

Asbury Articles: August 16, 2023



Articles

As was announced two weeks ago, Alaina, our Communications Specialist has left her position with Asbury to begin a full-time job as a School Counselor. The Office Manager position has been expanded to include communications. Information for the weekly Asbury articles is now sent to the [Asbury Office](#). The deadline is still 3 p.m. on Tuesdays. Please put "Articles" in the subject line for any emails making contributions to the Asbury Articles. Please direct any communication questions and/or article questions to Martina. Thank you.



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.



Our August Summerfest was a big hit!

A word from our Director of Children's Ministries, Lori Day:

Our August Summerfest was a big hit! There were so many smiling, happy faces from participants, the many volunteers and staff. The musician, Natalia Susoeff, was fantastic, the balloon twister was fabulous, and Mitchell was the superstar on the slip-n-slide! The Sunday lunch was well-attended – thank you Fellowship Team!

Thank you to all involved!

You can see photos attached here and on Asbury's Facebook page in our SummerFest album.

Downloads and attachments

[SummerFest 2023 Photo Report.pdf](#)



THANK YOU!

Aug 9-13, Ron Logan and Bob Johnson from Asbury joined volunteers from three other UMC's on a Volunteers In Mission project to repair a home in Pajaro that was damaged by flooding earlier this year. Thank you to everyone who goes out of their way and volunteers to help others!

SHOWER & LAUNDRY MINISTRY



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:

- 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
- NEW (in package) Men's boxer briefs in size M, L or XL
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Body Wash
- Deodorant
- Disposable Razors (men's and women's)
- \$\$\$ to account 3085

We have the ability to buy in bulk at reduced prices (tshirts for '[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](#)

FREE ROCKING CHAIRS



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

UPCOMING ASBURY EVENTS

Ladies Night Out

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22ND | 6 PM

CATTLEMENS

2822 KITTY HAWK ROAD, LIVERMORE, CA 94551

PLEASE RSVP TO KELLI WALTER (KELLIWALT@GMAIL.COM) BY FRIDAY, 8/18

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



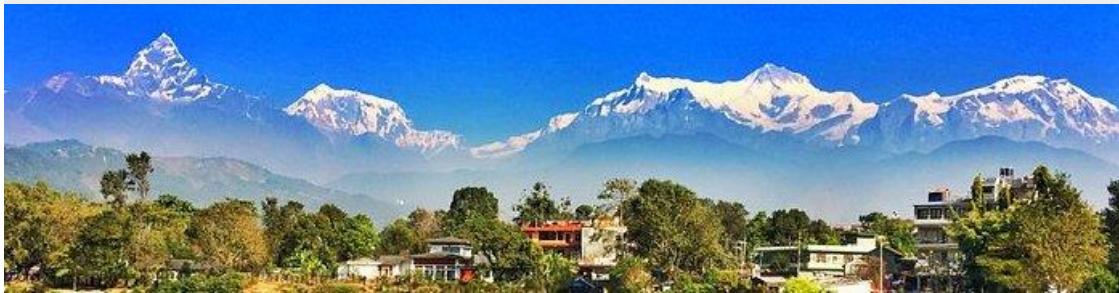
Women's **RETREAT**

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.



Meet our Missionary: Katherine Parker

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

Come to meet Katherine and learn about our missionary work in Nepal. Conversation and free refreshments in the fellowship hall. Children are welcome or call the church this week to reserve childcare.

A graphic for a "Fall Kick-Off Pool Party". The background is a light blue pool with white ripples. In the top left corner, there are green tropical leaves. In the top right corner, there is a white inflatable ring with a yellow flower-like pattern. In the bottom right corner, there is a pink flamingo inflatable ring. The text "FALL KICK-OFF POOL PARTY" is written in large, bold, pink letters with a yellow outline. Below the title, the following information is listed:

When: August 26th at 3pm
Where: @ the Lobao's
Who: Youth, their families, and young adults

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

A graphic for "Young Adult Brunch". The background is a light gray. On the right side, there is a collage of various breakfast items: a pancake with blueberries, a bowl of granola, a bowl of strawberries and blueberries, a bowl of nuts, a bowl of chia seeds, a bowl of yogurt with fruit, a bowl of smoothie, and a croissant. The text "Young Adult BRUNCH" is written in a large, bold, black font. Below the title, the following information is listed:

Sunday, September 3
11:45am
Monica's in Livermore

Message from Interim Youth Director
and Young Adult Coordinator

I'll be at Panama Coffee on
Tuesdays from 3:00-5:00pm with
board games and small activities
for anyone who wants to stop by,
do work or homework, or just relax!

