

Asbury Articles: August 23, 2023

Event happening today!



Meet our Missionary: Katherine Parker

Wednesday, August 23 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Tonight we welcome our missionary to Nepal, Katherine Parker. Please come to learn about her work, see videos, ask questions, and enjoy refreshments - 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a freewill offering to support her work. Bring your family.



Asbury Shower and Laundry Ministry needs your help!

Until Vineyard 2.0 is fully open, Asbury will continue to operate the shower and laundry ministry 3 days a week on our campus. Unfortunately, the special benevolence fund (account 3085) that has been used to buy clothing (t-shirts, socks and underwear), personal care items and laundry detergent has been depleted and we can no longer purchase clothing or laundry detergent for this critical mission.

Every week we supply approximately 30 men's t-shirts (sizes M, L, XL), crew socks, and underwear (M, L, XL) and 4 sets of women's t-shirts (M, L, XL), ankle socks and underwear (sizes 5, 6, 7) to our clients. At least 13 loads of laundry (26 pods) are done by our homeless clients, and another 15 loads (30 pods) for the towels and washrags used by our shower patrons.

Please help us keep this ministry going for another 6 months (estimated time until Vineyard 2.0 is open). We can use the following:

- \$\$\$ to account 3085
- Laundry detergent pods are preferred
- NEW (in package) Men's white t-shirts in size M, L or XL
- NEW (in package) Men's crew socks (preferably white)
- NEW (in package) Men's boxer briefs in size M, L or XL
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Baby Wipes
- Men's Body Wash

- Deodorant
- Disposable Razors (men's and women's)

We have the ability to buy in bulk at reduced prices so monetary donations are greatly appreciated!

If you prefer to do your own shopping, Kirkland (Costco) laundry pods are among the least expensive you can get, and Dollar Tree is a great place to buy personal care items.

Thank you for your support of this ministry.

Donate



Choirs Starting Soon!

The rehearsals of Faith Choir will be starting on Thursday, September 7 at 7:30 PM in the Sanctuary.

In September, Faith Choir will be singing the 2nd and 4th Sundays, or Sept. 10 & Sept. 24.

The usual Sundays for Faith Choir to sing are the 1st and 3rd Sundays. So in October, they will sing on October 1 & October 15. November's dates are Nov. 5 & Nov. 19, when we will celebrate Thanksgiving.



Hawaiian Wildfires

UMCOR Responds to Hawaii Fires

United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is coordinating the Hawaiian wildfire response through our United Methodist siblings in Hawaii. Like many structures, it appears that the United Methodist Church in Lahaina was destroyed. The focus right now is ensuring the safety of all the people, providing shelter and getting people's basic needs cared for. As we know from the wildfire response in California, UMCOR will work ecumenically and be present in Hawaii for months/years helping people to re-build their lives and their homes. Bishop Dottie Escobedo-Frank, the UMC Bishop of the area, has asked us to funnel all giving through UMCOR: U.S. Domestic Disaster—Hawaii.

Many of us have enjoyed the beautiful islands, and now it's our turn to give them help. Gifts may be made through Asbury through our usual giving methods. Please mark your gift for the Hawaiian wildfires. Thank you.



FREE ROCKING CHAIRS









Asbury has several rocking chairs to give away. If you would like one, please contact the church office.



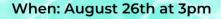
Women's RETREAT

Save the Dates: Women's Retreat - September 22 & 23

Friday 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. | Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Asbury Campus

Childcare will be available. Our theme this year is "**Gratefulness**". We are delighted to have Rev. Maggie McNaught as our retreat leader. Watch for registration and additional information coming soon.





Where: @ the Lobao's

Who: Youth, their families, and young adults

Dinner will be provided, please text or email Rebecca with any questions.

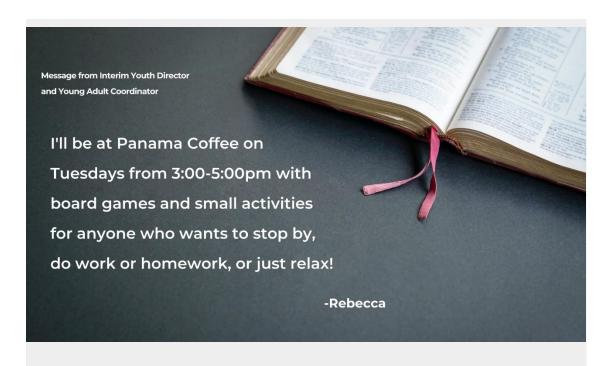


Young Adult BRUNCH

Sunday, September 3 11:45am

Monica's in Livermore





A Taste For Giving

October 1, 2023 | 5:30 PM at Retzlaff Vineyards



FERTILE GROUNDWORKS SIMPLY WOULD NOT BE THE GARDEN IT IS TODAY WITHOUT YOU! OUR ABILITY TO SERVE AND SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY IS MADE POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF THE ABUNDANT LAND YOU'VE PROVIDED US TO GROW ON!

WE'RE 13 YEARS STRONG TOGETHER!

PLEASE JOIN US IN A NIGHT OF CELEBRATION AND FUNDRAISING TO KEEP US GOING STRONG SO WE CAN CONTINUE GROWING AND EXPANDING THE IMPACT WE HAVE ON OUR COMMUNITY.

COME SUPPORT US! BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY
AND RESERVE YOUR SPOT AT OUR
ANNUAL TASTE FOR GIVING

@ RETZLAFF VINEYARDS FOR DINNER, MUSIC, WINE, PRIZES, AUCTIONS, AND MORE!

YOUR FRIENDS AND GARDENERS,





GET YOUR TICKETS NOW!

\$80 PER PERSON ONLY THROUGH AUGUST 31!

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Kindness is in your blood





Blood Drives

Livermore Community

Asbury United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall 4743 East Avenue Livermore, CA 94550

Friday, August 18, Friday, September 15 & Thursday, September 28, 2023 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.



Celebrate Peace through Understanding

Sunday, Sept. 10, 3:00-4:30 pm at St. Charles Catholic Church

Celebrate Peace through Understanding at Interfaith Interconnect's annual social event, Sunday, Sept. 10, 3:00-4:30 pm at St. Charles Catholic Church (1315 Lomitas Ave., west lawn along side the building) in commemoration of the UN Day of Peace. Enter the east driveway to park and walk over. Music and social time first, then there will be a short program at 3:30, followed by more time to get acquainted with folks from different faith communities.

Asbury Masking Policy

Alameda County is following the CDC guidelines for masking. When community transmission is low, masking indoors may be optional. When community transmission is medium or high, masking indoors is strongly recommended.

Asbury will follow the CDC guidelines, and we support and encourage mask wearing indoors, especially for those with underlying health conditions or who are not fully vaccinated and boosted.





EVENTS AT A GLANCE

RECURRING EVENTS

- Sundays; 10am: Asbury worship service
- Note: All musical groups will resume after Labor Day!

OPEN SMALL GROUPS

- Every Sunday; 8:15am: Meditation Circle on Zoom (Contact the office)
- 1st and 3rd Monday; 6pm: Monday Night Small Group (Contact Ruth)

- Thursdays; 7:45am: Men's Bible Study on Zoom (Contact Art)
- Saturdays; 10am: Craft and Chat Zoom gathering
- 3rd Saturdays; 10:30am: Caregivers' Support Group on Zoom

AUGUST

- Wed, Aug 23: Meet our Missionary: Katherine Parker
- Sat, Aug 26: Fall Kick-off Pool Party

HOW CAN WE HELP?

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**.

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

Check out the <u>newsletter archive!</u>

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