



Asbury

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6822 Grand Avenue
Duluth, MN 55807

The Reverend
Cindy M. Rasmussen

Sunday Worship — 10:00 am

Office Hours
Mon-Thurs 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Messenger

Summer Wednesday Worship

June 13 — July 11 — August 1

• 6:00 pm
Worship in the Sanctuary

• 6:30 pm
Light Supper:
hot dogs, chips, salad, dessert

• 7:00 pm
Games and crafts for kids (and adults).

Hot dogs, buns, condiments and beverages will be provided. Please bring chips, salad or dessert to share.



If you plan to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex so we know how many hot dogs to purchase!

Hope you will join us!

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Choir Director Position Conversations!

Attention current and former adult choir members — the Staff Parish Relations Committee invites you to a time of conversation to help them discern the next steps regarding the Choir Director Position at Asbury UMC.

The SPRC will host two different opportunities: one on Sunday, June 3 and the other on Sunday, June 10. The meetings will be held after Worship in the Wesley Room.

Dick Warner will facilitate the discussion and other SPRC members will be present as well. Cathy Sampson, SPRC chair, will attend each meeting and keep notes. The information gathered from our choir members will help determine the next steps in the process. Please contact Cathy Sampson or Pastor Cindy if you have any questions.



Cindy's Corner



According to the church's liturgical calendar this past Sunday, which immediately follows Pentecost, is known as Trinity Sunday. The traditional Trinitarian formula describes God as three in One – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Another describes God as three in one one shaped by the way God acts –Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.

Frederick Buechner in his book *Wishful Thinking* adds another description: “*The much-maligned doctrine of the Trinity is an assertion that, appearances to the contrary notwithstanding, there is only one God. Father, Son and Holy Spirit means that the mystery beyond us, the mystery among us and the mystery within us are all the same mystery.*”

For me, the doctrine of the Trinity suggests connectedness and integration. And more importantly, I believe the Trinity reveals to us that relationships stand at the heart of God and the Universe. Relationships that create and recreate, that redeem and save us in so many ways, and that sustain and ground us in the love and grace and peace that good, solid, loving relationships can provide.

On Sunday morning I woke up to the loud foghorns blaring on Park Point. I looked out of my window and I couldn't see anything beyond the grass right in front of my balcony. As I sat in my rocking chair for my morning quiet/devotion time I thought about the many different times in life we can feel as if we are surrounded by fog. It could be because of the death of a loved one, an illness, a strained or broken relationship or other real-life challenges.

As I sat quietly, I reflected on the many ways we seek to make our way through those times of fog. Like the foghorns, sometimes

we make a lot of noise about it, which isn't always helpful but occasionally necessary. Often we use navigation tools provided by a helpful book, or guidance from others or wisdom learned from previous experiences. Making our way also includes times of stopping and resting and believing that the fog will eventually lift.

I think another navigation tool, and probably the most important is connecting to our own inner intuition and strength provided by the Holy Spirit, the mystery within. Listening for the still small voice that reminds us that we are never alone.

If we accept the assertion that relationships stand at the heart of God and the Universe, getting through the fog will mean being in relationship. It all begins in our relationship with God; God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit; God as Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer; God as mystery beyond us, among us and within us.

Next is our relationship with ourselves. I think we all know that to be in healthy relationships with others we first have to really know and love and care for ourselves. Unfortunately, even though we know it, we do not always live by it. I am reminded of the instructions from flight attendants when we fly, “in case of an emergency and the oxygen masks drop down, put on your mask before you help others.” When we can care for and truly love ourselves is when we can share that by loving others.

Peace,
Pastor Cindy

Asbury News

Thank You!

Dear Asbury Family:

Max has graduated from Michigan Tech with a degree in Electrical Engineering. Best of all he has a job in his field! Thank you to everyone for all the support you have given him through the years.

— Scott & Lynn Tollefson

Dear Asbury Family:

I am in the process of writing thank you notes but was not able to get my thank you for the June Messenger completed on time. Please look for my heartfelt thank you message in the July Messenger.

— Ruby Slennes

National Night Out Picnic — August 7

We look forward to seeing you at this year's National Night Out Neighborhood Picnic on Tuesday, August 7, in the Asbury Fellowship Hall and lower park lot. This is a great opportunity for visiting with friends from church and also meeting neighbors. More information about the picnic will be in the July Messenger. Please mark the date!

— Outreach Committee

One Zucchini Too Many!

