**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: 76

Online: N/A

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 340

2024 Year-to-Date Total: 19,653

#### **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY**

Greeters: Judy Cota, Tamara Klock, and Sue Snell

Liturgist: Krista Juczak

**Organist**: Ghilyana Dordzhieva **Chapel Service**: Wayne Morris

Acolytes: Olivia Lehman, Jaelah Liriano, Anthony Patrick, Abigail Patrick,

Alexander Patrick, Michael Rudd, and Ruzena Rudd

Shepherds: Bonnie Peck and Pam Quimby

**Ushers**: Max Bovee

Lorraine Irwin Orie Phillips Frank Massa

Wayne Morris Dale Scott

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Bill Plemons Kathy Sero

Bill Smith

Lisa Smith Darlene Town Glen Snell Patrick Town

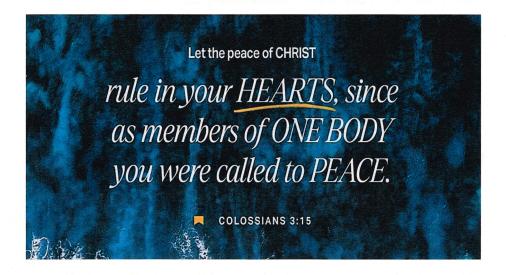
Carol Stoodley Leon VanWie

Dan Webb

#### LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

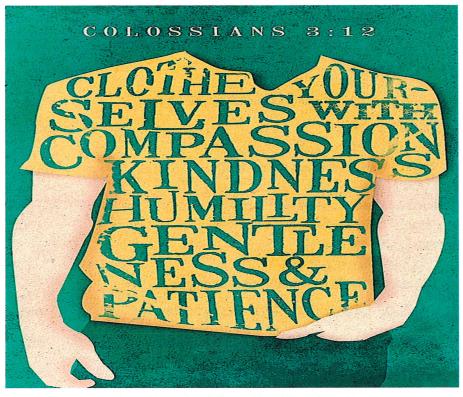
<u>Our home bound and nursing home residents</u>: Linda Bennett, Lois Berry, Shirley Berry, Ellie Cerow, David Heasley, Bill Hickox, and Bill Lennon.

Others: Dawn Baum, Theresa Bierman, Max & Greeta Bovee, Jerry & Dodie Bretsch, Tom Carlisle, Yvonne Cornell, Deb Der, Barbara G., Mike Hill, Keri Morris, David, Frank, Gordon, Kevin, and Patty.



# ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH DECEMBER 29, 2024; 10:15 A.M.

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



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# Asbury Worship Celebration

MAY ALL GOD'S MESSENGERS PRAISE THE LORD!

#### **WE PREPARE**

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

**CELEBRATION GREETINGS & BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

MUSICAL PREPARATION: "Behold, a Rose is Blooming" by J. Brahms

During this time, the Acolyte brings the light of the Holy Spirit into our worship.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

#### **WE UNITE IN PRAISE**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rejoice in the light of life!

We rejoice that God loves us so much.

That God sent us a child,

to teach us the nature of God's call for us.

To show us how God would have us be.

Rejoice in the light of life!

Sing praises, people of God!

We lift our voices in thanksgiving and praise.

he Mountain" #251

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles Creed) #881

₩ GLORIA PATRI #70

#### ... IN PRAYER

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love, we long to hear your voice, but sometimes block our ears to the true words of love you speak into our lives. You offer words of love and acceptance, but we find reason to ignore them or withhold them from others. Be tolerant and forgive us in your love. We yearn to find your perfect bond of unity in our relationships with one another and with the world. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER - WORDS OF ASSURANCE

LORD'S PRAYER #895

#### ... IN SHARING

WELCOME YOUR NEIGHBOR!

