

**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: 111

Online: N/A

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: N/A  
2025 Year-to-Date Total: 19,049

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY**

**Liturgist:** Nathan Lehman

**Organist:** Laura Washburn

**Chapel Service:** Jane Eastham

**Coffee Hour:** Christmas Eve Cookie Leftovers

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

**Shepherds:** Bonnie Peck and Pam Quimby

**Ushers:** Max Bovee

Jane Eastham

Lorraine Irwin

Frank Massa

Wayne Morris

Bob Muntz

Orie Phillips(emeritus)

Bill Plemons

Kerry Roberge

Dale Scott

Bill Smith

Lisa Smith

Glen Snell

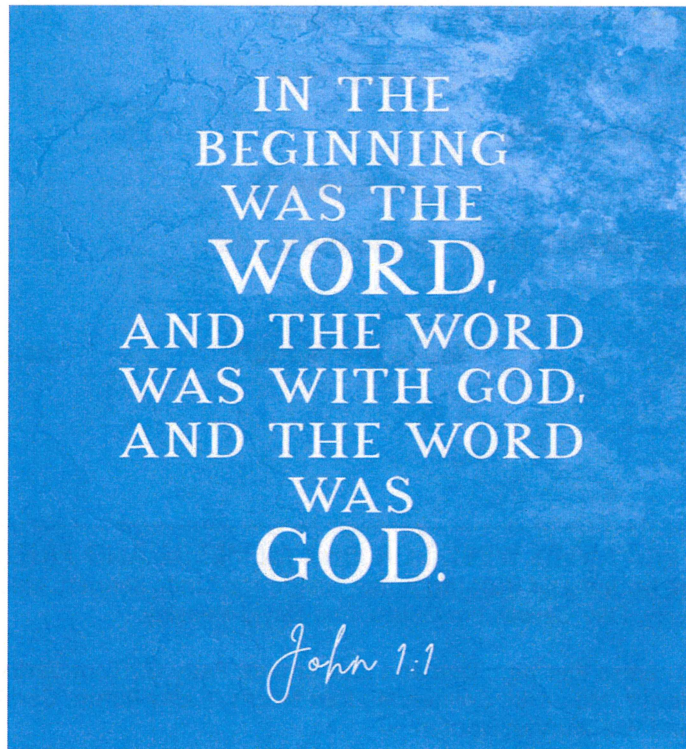
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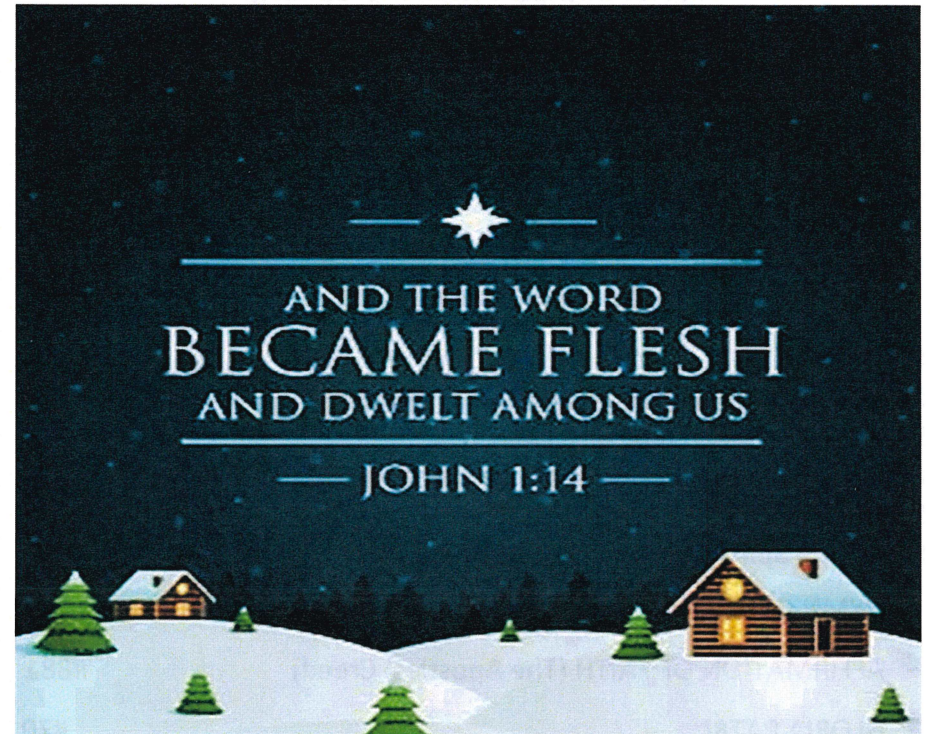
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Dan Webb



**ASBURY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
DECEMBER 28, 2025; 10:15 A.M.**

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# Asbury Worship Celebration

HOW CAN WE SING CHRIST'S PRAISE IN AN IMPERFECT WORLD? BY REMEMBERING THAT WE ARE LIFTED, CARRIED, AND REDEEMED BY GOD'S PERFECT LOVE.

## WE PREPARE

Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching.

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

CELEBRATION GREETINGS & BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL PREPARATION: "What Child Is This?" arr. Wolaver

PRAYER FOR PEACE

## WE UNITE IN PRAISE

 CALL TO WORSHIP

Praise the God of mercy and love.


**Praise God with angels in the highest heavens.**

Praise Christ, who came as a child.

**Praise Christ with all God's children, young and old alike.**

Praise the Holy Spirit, who calls us here.

