



**Asbury Church**  
a United Methodist  
Community

**JUNE 2, 2013**

# THE VINE

*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

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP  
8:00 AM in the Sanctuary

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP  
9:30 AM in the Sanctuary

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP  
11:00 AM in the Sanctuary

OPEN DOOR WORSHIP  
11:00 AM in the Wesley Center

Teaching Pastors  
Mark Moore and Eric Yeakel

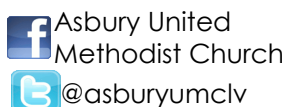
### SUNDAY MORNING CHILDCARE

During our 9:30 Sunday School time, we have separate infants/one-year olds, and two year old childcare classes. During our 11:00 Services, we have childcare available for infants through PreK.

### OFFICE HOURS

8 AM to 4 PM, M—F  
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<http://publicityform.asburylv.org/>



## GRADUATION RECOGNITION SUNDAY

This Sunday will be Graduation Recognition Sunday. In each of our services we will take a moment to recognize graduates from High School, College and Graduate School. For many of the graduates this is an exciting time of celebration. However, this is also a time of apprehension as they conclude one chapter in their lives and prepare for a new one.

All of us go through transitions in life, and it is important to remember that transitions begin with an "end." Therefore successful transitions begin with letting go. Even the best transitions require us to lose something in order to grab hold of the future. In our culture we tend to move far too fast from one phase of life to the next. We rarely take time to identify what we are losing. A successful transition requires taking time to let go and mourn our loss.

Successful transitions also require having the courage to move forward when the winds of change are blowing. This requires trust in God. This kind of trust grows gradually as we understand God's love for us more and more. This is the key! We will trust God to the degree we know we are loved by God.

All of us are going to know times of endings and beginnings. As we prepare to recognize our graduates this Sunday, let us pray that God will help them let go of the past and give them the faith to trust Him with their future.

*Pastor Eric*



## ATTENTION WORSHIP COORDINATORS

You are encouraged to attend a catch-up/feedback discussion session on Sunday, 6/9, at 12:30 PM, following the 11:00 AM worship services. We will meet in Room 217 (Pioneer Classroom). Lunch will be provided. Thanks!



**DO YOU HAVE A PASSION FOR MUSIC?** Do you sing and/or play an instrument? Would you like to share your gift of music with the people of Asbury? Special musical numbers are needed for the summer Sanctuary services – solo, duet, trio, quartet, small group – whatever! Simply sign up on the sheet outside the Choir Room (102), and include a phone number or email address. You may choose to sing at one, two, or all three of the Sanctuary worship services. If you need an accompanist, please contact the keyboard person listed for the Sunday you wish to volunteer. Then call or email the church office with the name of your selection. That's all there is to it!

**IF YOU BORROWED THE BINDING MACHINE FROM THE WORKROOM, WE'D APPRECIATE KNOWING YOU HAVE IT AND WHEN IT MIGHT BE RETURNED.**



# RADICAL HOSPITALITY

## Congregational Life & Care

**CARING IN A NUTSHELL** (Grief Support Lunch) will be held from 12:30 to 2:00 PM on Monday, 6/3, in the Aldersgate Room. Contact Doris Farrar (610-395-2749) to let her know you will attend.

**A CPR/FIRST AID TRAINING** will be held Wednesday, 6/5, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM in the Wesley Center. All are welcome! Certification is through the American Safety & Health Institute. \$5.00 donation is suggested. Contact Linda Smith or Amy Wood in the office to register.

**THE SALEM THRIFT SHOP** needs donations of sheets and towels, clean and in good condition, for resale in the shop. Leave items in the large tub in the maintenance room.