SHARING WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

**MISSION MINUTE** 

PARISH JOYS AND CONCERNS/PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (OFFERING)

OFFERTORY: "Sheep May Safely Graze" (from Cantata No. 208)

by J.S. Bach

**M** DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

#### ... IN LISTENING

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR TODAY: Colossians 3: 12-17

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION HYMN SING: Pick your favorite carol or hymn and we will sing one verse!

#### ... IN SERVICE

# HYMN OF DEDICATION: "Let There Be Peace on Earth" #431

**BLESSING** 

POSTLUDE: "Christmas Joy" by St. Scott

The Acolyte takes the light of Christ out into the world.



#### ASBURY UMC

Opportunities to Share Our Love for God and Each Other



# This Week

December 29, 2024 - January 5, 2025

#### **Meetings**

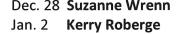
**Asbury Staff Meeting @ Parlor** 

- Monday, December 30: 10:15 A.M.



#### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Dec. 28 Suzanne Wrenn







**Rev. Peter and Catherine Mowers** December 29, 2001



# IN NEED OF

#### Salvation Army

723 State St. Watertown NY **Overnight Warming** Center

7 days per week 11/1/24 - 4/30/25 Open 8:00PM Close 8:00AM



#### Emmanual Congregational Church

119 S. Hamilton St. Watertown NY Community Meals Monday - Friday 11/1/24 - 4/30/25 Open 3:00PM Close 8:00PM

#### **New Life Christian** Church

255 Gaffney Dr. Watertown, NY **Daytime Warming** Center

7 days per week 11/12/24 - 4/30/25 Monday - Friday 8:00AM - 3:00PM Saturday/Sunday 8:00AM - 7:30PM

STAY SAFE & WARM THIS WINTER SEASON!! Anyone needing shelter is welcome to stay.

# **Opportunities to Share**

Agape Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Thursday, January 2: 6:15 P.M.

Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room

- Thursday, January 2: 7:15 P.M.

Asbury Book Club @ Flower Memorial Library

- Friday, January 3: 10:00 A.M.

Men's Fellowship Breakfast @ IHOP

- Saturday, January 4: 8:00 A.M.

Choir Warm-Up @ Choir Room

- Sunday, January 5: 9:30 A.M.

# Scripture of the Week

"They do not rest day or night, saying: 'Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come."

- Revelation 4:8 -

### The Church Office will be closed:

Wednesday, January 1st (New Year's Day).



Would you like to help serve communion? See Frances Goutremout to sign up!





#### **ASBURY'S STAFF**

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FAITH KIRCH

BROADCAST MINISTRY
BOB KURTZ

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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 <u>Next Sunday</u>, <u>January 5th</u>

#### **Worship Services:**

8:15 A.M. in the Chapel: Pastor Michael Terrell will be preaching.

10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:

Pastor Michael Terrell will be preaching.



# 2025 Lenten Study - Mark Your Calendars Now!

How did Jesus teach the Greatest Commandment to his disciples?

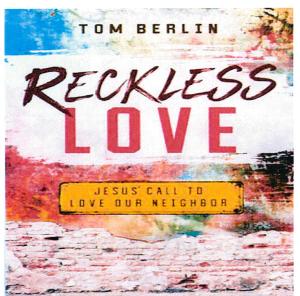
In his latest book *Reckless Love*, author and Pastor, Tom Berlin writes that Jesus taught them to love neighbor first as a way to more deeply love God. In his exploration of Jesus' teaching and travels with his disciples, Berlin suggests that Jesus teaches us how to love God with heart, soul, mind, and strength by showing us how to love our neighbor.

While many hope to learn to be better family, friends, leaders, and neighbors by finding a deeper relationship with God, what if becoming a better neighbor leads you to that deeper love of God?

In Reckless Love, you will consider life, and learn how loving the people around you will completely renew your faith and give you a new experience of loving God.

This six-week Lenten Bible Study begins on Sunday, March 9th at 6:30 P.M. in the parlor. Additional meetings: March 16th, 23rd, 30th, April 6th, and 13th.

We celebrate Easter on Sunday, April 20th, 2025! Mark your calendars now!!



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