

**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: 75

Online: 25

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 252

2026 Year-to-Date Total: 4,371

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY**

**Greeters:** Karen Boomhower, Jim Juczak, and Awanda Mills

**Liturgist:** Lindsay Webb

**Organist:** Ghilyana Dordzhieva

**Chapel Service:** Rev. David Simmons

**Coffee Hour:** Trustees

**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

Kerry Roberge

Glen Snell

River Bogart

Dale Scott

Carol Stoodley

Jane Eastham

Cindy Sealing

Darlene Town

Lorraine Irwin

Randy Sealing

Patrick Town

Frank Massa

Bill Smith

Leon VanWie

Wayne Morris

Lisa Smith

Dan Webb

Bob Muntz

**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, and Jim Coutu.

**Others:** April, Gary, Kate, Katherine, Deb and Rick Brandt, Patty C., Mike Hill, Gerald Holder, Colleen M., Keri Morris, Kathy Ruhm, Gerald Tucker, and William Van Houten.

*Today's bulletin is  
sponsored by Sandy  
Johnson. Thank you, Sandy!*

**ASBURY  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
MARCH 15, 2026; 10:15 A.M.**

*To Form Disciples of Jesus Christ Who, Empowered by The Holy Spirit, Love Boldly, Serve Joyfully, and Lead Courageously in Local Communities and Worldwide Connections.*



Then Jesus told him, "I entered this world to render judgment—to give sight to the blind and to show those who think they see that they are blind."

John 9:39

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## Asbury Worship Celebration

OPEN THE EYES OF MY HEART, O GOD. HELP US SEE  
MORE CLEARLY, THINK MORE OPENLY, FEEL MORE  
DEEPLY, AND LOVE MORE ABUNDANTLY.

### WE PREPARE

**Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching.**

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

CELEBRATION GREETINGS & BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUSICAL PREPARATION: "The Old Rugged Cross" arr. by Dobrinski  
Asbury Ringers

CHOIR INTROIT: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Watts/Miller

PRAYER FOR PEACE

### WE UNITE IN PRAISE

 CALL TO WORSHIP

Come into the light of God.


**Christ's brightness will guide our way.**

Come into the wisdom of God.

**The Spirit's insight will reveal new truths.**

Come into the praise of God.

**Worship opens new doors in our hearts.**

 HYMN OF PRAISE: "Lift High the Cross" #159

 AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed) #881

 GLORIA PATRI #70

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Behold the Cross" arr. Marty Hamby

### ... IN PRAYER

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS AND INSPIRATION

**Christ our Healer, we want to see and be seen fully. We long to heal and be healed fully. We yearn to love and be loved fully. Yet, these desires seem beyond our reach when our minds are set on**

**earthly things. Set our minds instead on you. Help us perceive the possibilities of fullness, of shalom, of your realm on this earth. Then guide us to help live into the reality you show us. 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

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE/CHORAL RESPONSE

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (OFFERING)

OFFERTORY: "Christ, Who Makes Us Blessed" by J.S. Bach

 DOXOLOGY #95

 PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### ... IN LISTENING

 HYMN OF PREPARATION: "Lead Me, Guide Me" (2x) #2214

SCRIPTURE FOCUS: John 9: 1-41

PASTORAL REFLECTION: "Sent"

### ... IN SERVICE

 HYMN OF DEDICATION: "Be Thou My Vision" #451

BLESSING

CHORAL BENEDICTION: "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" Crosby  
Doane

POSTLUDE: "Laudation" by G. Martin



# ASBURY UMC

Opportunities to Share Our Love  
for God and Each Other



**This Week: March 15 - March 22, 2026**



## Meetings

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

- Monday, March 16: 10:15 A.M.

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

- Tuesday, March 17: 2:00 P.M.

### **New Day Board Meeting @ Parlor**

- Wednesday, March 18: NOON

## Coins for Lent Activity Calendar

Calendar copies are available in the Rotunda.

### **Sunday, March 15, Prayer**

"God, help us shine your love and kindness  
wherever we go."

Pray today, thanking God for love in your life  
that shines as bright as the brightest light.  
Pray for those who are in darkness and need  
to feel God's love and grace in their lives.