**PRAYER AND SHARE TOGETHER:** Asbury regularly hosts two Christian support groups for Lehigh Valley women: one for women with loved ones who are struggling with emotional issues such as depression, anxiety, bipolar; and another for those who are afflicted themselves. Next meetings for both groups: Tuesday, 6/11, from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. in Rooms 208/210. Topic: "Why and How to Pray." Call Linda Curry Bartholomew (610-395-8756) for information

**EMERGENCY SHELTER:** In the event of an emergency (such as a power outage or severe weather conditions), Asbury can become a shelter for members of the congregation and community. We have shower and kitchen facilities, camp pads and internet connections. The church answering service will be prepared to help with any information you may require and will arrange to have someone meet you at the church.



**SUSANNA CIRCLE** will meet at 6:30 PM on Monday, 6/10, at the home of Jon Roylance, a potter who also teaches at Allen High School. The address is 2329 Tilghman Street, Allentown (610-432-2608). Jon will tell us about raku and stoneware pottery, and there will be an opportunity to purchase some of his designs. Afterward, we will have a brief meeting and dessert at Elouise Schreffler's home, 1717 Glacier Ct. Allentown. Join us for our last meeting before summer break. All women are welcome!

**PRISCILLA CIRCLE** will meet at the home of Gail Palazzo for its annual picnic at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, 6/11. Circle members and friends planning to attend should contact Gail (610-395-5898 or g2e3p@ptd.net). Please join us for this evening of fellowship and food!

**DORCAS / MARTHA CIRCLE** will visit Hampton Winds, the Culinary School Restaurant at Northampton Community College for a tour and lunch on Thursday, 6/13. The Circle will meet at 10:00 AM in Asbury's lower level parking lot to carpool. The tour will be at 11:00 AM, followed by lunch at 11:30 AM. The *a la carte* menu with a price range of \$6-\$11 will be posted on the UMW bulletin board and given to each driver. The June mission project will be the collection of plastic hangers for the Sixth Street Shelter Apartments.

## Prayers of Our Congregation

*Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks.*

*1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

### For those who are sick or in the hospital

Lord, we ask your mercy and healing for all those currently hospitalized or recently discharged, including Amy S., Elizabeth R., Joyce M. and Paul P. Jesus, we ask you to have mercy on all those in pain, both physical and mental and grant them your peace.

### For those who need your special help

Lord of all, we ask you to fill Jenna with confidence as she proceeds in recovery and searches for a job. We ask that you strengthen Mary Jo, heal her anxiety and comfort her about family issues. We ask that you be with Bert, an active member of Canterbury Chapel (near Cookson, Oklahoma) who recently had a stroke. We lift up Evelyn F. for healing; she had a heart attack last week and is struggling with complications. O Lord, we ask that you heal Jim & Sarah's granddaughter, Maynara, completely.

### For our children

Lord, we ask your blessing on our young people. We ask that you love and guide them in every moment of their lives, and remind them continually that you are always ready to help.

### For our congregation

We ask traveling mercies for our mission group going to Cookson Hills. We also ask that you be with them, guiding them to transform lives with love.

### For the world, its people and its leaders

We ask your blessing of peace, Lord, on all the world.

### For those who mourn

Lord, we ask your mercy and comfort for the families of all those who have passed from our lives into your arms.

### With thanksgiving for our joys

We give thanks for a successful surgery for Michelle H.'s mom, Pat W., and ask for an easy recovery. We thank you for carrying Beth S. through chemo treatments. She has completed her last one.

### For the missions we support

Lord, bless the mission of Teen Haven, an inner city ministry in downtown Lancaster. It is dedicated to Christian ministry and fellowship of underprivileged teenagers. We ask that you provide an abundance of camp scholarships to these youth so they may have the experience of a lifetime at Christian summer camps.

## INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

# CHILDREN



### Faith & Fun Alive Sunday School

- ☺ Sunday, 6/2, 4th & 5th Grade Large Group meets in Room 104.
- ☺ Join us 6/9 for our Celebration Olympics from 9:30-10:45 AM in Fellowship Hall and outside. The event includes games, snacks and activities for 3's through 5th Graders.
- ☺ Join in the fun starting 6/16 with our "Summer Garden Party" from 9:30-10:30 AM on Sunday mornings. PreK/4's – 5th Graders will meet in Fellowship Hall, and have outside activities, weather permitting. There will be childcare for Infants – 3's Room 223 for the 9:30 and 11:00 AM services. To volunteer to help, contact Linda in the church office.

