



Asbury Church
a United Methodist
Community

JUNE 2, 2016



faith in action... imagine your life changed.

Our Vision Statement

In all aspects of our lives, we will strive to be disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

PASSIONATE WORSHIP

SUNDAY SERVICES

HERITAGE WORSHIP
8:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP
9:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary

OPEN DOOR WORSHIP
5:00 p.m. in the Worship Center

Senior Pastor
Eric S. Yeakel

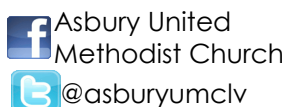
SUNDAY MORNING CHILDCARE

During our 9:30 Worship Service and Sunday School time, we have childcare for infants through three year olds. During our 11:00 Service, we have childcare available for infants through PreK.

OFFICE HOURS

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Publicity Requests:
<http://publicityform.asburylv.org/>



PASTOR'S COLUMN

This week in worship you will notice new prayer request cards in the pews. The cards are designed to help us organize and enhance the prayer request process. Prayer is a vital part of our ministry at Asbury and your prayer requests are lifted up by a variety of pastors, staff and members of our church. On the front of the card is information regarding the prayer request process and where your prayer requests go after submitting the card. Please take some time to read the cards.

One of the steps in the prayer request process is to print prayer concerns in *The Vine*, our weekly newsletter, for one week. Due to privacy concerns, we will only print requests that are for you or your immediate family members. If you are submitting a prayer request for a non-family member we will only print it in the Vine if you have permission. Please note on the card that you have permission and then we will print it. The prayer concerns for non-family members will be prayed for by our same network of prayer warriors, but they will not be printed in the Vine without permission.

This year's Asbury In Mission (AIM) Indoor Yard Sale is on Saturday, 6/18, from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the Wesley Center. If you have items you wish to donate for this sale, you may drop off gently used, clean items in the enclosed hallway outside the Wesley Center starting Sunday, 6/12.

See you in worship!
Pastor Eric

SUMMER ADULT INQUIRERS CLASSES

Interested in more information about Asbury, or wish to join the church? Join us for our summer session of Adult Inquirers Classes! We will meet on three Wednesdays from 6:10-7:50 PM: June 15, July 20, and August 17. This session will run concurrently with Kids Club, a fun ministry time for children Age 4 through 5th Grade, which includes dinner, gym time & crafts. Contact Laurie Wallace Theisen, Director of Lay Ministries (ltheisen@asburylv.org or 610-398-2577) by **June 13**.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

On Sunday, 6/19, we will begin our Summer Worship schedule.

9:00 AM	Contemporary Service, Sanctuary
9:00 AM	Sunday School
10:30 AM	Traditional Service, Sanctuary
5:00 PM	Open Door Alternative Worship, Worship Center

This summer schedule will run through Sunday, 9/4.

Please mark your calendars and join us on Sunday, 6/26, after the 9:00 or 10:30 services in the Community Room/Parlor to honor Pastor Glenn Asquith, who is retiring at the end of June after 7 years as our Director of Congregational Care.



UMW NEWS

UMW SUMMER COLLECTIONS: Do you want to recycle and repurpose postage stamps, Campbell's education labels, cell phones and eyeglasses? The UMW ladies collect these items all year long, as well as personal items for the Sixth Street Shelter, Daybreak and the Allentown Ecumenical Food Bank. The Food Bank is in desperate need of soups, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit and cereal. You'll find assigned bins by the UMW bulletin board on the lower level of the church near the elevator. We thank you and wish you a fun-filled summer!

SUSANNA CIRCLE will meet at 6:30 PM on Monday, 6/6, for a tour of the George Taylor House at the corner of Poplar and Lehigh in Catasauqua. After the tour we will go to Heide Brubaker's home (557 Howertown Road in Catasauqua) for dessert and fellowship. Call Heide (610-264-9811) with questions. All women are welcome

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE will meet for lunch at 11:30 AM on Thursday, 6/9, at Gio Italian Grille, 6465 Village Lane & Route 100, Macungie, across from Mack Trucks. If you wish to attend and did not sign up at the May meeting, please call Karen Kutteroff at 610-398-7491 for a reservation by Sunday, 6/5. Anyone wanting to carpool should meet in the lower level of Asbury at 10:45 AM. All women are welcome. The Circle will not meet again until 9/8.

PRISCILLA CIRCLE will meet for their annual picnic at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, 6/14, at Gail Palazzo's home. Those attending are asked to bring a dish to share - please RSVP by 6/12 to Gail (610-395-5898 or G2E3P@ptd.net).

P.E.P. CLUB END-OF-YEAR LUNCHEON



Friday, June 17, 2016
Beginning at 11:30 AM in the Parlor/CR
Board provides Hot Dogs & Beverages
Last Names A-M bring Desserts
Last Names N-Z bring Salads
"All in Good Time" Barbershop Quartet
This will be our last meeting until September.

PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY NEWS:

- A Parish Nurse Conference, open to the community, will be held at Asbury on 6/9. Brochures and registration forms are available at the Welcome Desk on the lower level or on the Asbury website.
- The next blood drive at Asbury is scheduled for 6/26. Contact Doris Farrar (lafalot111@hotmail.com or 610-395-2749) for more information on any of these items.



