

Asbury Articles: September 6, 2023

THANK YOU, GENEROUS DONORS!



During the month of August, generous donors at Asbury provided some much needed special funds as shown below:

- \$1,075 Shower & Laundry Ministry
- \$1,125 Missionary Katherine Parker
- \$1,000 UMCOR general funds
- \$4,000 UMCOR -USA, Maui fire

thank you

Church Council Meeting

Sunday, September 24 at 1 p.m.

The Church Council will meet as a Charge Conference on Sunday, September 24 at 1 p.m. for the purpose of increasing the reimbursable account for the Senior Pastor. The meeting will be held in the Conference Room and also on Zoom. The zoom link will be sent prior to the meeting. This is the only item that will be considered at the charge conference. The Rev. Kim Risedorph will preside.



Men's Group Resumes

Thursdays at 7:45am

Starting this week, we meet virtually **every Thursday at 7:45am** for one hour. We watch a video, then discuss it. Assuming the group accepts my recommendation, we will be studying the Old Testament for the next half year, in what looks like a fascinating study.

This week, we will discuss the Old Testament as literature. Next week, we will study the Genesis creation story.

UPCOMING ASBURY EVENTS



Women's RETREAT

Women's Retreat Registration Information

Time to register for the upcoming Asbury United Methodist Church Women's Retreat! Time to register for the upcoming Asbury United Methodist Church Women's Retreat that will be held on Friday, September 22, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Check-in starts at 5:00 p.m.) and Saturday, September 23, 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. on the campus at Asbury, 4743 East Ave. Livermore. Registration is due by Sunday, September 17.

The retreat is open to all Women of Asbury, friends, and family members, 18 to 105. We invite you to personally ask others to join us.

The cost of the retreat for both days is \$50.00 which includes dinner and lunch and take-home materials! Scholarships are available please see Pastor Kathy or check the

box on the registration form. If you are unable to attend both days, the cost for Friday is \$20.00 and Saturday is \$30.00. Childcare will be available, registration is required.

The theme for the retreat is Gratitude -- Gratitude and grace come from the same root word—to give freely. At the retreat we will revisit the important practice of gratitude—how it shapes our everyday lives, our spiritual journeys, and our relationship with others. We will share gratitude stories, talk about how to live a life based on gratitude and how we can practice gratitude after the retreat. We will have activities and discussions in small groups as well as the large group. The Friday night portion of the retreat will focus on community building and getting to know each other in a deeper way.

Our Facilitator and Retreat Leader will be the Rev. Maggie McNaught. Maggie is a recently retired United Methodist Pastor. Leading retreats is one of her passions. She and her family attended Asbury and has led worship at Asbury this last year while living with Pastor Kathy before moving to their retirement home in Elk Grove.

Please complete the attached registration form and return it to the church office along with the fees or on Sunday as you enter the church. Printed registration forms will also be available before and after worship on Sunday and in the church office during office hours.

If you have questions, contact [Karen Bauman](#) or 510-409-9760.

Downloads and attachments

[Womens Retreat 2023 Registration Form .docx](#)



Asbury Follies

Save the Date: Saturday, October 14 | 7 PM

Asbury Follies is open to anyone to perform any talent - song, dance, jokes, skit, magic, or whatever you can dream up!

Look for more information about sign ups soon and start thinking about what talent you'd like to share! You can get more information from [Martie Muldoon](#).



Asbury Players WANTED!

Asbury Players has been asked to provide an interactive murder mystery performance at two Assisted Living communities in Livermore, and also at the downtown ArtWalk.

Dates:

Saturday Oct 8, 2:30 pm	Heritage Estates
Friday, Oct 13, 5:30 pm	Rosewood Gardens
Saturday, Oct 14, 11:00 am	Artwalk, downtown Livermore

We need at least 8 people and can include any number larger than that. Each character will only have one or two statements to perform, and they don't need to be memorized.

The show will be 'Bullets over Broadway', which Asbury Players did virtually over zoom during the pandemic.

Each performance will be about 45-60 minutes.

There will be 2-3 rehearsals, and the cast will be asked to dress as their character (we can help find costumes as needed).

Please email [Martie Muldoon](#) if you're available for all 3 performances, and you'd like to participate!

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

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.

Downloads and attachments

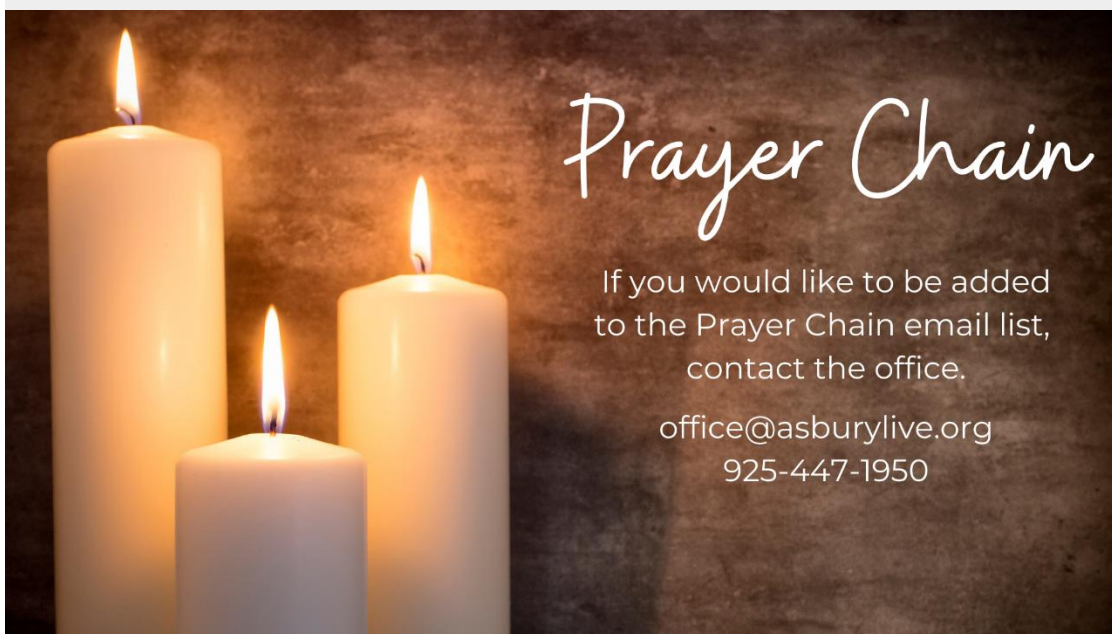
[Ice Cream Social UN Day of Peace flyer Sept 2023.pdf](#)

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

CHOIRS

- **Faith Choir** - Thursdays at 7:30pm: Sanctuary
- **Cherub Choir** - Sundays at 11:30am: Room 5
- **Rainbow Choir** - Sundays at 11:30am: Sanctuary
- **Youth Choir** - Sundays at 11:30am: Chapel
- **Asbury Ringers** - Sundays at 7pm: Sanctuary

OPEN SMALL GROUPS

- **1st and 3rd Monday; 6pm:** Monday Night Small Group (Contact [Ruth](#))
- **Thursdays; 7:45am:** Men's Bible Study on Zoom (Contact [Art](#))
- **Last Thursdays; 1pm:** Sew-In (contact the Office)
- **Saturdays; 10am:** Craft and Chat [Zoom](#) gathering

SEPTEMBER

- **Celebrate Peace through Understanding:** Sunday, Sept. 10, 3:00 PM at St. Charles
- **Women's Retreat:** September 22 & 23

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 [newsletter archive](#)!

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