### Kidz Klub

- ☺ 6/21 is our next Kidz Klub. All PreK/4's – 5th Graders are invited to join us from 6:00 - 8:30 PM for dinner, gardening, sports, and fun activities. "Planting the Seeds" is our summer theme. Sign up in the Community Room and outside the Wesley Center. Summer dates are Wednesdays 7/10, 7/19, and 7/24 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM.

### VBS — Everywhere Fun Fair

- ☺ Register now for our summer VBS, which will be held July 29 – August 2 from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Donation is \$20 per child, \$50 per family. Forms are available online, in the Community Room, outside the Wesley Center, and in the church office. Volunteers are needed as shepherds leading the children, and in the storytelling, crafts, snacks, games, and music areas. Contact Linda to volunteer.
- ☺ Combo Safe Sanctuary/VBS Volunteer Meeting – Wednesday, 6/26, at 7:00 PM. All volunteers in the church who work with children and youth need to attend a Safe Sanctuary training, and have background checks. We will have Safe Sanctuary training at 7:00 PM, followed at 7:30 PM by a VBS Volunteer meeting. If you only need to attend the training, you may leave before the VBS Volunteer meeting starts. If you have already attended a training, just come for the VBS meeting. Contact Linda for information.

Contact Linda Arleth Smith in the church office  
(610-398-2577 or [larleth@asburylv.org](mailto:larleth@asburylv.org))

for information on all Children's Ministry activities and opportunities.

# YOUTH



Sunday School is wrapping up for the school year, but will continue throughout the summer! Class will be at the same time, 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM, and will be held in the Youth Lounge!

If you are a Senior in High School, you should have received an invitation to our Graduating Senior Luncheon. The luncheon will take place on Sunday, 6/2 at 12:30 PM in Fellowship Hall. If you haven't received your invitation yet, please contact Aaron Forney ([aforney@asburylv.org](mailto:aforney@asburylv.org)).

Student registration for the West Virginia High School Work Week is now open! Please visit [www.asburyym.org](http://www.asburyym.org) to sign up today!!

We're looking forward to a great summer! It's just a few weeks away, so watch for information to come out soon.

Contact Aaron in the church office ([aforney@asburylv.org](mailto:aforney@asburylv.org) or 610-398-2577) for information on all Youth Ministry activities and opportunities.

## RISK-TAKING MISSION AND SERVICE

### Asbury In Mission (AIM)



**CHANGE-FOR-CHANGE** for June is designated for La Trinidad (The Trinity), a United Methodist Church located in Allentown. The church's goal is to reach those with spiritual and social needs in center city and on the south side of town. The congregation ministers to the Latino population to be part of the people of God, to have new life in Jesus Christ and become disciples. The Latino population is constantly growing and in need of spiritual guidance and social assistance. La Trinidad partners with Asbury for Mission Breakfasts and the Chili Cook-off, and is planning a mission trip to Peru in 2014. Please place your contributions in the containers at the rear of the Sanctuary or in the Wesley Center.



### AIM Yard Sale

### and Great American Bake Sale

**Saturday, June 22, 2013  
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

Don't forget that Asbury's Yard Sale is coming up real soon - Saturday, 6/22. You can deliver all your unwanted items to the Wesley Center starting **AFTER CHURCH on 6/16**, Father's Day. We can also use empty plastic bags (especially the big ones from department stores) and paper grocery bags. If you have not already volunteered to help set up the yard sale the week of 6/17 to 6/21 or the actual yard sale day of 6/22, please call or e-mail Jenn Springer (610- 395-7812 or [moneydoccfp@juno.com](mailto:moneydoccfp@juno.com)).

