

Asbury Articles: September 17, 2025

UPCOMING ASBURY EVENTS



🎃 Fall Kid's Night Out 🎃

Kids, get ready for an evening of fun at Asbury while your parents enjoy a night out! Join us Saturday, October 11, from 5:00–8:00pm for dinner, games, a spooky October craft, and some outside playtime. 🎨 🎮 🏃

RSVP Reminder: Kids, please have your adults RSVP by October 6 to Children@Asburylive.org to secure your spot!

Asbury Community: We are seeking 3–4 adult volunteers to support this Family Ministry event. If you're able to help, please contact [us!](#) 🙌

It's going to be a fun, festive night full of laughter, friends, and fall excitement. We can't wait to see you there! 🍁👻



This Sunday! Welcome Fall Campfire!

Join us this Sunday at 7pm for a celebration welcoming Fall.

Come enjoy an evening of s'mores, music, and community around the fire as we welcome fall.

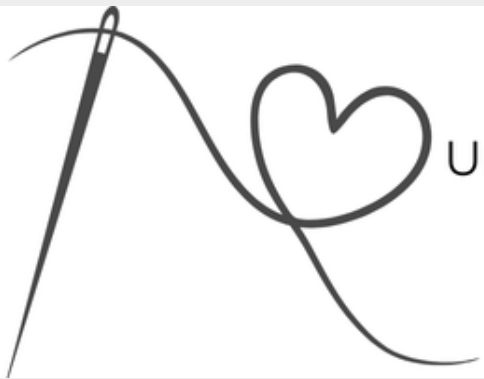
📅 Sunday, September 21

🕒 7:00 p.m.

📍 Asbury UMC

Bring your friends and family—everyone is welcome. Let's gather in the crisp evening air for warmth, laughter, and celebration! Please RSVP so we get the write number of treats! [here.](#)

🌟🎵 We would love to have some musical people lead us in camp songs. If you are interested RSVP or contact [Rachel Olson](#) 🌟🎵



United Women in Faith *Monthly Sew-In*

United Women in Faith – Monthly Sew-In

📅 Thursday, September 25

✂️ 1:00 – 3:00 PM

💖 Rooms 11 & 12

Come enjoy fellowship and creativity as we sew together in support of meaningful missions. All are welcome!



Visit to Oakland Museum: Black Housing in the East Bay

Asbury's Antiracism Group is sponsoring a special visit to the Oakland Museum of California on Saturday, September 20, to view the exhibition on Black housing in the East Bay. This is a powerful opportunity to learn and reflect together. We will meet at the church at 1:00pm to carpool and return about 5:00pm.

The cost is \$25 per person. To sign up or ask questions, please contact [Michele Rudd](#) as soon as possible (registration has been extended).

Learn more about the exhibition [here](#).

The Anti-Racism group will not have a regular meeting this month.



Family Supper Club – Wednesday Night

Join us this Wednesday at 6:00pm for Family Supper Club! 🎉

This week we'll celebrate Quannah's 5th birthday and enjoy some fun on the Slip 'N Slide. 🌊🍰

And don't forget — be sure to pick up your white t-shirts so you're ready for our Tie-Dye Night on September 24! 🟢💡

It's always a joy to gather for food, fellowship, and fun. We hope to see you there!



Board Game Fun for Adults!

Join us for an afternoon of fellowship and friendly competition at Asbury Fellowship Hall on Saturday, October 4, from 1–3 PM. Bring your favorite board games, decide what to play together, and enjoy time connecting with friends old and new.

Please RSVP to Kelli Walter at kelliwalt@gmail.com.