Zucchini, zucchini everywhere! As you are growing your fruit/vegetable gardens this summer and you end up with extra produce, please consider making a batch of jam/jelly or perhaps some pickles or other canned produce, or a batch of zucchini muffins or bread (who doesn't have more than enough zucchini?) for UMW's upcoming Fall Pantry on October 13.

If you have jam, jelly or pickle canning jars you would like to donate, please leave them in the kitchen. There also is always a need for gallon ice cream buckets with lids or Cool Whip containers with lids.

Free Meals for Children — Summer Breakfast/Lunch Program

Duluth Public School District 709 wants to be sure that congregations know that the school district is sponsoring a summer breakfast and lunch program. Funded by the US Department of Agriculture, meals are provided FREE to children 18 and under. Adults who accompany their children can purchase a meal for \$4.00.

Meals are served June 12 through August 24. **No meals served on July 4.**

Breakfast is served from 8:00 am to 10:30 am. Lunch is served from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm.

No paperwork necessary. Just show up for good food and friendly service. Menus include a variety of food items such as hot entrees, salads, sandwiches, vegetables, fruits, bread, milk and dessert items.

Meals are served at the following school cafeterias:

Lester Park Elementary	5300 Glenwood St
Laura MacArthur Elementary	720 N Central Ave
Myers-Wilkens Elementary	1027 N 8th Ave East
Stowe Elementary	715 101st Ave W
Piedmont Elementary	2827 Chambersburg Ave

Note: Denfeld High School at 401 N 44th Ave W will have regular breakfast and brown-bag lunch service this summer.

For more info, contact the Child Nutrition office at 218-336-8707.



Outreach/ Communion Offering . . .

May's offering of \$182 went to the Love Offering for the MN Annual Conference. June's offering will go to Union Gospel Mission.

Attendance . . .

May 6	91
May 13	89
May 20	117
May 27	50

Scripture Readers . . .

June 3	Barbara Little
June 10	Shelly Vanneste
June 17	Dale Thorpe
June 24	Dave Stromgren



- 3 Carrie Sutherland
- 6 Mable Ridgewell
- 8 Cherie Blazevic
- Teresa Green
- Brian Herrick
- 9 Bowen Evans
- Cayden Winklesky
- 10 Phyllis Kruell
- 12 M. George Downs
- 13 Philip Krampf
- Russ Ridgewell
- 15 Floss Johnson
- 16 Debbie Houle
- 17 Elmer Olson
- Barbara Rigstad
- 25 Lois Stromgren
- 27 Ardelle Peterson
- 30 Mary DeMars
- Erik Winklesky

*Not included?
Please contact the
church office at 624-0061.*

Calendar

June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Adult & Youth Choirs will reconvene in September.</p> <p>Praise Team practice is Monday at 6:30 pm the Monday prior to Praise Sunday.</p> <p>YOGA classes are held Wednesdays at 5:30 pm in Asbury's Fellowship hall. Contact Cheryl Zupec, 218.343.4478 or czupec@hotmail.com for more information.</p>					1	2
<p>May 30—June 1 MN Annual Conference, St. Cloud, MN</p>						
<p>3</p> <p>10:00 am, Worship/Communion 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH</p>	<p>4</p> <p>8:30 am Garden Team</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:00 am Kiwanis, FH</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, WR</p> <p>10:00 am Pastor Cindy @ North Shore Estates</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH</p> <p>9:30 am UMW Board Meeting, WR</p>	<p>7</p> <p>8:30 am Donuts — mix batter, FH</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, WR</p> <p>10:00 to 11:00 am, 2nd Harvest Food Dis</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7-11:00 am Donuts, FH</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10</p> <p>10:00 am, Worship/Birthday 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:30 am Garden Team</p> <p>6:30 pm Praise Team</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9:00 am Kiwanis, FH</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, WR</p> <p>2:00 pm Knitting Klub, WR</p>	<p>13</p> <p>8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH</p> <p>6:00 pm Summer Worship</p>	<p>14</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, WR</p> <p>7:00 pm Faith Circle, WR</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Dumpster Pick Up</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17</p> <p>FATHER'S DAY 10:00 am, Worship/Praise 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH</p>	<p>18</p> <p>8:30 am Garden Team</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9:00 am Kiwanis, FH</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, WR</p> <p>4:30 pm, ADC, WR</p> <p>7:00 pm Ad Council, WR</p>	<p>20</p> <p>8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH</p> <p>8:30 am Pastor Cindy @ CHUM</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, WR</p> <p>MESENTER DEADLINE</p> <p>PASTOR CINDY ON VACATION JUNE 21 TO JULY 5</p>	<p>22</p> <p>8:00 am Kitchen Cleaned</p>	<p>23</p> <p>9:00 am to 4:00 pm CHUM Rhubarb Fest</p>
<p>24</p> <p>10:00 am, Worship/ 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH</p>	<p>25</p> <p>8:30 am Garden Team</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9:00 am Kiwanis, FH</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, WR</p> <p>2:00 pm Knitting Klub, WR</p>	<p>27</p> <p>8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH</p>	<p>28</p> <p>MESENTER EMAILS/MAILS</p>	<p>29</p> <p>Dumpster Pick Up</p>	<p>30</p>