# WEEKLY CALENDAR



## Sunday, June 2 / Communion

- 8:00 a.m. Worship Celebration - Sanctuary
- 9:15 a.m. God's Rainbow Sunday School- 200
- 9:30 a.m. Worship Celebration - Sanctuary
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School All Ages
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Celebration - Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. Open Door Community Worship- WC
- 12:15 p.m. Graduating Senior Brunch- FH
- 12:30 p.m. Safe Sanctuary Training- 217
- 1:00 p.m. Church of God- 108/106
- 6:30 p.m. SNL/JHE- YL/FH/108

## Monday, June 3

- 12:30 p.m. Caring in a Nutshell Lunch- Aldersgate
- 6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 12- FH & 106
- 6:30 p.m. Sr. High Guys Group- 208
- 6:30 p.m. Sr. High Girls Group- YL
- 7:30 p.m. Praise Band- Sanctuary

## Tuesday, June 4

- 9:00 a.m. Stewardship Meeting- Aldersgate
- 9:30 a.m. AGO Meeting- 106
- 12:30 p.m. Program Staff Meeting- Aldersgate
- 6:30 p.m. LV Walk Now for Autism- 217
- 6:30 p.m. UMW Board- 106
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Volleyball- WC
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Ministry Team- Aldersgate
- 7:30 p.m. OA- 204

## Wednesday, June 5

- 8:45 a.m. Keep in Touch- Aldersgate
- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Group- 231
- 9:30 a.m. Closing Program (3's)- Sanctuary
- 10:30 a.m. Closing Program (4's)- Sanctuary
- 1:00 p.m. AA (open)- 108
- 6:30 p.m. Asbury Quilters- 204
- 7:00 p.m. Summer Harmony- Sanctuary

## Thursday, June 6

- 9:30 a.m. Closing Program (3's)- Sanctuary
- 10:30 a.m. Closing Program (4's)- Sanctuary
- 10:30 a.m. Closing Program (PreK)- FH
- 6:30 p.m. Parkland Service Unit- FH
- 7:00 p.m. Open Door Worship Rehearsal- WC
- 7:00 p.m. NARANON- 108

## Friday, June 7

- 1:00 p.m. AA (Open)- 108
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scout Pack 12- FH

## Saturday, June 8

- 6:00 p.m. Jon Beitler Piano Recital- Sanctuary

## Sunday, June 9 / New Members

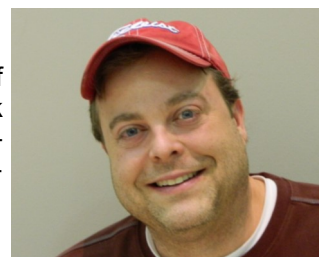
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- 12:30 p.m. Worship Coordinator Meeting- 217
- 1:00 p.m. Church of God- 108/106
- 1:30 p.m. Parkland Baccalaureate- Sanctuary Reception- WC
- 6:30 p.m. Serendipity Group- 208
- 6:30 p.m. SNL/JHE- YL/FH/108



## STEVE HERRING



Steve began drumming with the Open Door band in March of 2012, after drumming professionally as a member of a pop/rock band. Open Door Worship Leader Aaron Forney appreciates Steve's leadership and musical ability, and feels he contributes greatly to the positive worship experience. Thanks, Steve!



**UNITED METHODIST DAY**  
at  
**DORNEY PARK & WILDWATER KINGDOM**

**Saturday, June 22, 2013**  
**10:00 AM to 10:00 PM**

**Meet the Bishop!**

For details and information on reduced admission coupons, please e-mail [rossbrightwell@verizon.net](mailto:rossbrightwell@verizon.net).

## Our Staff

Mark Moore, Senior Pastor  
Eric Yeakel, Associate Pastor  
Laurie Wallace Theisen, Director of Lay Ministries  
Linda Arleth Smith, Director of Children's Ministries  
Aaron Forney, Director of Youth Ministries & Leader of Open Door Worship Band  
Tom Gibson, Business Administrator  
Larry Hein, Head Custodian

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