Ladies Night Out

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH | 6 PM

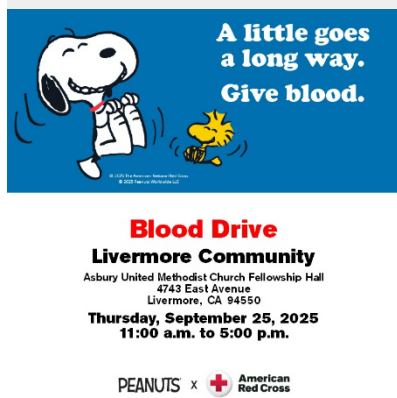
FAMILY BBQ HICK'RY PIT

(FORMALLY EMIL VILLA'S IN A NEW SPOT)
1840 PORTOLA AVE., LIVERMORE, CA 94551

PLEASE RSVP TO KELLI WALTER ([KELLIWALT@GMAIL.COM](mailto:kelliwalt@gmail.com)) BY FRIDAY, 10/10

THANK YOU FOR BRINGING CASH! WE HOPE YOU ARE ABLE TO JOIN US!





ANNOUNCEMENTS

🎵 No Youth Choir Rehearsal This Sunday 🎵

There will be no Youth Choir rehearsal on Sunday September 21. We'll gather again next week, ready to lift our voices in song together. Thank you for your continued dedication and joy in sharing music with our church family.

📦 ✨ Organizer Needed! 📦 ✨

Rachel Olson is looking for someone who enjoys organizing, labeling, and inventory to help complete labeling and inventorying all of the wonderful resources stored in Room 7.

This is likely a project that can be completed in a couple of sessions — perfect for anyone who loves tidying and organizing!

If you're interested in helping, please reach out to Rachel at children@asburylive.org. Your support will make a big difference in keeping our Family Ministry resources ready and organized for everyone! 🙌

Middle and High School Sunday School

September 28



🌈 Youth Sunday School 🌈

Youth Sunday School meets on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Students will begin worship with their families and then, after the Children's Moment, head to their classrooms where Sunday School will begin for fellowship and Bible Study.

We're excited for another great morning of learning, faith, and friendship together!

- 📍 Middle School – Room 13
- 📍 High School – Room 15

💡 Our weekly Sunday evening youth gatherings are done in collaboration with Lynnewood UMC and take place on their campus in Pleasanton 💡

Have you seen me?



Missing Shakerere

A special thank you to Patti Hughes, who graciously let our youth borrow her shakerere to make joyful music together. Unfortunately, the instrument has not yet been returned, and Patti has not received it back. If you happen to know where the shakerere may have been misplaced or have any information about it, please contact the church office or reach out directly to Patti Hughes.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

A poster for an event titled "PRACTICING HOPE". It features a photo of Areej Masoud, a woman with long dark hair, wearing a patterned top. The text on the poster includes: "Palestinian Women's Empowerment", "Areej Masoud", "Founder of Khayari Women's Leadership & Economic Empowerment Program", "Cornerstone Fellowship", "548 N Cameros Parkway", "Livermore CA 94551", "Thursday", "September 18, 2025", "6 p.m. Reception", "7 p.m. Presentation", "Learn more and RSVP" with a QR code, and "A FREE Event Sponsored by Friends of Wadi Foquin & Asbury UMC-WF Circle". The Khayari Organization logo is at the bottom right.

Empowering Voices from Bethlehem: An Interview with Areej Masoud

The Friends of Wadi Foquin Circle at Asbury invite you to join us for an interview with Areej Masoud, a Palestinian Christian from Bethlehem and Founder of the Khayari Women's Organization. Thursday, September 18, 6:00 pm, at Cornerstone Fellowship of Livermore. While Areej's work is empowering women, this presentation will be very interesting and informative for everyone. This is a free

event, but please register to attend using the QR code in the leaflet or by clicking [here](#).



Join Us for Community Service Day – Saturday, September 20

Asbury is invited to take part in this year's Community Service Day organized by the City of Livermore—a wonderful opportunity to serve our neighbors and strengthen community bonds. On Saturday, September 20, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., volunteers from across Livermore will come together for hands-on projects that make a real difference.