-Rebecca



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CALL US !

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EMAIL US !

office@asburylive.org



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**ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IS
LOOKING FOR A CARING NURSERY
ASSISTANT TO SUPPORT OUR TEAM AND
HAVE FUN WITH THE KIDS!**

Please contact the Church office at Asbury
for a complete job description and an
application.



UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

*Kindness is
in your blood*



American
Red Cross

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.**

Habitat for Humanity Workday

Saturday, August 19 | Walnut Creek

A Habitat workday for Asbury volunteers is scheduled for Saturday, August 19 in Walnut Creek. Esperanza Place will have 42 homes, with 23 now being built in phase 1. Development is well underway, and our work will likely be inside. To sign up go to the [volunteer page](#) and sign up as an individual volunteer for August 19. Let [Bob Hoffman](#) know you have signed up so we can organize a carpool. If you have any questions, reach out to Bob!



*Proceeds to support the Guest House project in
Wadi Foquin designed by Adam Manasra*



Palestinian Fundraiser Dinner Sold Out!

Saturday, August 19 | 5:30pm

Thank you to Asbury folks for generous support for the village of Wadi Foquin, outside of Bethlehem on the West Bank. Total Asbury donations come to \$1525. Thank you!

There are no more seats available at the dinner August 19. See Heather for carpools.



Church Directory

Updated church directory is in the making!

Today, we are bringing you a [draft version](#) of Asbury directory and we would love to hear from you! **Please let the church office know if any corrections are needed.** We want to make sure all Asbury members and constituents are included and that their contact information is up to date.

There will be limited amount of hard copies of the draft at Sanctuary on Sunday, please email office@asburylive.org if you would like to reserve a printed copy.

Once the final version of directory is completed, hard copies will be provided for everyone.

[Click here to view the Draft of Church Directory](#)

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.

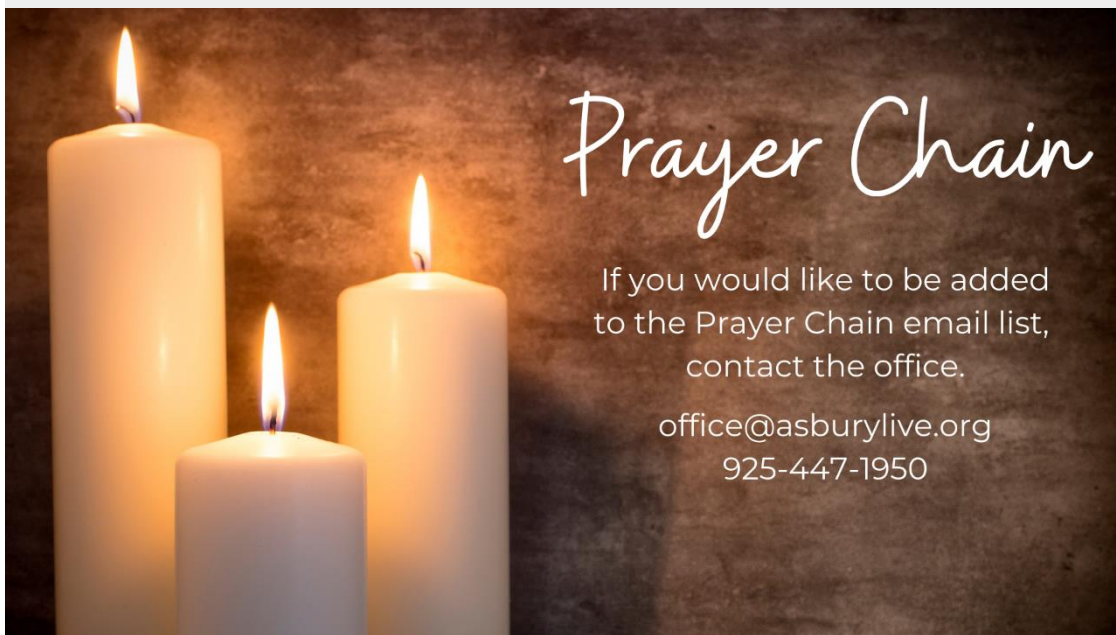
Asbury will follow the CDC guidelines, and we support and encourage mask wearing indoors, especially for those with underlying health conditions or who are not fully vaccinated and boosted.



Prayer Chain

If you would like to be added to the Prayer Chain email list, contact the office.

office@asburylive.org
925-447-1950



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

- **Tues, Aug 22:** Ladies' Night Out (RSVP by Fri, Aug 18)
- **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 [newsletter archive](#)!

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