JULY 17-23

Our high school youth and leaders are preparing for their annual mission trip to Philippi, West Virginia and we are asking for your help. Please consider supporting this important mission by donating some needed food items. Each individual pays to participate in this trip, but the money needs to cover not just the cost of meals, but also construction materials and supplies. You can find out what is needed by looking for the donation board outside the Sanctuary on Sunday. Each roof tile on the house has a needed item listed. Pull off the tile, pick up your items, and return to church in the bins near the elevator marked "WV Donations" by Sunday, 7/3. If you would like to make a monetary donation instead, please indicate WV Work Week Kitchen in the memo line. Please contact Kim Campbell if you have any questions (610-351-7133 or kacampbell91@gmail.com).



PRAYERS OF OUR CONGREGATION

For those who are sick or in the hospital

Lord, we ask your mercy and healing for all those currently hospitalized, in rehab or recently discharged, especially Alma Davis and Dale Begany. Have mercy on all those in pain.

For those who need your special help

Lord, we affirm that your power is infinite and that you love us all like a devoted parent. Gratefully acknowledging your love and mercy toward us, we remember these people who need your special help: Kim Peters-Rea, daughter of Doris Peters, for healing from a drug resistant virus and pneumonia. Linda Packard, SueAnn Webb's mother, who recently suffered a stroke in Myrtle Beach. We lift up Bill Mehrtens as he awaits test results. Susan Peter asks healing for Donna. Shirley Nylund asks healing for her mother, Sylvia Nylund, who fell last week. We pray for our neighbors down the street at Temple Beth El, who experienced a fire with smoke and water damage. We pray for Skip Slaski as he anticipates surgery in the coming week and Trevor Williams as he faces a new health concern.

For those who mourn

Lord, we ask comfort for all who mourn the loss of loved ones, especially Eugene Litwhiler and Carol Lenhart, on the sudden passing of their son and brother, Donald Litwhiler. Reassure them of your unending mercy and eternal love.

Come Holy Spirit, make your home within us. Inspire and guide us to be faithful, compassionate and joyful followers of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For our congregation

We thank you, O God, for all your mercies and blessings on this church and congregation.

For our children

For our children, Lord, we ask that they feel the reality of your presence every moment, and that they understand how important it is to walk in the path of Christ.

For the world, its people and its leaders

Wherever there is a poverty of hope, Lord, we ask your presence there. We lift up all those who feel helpless and lost that they might know the joy and peace of your salvation.

With thanksgiving for our joys

Everything we have we owe to you, Lord, and we are ever grateful. Barry Olphin shares a joy to wish Debi a Happy Birthday, knowing that "age is just a number and hers is unlisted!"

For the missions we support

Today we pray for Asbury's clean water ministry providing a source of safe drinking water for villages in Lofa and Bong Counties in Liberia. Since 2013, Asbury and friends of Asbury have funded 9 wells which have been dug and installed under the direction of our friend and mission partner, James Wymon, District Lay Leader. We thank God for donations received and donations to come as well as James Wymon's leadership.

INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

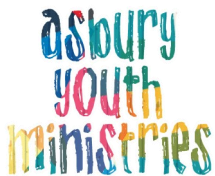
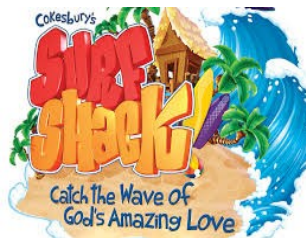


Contact Pam Unrath,
Director of Children's Ministries,
for information on all
Children's Ministries activities & opportunities
(punrath@asburylv.org or 610-398-2577).

Child care is available each week at the 9:30 AM Worship Service for infants and one-year-olds in Room 214 and for two-year-olds in Room 223. Child care is also provided during the 11:00 AM Worship Service in Room 223.

Children's Sunday School: This Sunday, 6/5, children in Kindergarten through Grade 5 will begin an 8-week exploration of what faith really means. This week we will be looking at The Gospels and how the story of Jesus changes everything. Please be sure to stop by the Worship Center to get your copy of the Parent Cue sheets and this week's devotional guide at the beginning of BLAST.

VBS will be held July 25 – 29 (9:00 AM to 12:00 PM), for children Age 4 through Grade 5. This high energy, fun-filled week allows children to learn, grow and experience God's love as they participate in Music, Games, Story-telling, Art & Science Workshops and Snack Time each day. Registration forms are available in the Community Room, the Church Office and in the Worship Center at the beginning of BLAST. Please register before 7/8 to avoid a late fee.



Contact Aaron Forney, Director of Youth Ministries,
for information on all
Youth Ministries activities & opportunities
(aforney@asburylv.org or 610-398-2577).

High Schoolers: Student registration for the West Virginia High School Work Week, our annual mission trip to serve in Philippi, WV, is now open! Visit www.asburyym.org/wv2016 for more information and to register now! The trip is July 17-23, 2016.

