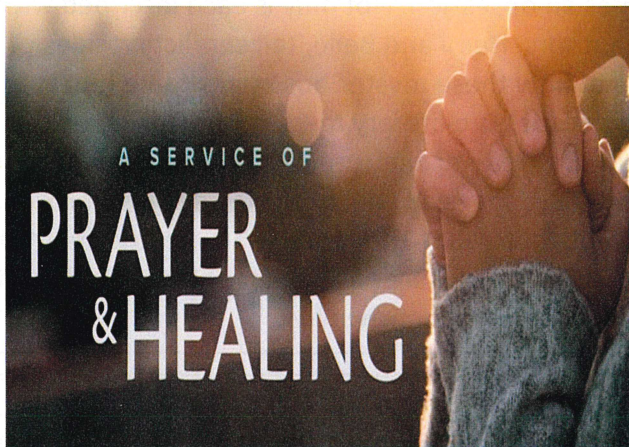


**Terry and Mary MacAdam**  
May 6, 1972



### Prayer and Healing Service

TONIGHT, May 5th, at 6:00 P.M. in the chapel



### Church Council Meeting

**Monday, May 6th @ 4:30 P.M. in the Parlor**  
Committee chairpersons are encouraged to attend.  
All are welcome to attend!

### Scripture of the Week

“A word spoken in due season, how good it is!”

- Proverbs 15:23 -

The Spring Rummage, Plant, and Bake sale brought in \$2610.00! Thank you to all who donated items and baked goods, and helped set up, run, and pack up the sale!

## ASBURY'S STAFF

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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 12th*

### Worship Services:

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

**Wayne Morris will be preaching**

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

**Pastor Michael Terrell will be preaching**



### 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 May 31st. If you are paying by check, please make it out to "Asbury UMC" and "Memorial Gift" in the memo. Thank you!**

Orie Phillips and Lisa Smith - Co-Chairs of the Memorial Committee

### 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