**Praise the Spirit from the depths of our souls.**

 HYMN OF PRAISE: "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing" #240

 AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed) #881

 GLORIA PATRI #70

## ... IN PRAYER

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS AND INSPIRATION

**Merciful God, we yearn to be merciful and gracious, as you have been merciful and gracious to us. Grant us the mercy to redeem our lives, and give us the strength to live as those who are redeemed. Help us resist the forces of evil and cruelty that kill our hope and destroy our souls. Fill us with your light and love, that we may overflow with mercy, compassion, help, and hope for our world. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER - WORDS OF ASSURANCE

LORD'S PRAYER #895

## ... IN SHARING

WELCOME YOUR NEIGHBOR!

SHARING WITH THE YOUNG DISCIPLES

MISSION MINUTE

GOD MOMENT/PARISH JOYS AND CONCERNS/PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (OFFERING)

OFFERTORY: "Angels from the Realms of Glory Medley" arr. Wolaver

 DOXOLOGY #95

 PRAYER OF DEDICATION


## ... IN LISTENING

 HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Star-Child" #2095

SCRIPTURE FOCUS: John 1: 1-14

PASTORAL REFLECTION

## ... IN SERVICE

 HYMN OF DEDICATION: "Joy to the World" #246

 BLESSING

POSTLUDE: "Joy to the World!" arr. Wolaver

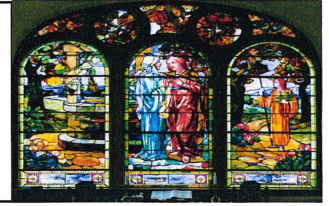
**LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:**  
**Our home bound and nursing home residents:** Linda Bennett, Lois Berry, Shirley Berry, Ellie Cerow, Jim Coutu, and David Heasley.

**Others:** Theresa Bierman, Deb and Rick Brandt, Patty C., Tom Carlisle, Connie Hewitt, Mike Hill, Colleen M., Keri Morris, Kathy Ruhm, Gerald Tucker, and William Van Houten.



# ASBURY UMC

Opportunities to Share Our Love  
for God and Each Other



## This Week: December 28, 2025 - January 4, 2026

### Meetings

**Asbury Staff Meeting @ Parlor**  
- Monday, December 29: 10:15 A.M.

### Opportunities to Share

**Prayer Circle @ Parlor**  
- Wednesday, December 31: 10:30 A.M.

**Choir Warm-Up @ Choir Room**  
- Sunday, January 4: 9:30 A.M.

### Scripture of the Week

“There before me was a throne in heaven with  
someone sitting on it.”  
- Revelation 4:2 -

### Bring Bread for Those in Need!

Bring a loaf or two of sliced  
bread to Asbury on  
Communion Sunday, January 4.

The bread will be taken to the  
Urban Mission Food Pantry and  
distributed to those in need.

**Let's Celebrate!**

### BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



December 28 **Suzanne Wrenn**  
December 29 **Awanda Mills**  
January 2 **Kerry Roberge**



### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK



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



### JANUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!

**Monday, January 5th**

Please email articles and pictures  
to Sue Beaman at  
[asburybeacon@gmail.com](mailto:asburybeacon@gmail.com)  
in WORD format or give them to  
Faith in the church office.



### The Church Office Will Be Closed:

**Thursday, January 1 (New Year's Day).**

**Happy  
New  
Year**

### Urgent Need for Coats, Boots, and Blankets!

The Spare Closet, a free thrift store, is in urgent  
need of coats, boots, and blankets of all sizes.  
Donations may be new or used.  
Located in the basement of First Presbyterian  
Church (403 Washington Street, Watertown).

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#### **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 4*

### **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.**

*Scripture: Ephesians 1: 3-14*

*Message: "Take a Breath, Paul!"*



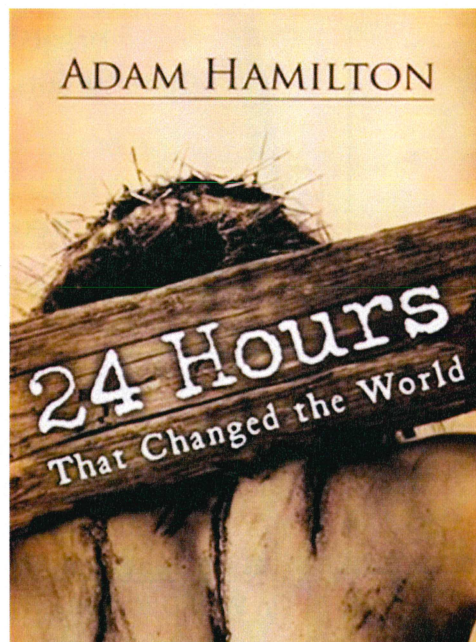
## **Lenten Bible Study for 2026**

Sundays: February 22, March 1, 8, 15, and 22

6:30 P.M. in the Parlor

### **24 Hours That Changed the World**

by Adam Hamilton



Adam Hamilton guides us, step by step, through the last 24 hours of Jesus' life in his popular, heartbreaking, and inspiring book. No single event in human history has received more attention than the suffering and crucifixion of Jesus of Nazareth. In this book, Hamilton will help you experience and understand the significance of Jesus' suffering and death like never before. He retraces the day that changed human history in his usual straightforward yet easy, conversational style that speaks to both long-time Christians and those who are simply curious about the story of Christ's crucifixion.

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

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

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

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