Seniors: On Sunday, 6/12, we'll be recognizing all seniors in worship. If you have not yet done so, we'd love for you to send the following information in: a senior picture, the high school you attended, your future plans (which college or what's next), and your favorite Asbury memory. Information can be submitted to Aaron Forney at aforney@asburylv.org and must be received by Thursday, 6/9, to be part of the recognition in worship. Watch for details on an upcoming seniors-only activity to celebrate your accomplishments!

The temperature is heating up, which means wardrobes are getting skimpier. But is the way we dress appropriate for God's idea of modesty? Join the discussion in our lesson "MODESTY: What it Means to God and Us." **Youth Group meets Sunday nights from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the Youth Lounge.**

Sunday School is a chance for us to dig into our faith and dissect what it means for our lives, all while we get to know each other more as we work to live as part of God's community.

◇ **Middle School Sunday School:** The story of Noah is well-known throughout the world. We often remember the story because of animals going 2 by 2, a 40-day rain, flooding, a dove, and a rainbow. But what's really going on in this story and how is it important for our relationship with God? Middle School Sunday School meets Sunday mornings, 9:30 to 10:30 AM in Room 106.

◇ **High School Sunday School:** All year we're exploring topics related to loving our neighbor. Come explore new ground with us this week! High School Sunday School meets Sunday mornings, 9:30 to 10:30 AM in the Youth Lounge.

Keep up-to-date with us online! Sign up for our [weekly email](#) and visit www.asburyym.org or check our [Facebook page](#), [Twitter feed](#), or [Instagram feed](#). No accounts are required to access any of the social media accounts.

RISK-TAKING MISSION AND SERVICE



CHANGE FOR CHANGE

is designated for the Christian Camping Program of the Eastern PA Conference of the United Methodist Church. Please place your contributions in the "Change For Change" containers at the rear of the Sanctuary or in the Worship Center.



INDOOR YARD SALE WESLEY CENTER ~ SATURDAY, 6/18 8:00 AM TO 1:00 PM

Gently used, clean items may be dropped off in the enclosed hallway outside the Wesley Center, starting Sunday, 6/12, through Thursday, 5/16. No TVs, computers or clothing, please! Volunteers are needed to sort and price items from Monday 6/13 to Friday 6/17, starting at 9:00 AM each day, and also the day of the sale. Call Jenn Springer (610-395-7812) or Wendy Huszar (610-797-8456) for more information and to volunteer.



THE GREAT AMERICAN BAKE SALE will be held in connection with the Asbury In Mission Yard Sale on Saturday, 6/18, from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Proceeds will go to *No Kid Hungry*, to feed hungry children in our country. Please contact Judy Kemmerer (610-799-2287 or jkemm@ptd.net) to contribute a baked good, to help with set up, or to work the day of the sale.

Weekly Calendar



Sunday, June 5 / Communion

- 8:00 a.m. Heritage Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:15 a.m. God's Rainbow - 200
- 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School All Ages
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. Open Door Alternative Worship - Worship Ctr.
- 6:00 p.m. Sunday Night Dinner - Wesley Center
- 6:30 p.m. Cookson VBS Meeting - Aldersgate
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Group - 108/YL

Monday, June 6

- 5:45 p.m. Dancing Stars Ballet Class - Parlor
- 6:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 12 - Wesley Center/106
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Praise Band - Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Sr. High Girls - Offsite

Tuesday, June 7

- 12:30 p.m. Program Staff Meeting - Aldersgate
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Volleyball - Wesley Center
- 7:00 p.m. OA - 108

Wednesday, June 8

- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Group - 231
- 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study - 108
- 1:00 p.m. AA (Open) - Wesley Center
- 6:00 p.m. Gress Mountain Ranch Board Mtg. - Aldersgate
- 6:30 p.m. Asbury Quilters - 204
- 7:00 p.m. Summer Harmony Rehearsal - Worship Center

Thursday, June 9

- 8:00 a.m. Parish Nurse Retreat - Wesley Ctr/106/108
- 6:00 p.m. Open Door Band Rehearsal - Worship Center
- 7:00 p.m. NARANON - 108
- 7:00 p.m. Troop 12 Committee Meeting - Aldersgate

Friday, June 10

- 1:00 p.m. AA (Open) - Wesley Center
- 7:00 p.m. Campbell Court of Honor Rehearsal - Sanctuary

Saturday, June 11

- 8:30 a.m. Asbury Basketball - Wesley Center

Sunday, June 12

- 8:00 a.m. Heritage Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:15 a.m. God's Rainbow - 200
- 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship - Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School All Ages
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
- 1:30 p.m. AIM Yard Sale Set Up - Wesley Center
- 2:00 p.m. Campbell Eagle Court of Honor - Sanctuary
- 3:00 p.m. Campbell Eagle Court of Honor Reception - Parlor
- 5:00 p.m. Open Door Alternative Worship - Worship Ctr.
- 6:00 p.m. Sunday Night Dinner - Wesley Center
- 6:30 p.m. Youth Group - 108/YL



June 5, 2016

"Evil, Corruption and the Grief of God"

Genesis 6:5-8, 11-13

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