

THIS WEEK AT ASBURY

SUNDAY — 9:30 AM Worship
MONDAY — 1:00 PM GriefShare Support Group
TUESDAY — 2:15 PM Child Care Meeting
WEDNESDAY — 1:30 PM Chair Yoga
SATURDAY — 9:00–11:00 AM Food Closet

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Kathleen Cialini August 17

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Come Be Part of Children’s Church!

Pastor Liz is looking for a few wonderful volunteers to help with Children’s Church on Tuesday mornings at 10:30 AM for the children in our Early Learning Center. This is a wonderful opportunity to share God’s love, make a difference in a child’s life, and have some fun along the way. You don’t need to be a teacher—just a willing heart and a love for children! If you can help, please let Pastor Liz know. We’d love to have you be part of this special ministry!

OUR STAFF

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Church Office: Monday–Friday, 8:30 AM–1:30 PM
Pastor: Tuesday–Friday, 9:30 AM–1:00 PM
For non-emergencies outside these hours, please email instead of texting. Thank you for supporting healthy rest and response rhythms!

PRAYERS NEEDED

Gene Small
Reese Harding
Merle Ciesielski
Sheri Jackson Wood
Friends at Home
Helen Serfass
Betty Ann Short
Bill Munion
Those in Assisted Living
Cadia Broad Meadow: Dora Coursey
Country Rest Home: George Teed
Harmony at Glasgow: Shirley Garvine

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Love God. Grow In Faith. Serve Others.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026



Welcome

Passing of the Peace, Birthday’s, Anniversaries’
Thanksgiving and Prayer Requests
Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn: (On Screen) Standing on Holy Ground

Call to Worship (Congregational Response in Bold)
Family of God, we gather today to unite our voices and our lives in praise to God!
How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity!
Family of God, today we come as diverse and unique members of the Body of Christ to learn and grow not in uniformity but in unity to love God, self, neighbor, and all creation.
How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity! Thanks be to God! Amen.

*Hymn My Faith Looks Up to Thee UMH No. 452

Opening Prayer (In Unison)
Maker of Our Days, you created each of us unique beings with differing strengths and weaknesses.
Help us not only to use our strengths to assist others but also to allow others to use their strengths to meet our weaknesses.
Fill us with your presence, invigorate our worship, set us on fire so that others might be drawn into your light and nurtured by the warmth of your loving care.

Old Testament Reading Genesis 45:3-4, 7-9 OT. Pg. No.42

Scripture Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 OT. Pg. No.686

**stand if you are willing and able*



Old Testament Reading: Psalm 133:1-3 NT. Pg. No.575

Prayer of the Confession

---At this time, please lift up your prayers and joys---

ALL: **Maker of our days, we acknowledge your presence and redeeming power. We repent of our sin of independence from you and of the divisions that separate us from each other and from you. May we learn to see each other and you see us. May we learn to forgive as you have forgiven us. Help us to be as you call us, one in heart and mind. Help us to be as you call us, one in heart and mind.**

Pastor: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are ALL forgiven.

The Lord’s Prayer

The Message Unity of Praise Rev. Liz Marrero

***Hymn** Great is Thy Faithfulness Vs. 1&3 UMH No. 140

WORSHIPPING with our TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Because God gave first

**Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Red Hymnal No. 95

Pastor: Loving God, giver of all things, receive and bless the gifts we have brought. Teach us to use them wisely and to bless others. May we continue to enjoy and re-joice in the blessing of giving. AMEN.

***Hymn** Standing on the Promises Vs. 1&4 UMH No. 374

*Benediction

***Sending Song** Get All Excited and Tell Everybody

ANNOUNCEMENTS

News, events and ways to connect with the Asbury family

GRANDPARENTS APPRECIATION DAY

Asbury is getting ready to celebrate some very special people — our grandparents! Join us for Grandparents Appreciation Day on Sunday, September 13th! We’re planning a special day to honor, celebrate, and show our grandparents just how much they mean to our families and our church family. Details are coming soon. So mark your calendars, spread the word, and get ready for a wonderful day filled with love, laughter, and appreciation! **September 13th after the worship service — You won’t want to miss it!**

CHURCH HISTORY

Many thanks to everyone who has put information, photos, and/or items into our Church History box in the back of the sanctuary. Please keep them coming! But we need more helpers in order to move forward with this project! The committee will reconvene in September and plans to meet the first & third Wednesday of each month until Phase 1 is completed. Phase 1 is: sorting through photos, news clippings & documents, identifying people in photos, & organizing everything in chronological order. Many of the photos & news clippings are fading & disintegrating, because they’ve been haphazardly stored in boxes for decades, so we need to preserve these precious memories of our church's history before it's too late! This is a time-consuming task, so we hope a few of you will find it in your heart to join us in our mission. Long-time church members would be ideal, but anyone can help! Remember..."Many hands make the work load lighter." Call or text Janet Jackson at 302-388-7795 if you have questions or suggestions or would like to help. Thank you! NEXT MEETINGS: Wednesday, Sept. 2 & Sept. 16 - 10 to 11:30 am in the Memorial Lounge.

MANY THANKS!

Pastor Liz, I would personally like to thank you for bringing such renewed energy and excitement to our Sunday worship services! So many of us have shared that we leave church feeling refreshed, uplifted, and excited about the week ahead. Your enthusiasm for getting to know our congregation, becoming involved in our church family, and bringing your positive attitude, lively spirit, and sense of humor to Asbury has truly lifted our spirits. It is wonderful to see the congregation energized and to feel a renewed sense of hope for the future of our church. And thankfully, we are already beginning to see some wonderful things happening at Asbury! **Thank you, God, for Pastor Liz!**
Peace & Hope,
Janet Jackson