Following the morning of service, all participants are invited to enjoy a complimentary BBQ lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Las Positas College—a time to gather, share a meal, and celebrate the day's accomplishments.

You can find a list of project sites here: [Community Service Day – September 2025](#)

If you'd like to participate, you may sign up individually, or we can register as an Asbury group. To coordinate as a group, please contact the [church office](#).

Let's come together to share our compassion and community spirit!



Financial Picture at Asbury through August

Financial support for the ministry and mission of Asbury UMC continues to be strong, with no summer slump! Income in August was \$51.1K. Expenses were higher than usual at \$87.8K due to a one time expense of \$38.7K used to help fund a new “Liquid Endowment Fund” designed to provide a flexible way of investing some portion of resources in stocks and bonds. Without this expense, August expense would have been \$49.1K.

Asbury UMC budget giving for eight months through August 2025

Income	\$463,137	
Expense	\$426,376	
Net	\$36,762	Note: a one time expense of \$38.7K for
Expense detail		Liquid Endowment in August
Apportionments	\$46,314	10.9%
Program	\$14,825	3.5%
Office & Finance	\$12,702	3.0%
Operational	\$83,809	19.7%
Salaries and benefits	\$230,035	54.0%

Eight months through August Playground giving

\$60,263

Eight months through August 2025 Benevolence giving

Pastors fund \$2,353

Backpacks \$5,625

Intergenerational Mission \$9,431

Shower & Laundry \$1,210

LA Fire help \$200

UMCOR \$2,465

UMCOR US \$700

Human Relations Day \$200

Peace with Justice \$100

Easter \$5,729

Thanksgiving \$540

Christmas \$910

Partners for Change \$300

Heifer International \$1,000

Fertile Groundworks \$400

Habitat for Humanity \$2,200

Open Heart Kitchen \$1,300

Friends of Wadi Foquin \$200

Tri-Valley Haven \$2,100

Alameda County Food Bank \$1,000

Open Heart Refuge \$543

AXIS Community Health \$1,500

Gum Moon Residence	\$100	
Total	\$40,105	8.7%

Have questions?

Contact the church office via [email](#) or phone, 925-447-1950.

Have an article, announcement, or event to submit?

Send them to the [Martina](#), our Office and Communications Manager, by 3pm on Tuesdays.

Want to donate online?

[Click here](#) or use Zelle (our ID is finance@asburylive.org)

Miss a newsletter or need to go back and re-read?

Check out the [newsletter archive](#)!

Would like to get in touch with a fellow Asburyite?

Contact the office.

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EVENTS AT A GLANCE

RECURRING EVENTS

- Sundays | 10am: Asbury worship service

CHOIRS:

- Tuesday | 7:00pm: Asbury Ringers (contact [Michèle](#))
- Thursday | 7:30pm: Faith Choir (contact [Jean](#))
- Sunday | 11:30am: Cherub Choir (contact [Makayla](#))
- Sunday | 11:30am: Rainbow Choir (contact [Jean](#))

Youth Choir is not meeting for rehearsal this Sunday September 21.

OPEN SMALL GROUPS

- 1st and 3rd Tuesdays | 1:30pm: Women of the Vine (Contact [Anne](#))
- Wednesdays | 6-7:30pm: Family Supper Club (Contact [Rachel](#))
- 2nd and 4th Wednesdays | 6-7pm: Wednesday Zoom Group (Contact [Rita-Ann](#)) - this group does not meet in June
- Thursdays | 7:45am: Men's Bible Study on Zoom (Contact [Art](#))
- Last Thursdays | 1pm: Sew-In (Contact the [Office](#))
- Saturdays | 8:30am: B-MEN (Contact [Bob Berger](#))
- Saturdays | 10am: Craft and Chat (online - join [here](#))
- 4th Sundays | 11:30am: Friends of Wadi Foquin Circle (Contact [Bob Johnson](#))



Asbury United Methodist Church Of Livermore