### **Lenten Coin Project Activities This Week:**

- 3/16:** A coin for every box of Band-Aids® in your house.
- 3/17:** A coin for every bottle of vitamins in your house.
- 3/18:** A coin for every bottle of Tylenol® in your house.
- 3/19:** A coin for every tube of Chapstick® in your house.
- 3/20:** A coin for every toothbrush and tube of toothpaste in your house.
- 3/21:** A coin for every cough drop/throat lozenge in your house.

On **Easter Sunday**, bring in your "Coins for Lent" collection. Funds raised will be donated to the Salvation Army.

For more information, check out:  
<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/articles/coins-for-lent-2026>  
or contact Sarah Lehman at 315-767-2641.

## Opportunities to Share

### **Lenten Bible Study w/ Pastor @ Parlor**

- TODAY, March 15: 6:30 P.M.

### **Asbury Ringers Practice @ Sanctuary**

- Monday, March 16: 6:15 P.M.

### **Kitchen Cleaning @ Wesley Hall**

- Tuesday, March 17: 9:00 A.M.

### **Prayer Service @ First UMC**

- Tuesday, March 17: 6:00 P.M.

### **Quilting Ministry @ Sunday School Room**

- Wednesday, March 18: 9:00 A.M.

### **Prayer Circle @ Parlor**

- Wednesday, March 18: 10:30 A.M.

### **APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!**

- Thursday, March 19

### **Choir Practice @ Choir Room**

- Thursday, March 19: 5:15 P.M.

### **Agape Ringers Practice @ Sanctuary**

- Thursday, March 19: 6:15 P.M.

### **Choir Warm-Up @ Choir Room**

- Sunday, March 22: 9:30 A.M.

### **Lenten Bible Study w/ Pastor @ Parlor**

- Sunday, March 22: 6:30 P.M.

**Let's Celebrate!**

## BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

March 16 **Patrick Town**

March 16 **Virginia Syrotchon**

March 18 **Connor Lamica**

## **APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: Thursday, Mar. 19**

Email articles/pictures in WORD format to Sue Beaman,  
[asburybeacon@gmail.com](mailto:asburybeacon@gmail.com), or give them to Faith in the  
church office.

We will be cleaning the downstairs kitchen on  
**Tuesday, March 17, at 9:00 A.M.** If you would like  
to help, please bring your own cleaning  
preferences. Thank you!

## ASBURY'S STAFF

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### THE VISION OF ASBURY

*To Form Disciples of Jesus Christ  
Who, Empowered by The Holy Spirit,  
Love Boldly, Serve Joyfully,  
and Lead Courageously in Local  
Communities and Worldwide  
Connections.*

### 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: March 22

### Worship Services:

**8:15 A.M. in the Chapel:**  
Lindsay Webb will be preaching.

**10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:**  
Pastor Michael Terrell will be preaching.

Scripture: John 11: 1-45  
Message: "When the Way Means  
Staying Home"



### "On the Way with Jesus"

A sermon series, delivered by Pastor Michael, guiding the congregation through the Lenten season, culminating on Easter Sunday.

Sunday, March 22: *When the Way Means Staying Home* - John 11:1-45

Palm Sunday, March 29: *When the Way Is Hard* - Matthew 26:14-27:66

Easter Sunday, April 5: *Forgiven* - Matthew 28:1-10

### Happy Period North Country - Donations Appreciated

Women in Faith is sponsoring Happy Period North Country. A collection box is in the back of the rotunda for donations of tampons and maxi pads.

**Women in Faith will hold a meeting in the parlor at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 28th, followed by a "Packing Party" to package the collected supplies.**

Any questions, contact Sarah Lehman at 315-767-2641.

### Easter Egg Hunt

**Sunday, March 29, after the 10:15 A.M. service**

The congregation will hide eggs in the sanctuary. A collection box is in the back of the rotunda for donations of individually wrapped candy or small non candy items. We also need larger sized plastic eggs this year.

**We will pack the eggs on Sunday, March 22, after the 10:15 A.M. service.**

Any questions, contact Sarah Lehman at 315-767-2641.



**Fri., Apr. 17 & Sat., Apr. 18**  
**8:30 AM - 1:30 PM**  
**200 Parker St., Watertown**

Fill the room downstairs in Wesley Hall with all the treasures you are ready to give to others: furniture, jewelry, kitchen items, small appliances (clean and working), tools, summer decorations, puzzles, books, toys, craft supplies, antiques, recipe books, etc.

Baked goods are needed for the bake sale. Asbury pie makers are the best! Make them ahead of time, freeze them, ready to be baked.