Asbury News

Ad Council Meeting Highlights — 5-15-18

Opening

Steve Kokotovich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Cindy provided the opening prayer.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of the March 20, 2018, Administrative Council were reviewed. Sandy Winklesky made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

M – Sandy Winklesky, S – Ruth Thorpe

Lay Leader's Report – Steve Kokotovich

Steve Kokotovich will be attending Annual Conference along with Pastor Cindy. The Conference begins May 30th.

Treasurer's Report – Pat Anscomb

The April monthly summary was given. Balance on Hand, 4/30/18 is \$33,282.83. This amount includes money collected for the roof repair. In the beginning of May, 3 payments were made on our 2018 Apportionments. On behalf of the Finance/Stewardship Committee and The Board of Trustees, Pastor Cindy presented and explained a proposal to fund the roof repair that was approved at a combined meeting of the two committees on April 17, 2018 (See FYI\$ on page 6 of this Newsletter for more information). On behalf of the Committees, Pat Anscomb moved that we approve the proposal and Ruth Thorpe seconded. The Ad Council discussed the motion and an amendment was made. The Ad Council voted on the amended motion:

To use the leftover MNDOT Land Sale Proceeds of \$2,797 along with the \$3,374 of the remaining Bethany Funds combined with a sale of ALLETE stock in the amount \$10,000 with 60% from the Schwar Fund and 40% from the Asbury Fund, in addition to the money raised by the congregation and matched by UMW (\$10,000) to pay for the necessary roof repairs. Motion unanimously approved by the Administrative Council.

Staff Parish Relations Committee – Cathy Sampson

Members of the committee met with the church custodian to review his job description.

Ruby Slennes, our choir director, will be retiring on May 20th. This summer the committee will meet with current and former members of the choir to decide how to move forward with this position.

Trustee's Report – no report

United Methodist Women – Jan Akervik

\$2,046.75 was made at the April 28th, rummage sale.

The Area UMW met at First United Methodist Church. \$483 was collected to go to UMW Missions.

Preparing for the donut sale is on Thursday, June 7th, and making and selling the donuts is on Friday, June 8th.

The church is still having difficulty obtaining bids for new church entrance doors. The UMW has money set aside for this project.

Outreach and Missions Team – Steve Kokotovich

The March 20th, Age Well meeting on Health Care Directives went well. The March Food Shelf Drive collected \$1,523.21 plus 138 pounds of food. Serving at the Damiano Center was on May 12th. There will be no serving during the summer.

May 24th - CHUM Assembly at First Presbyterian Church.

July 17th - Wildfire Picnic at the Winklesky's.

August 7th - Neighborhood Night Out Picnic at Asbury.

Pastor Cindy and Jan Evans are connecting with the West Duluth Churches to discuss plans to host a free breakfast on the fourth Saturday of each month at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. The breakfast is still in the planning stages.

TREASURER'S REPORT

4/30/18

GENERAL FUND:

Beginning Cash Balance, 3/31/18	\$ 20,439.72
Deposits	\$ 27,365.80
Total to account for	\$ 47,805.52
Checks Written	<\$ 14,522.69>
Balance on Hand, 4/30/18	\$ 33,282.83

Unpaid Bills through 4/30/18 (includes apportionments)	\$ 8,596.62
Net Ending Balance at 4/30/18	<u>\$ 24,686.21</u>

The American Red Cross would like to have Asbury host blood drives. This idea will be explored and discussed before a decision will be made.

Education Team – Cheryl Parendo and Sandy Winklesky

Spring Fest, held on May 6th, was very successful.

The committee will be helping with the summer Wednesday Night Workshops. \$5 gift cards to Dairy Queen will be given to the children on their last day of Sunday School. The Ad Council thanked all of the teachers for dedication to the Sunday School.

Worship Team – Ruth Thorpe

The committee met on May 9th.

May 20th – Celebration for Ruby's retirement and last day of Sunday School.

June 17th – Father's Day recognition

Wednesday summer services will be on June 13th, July 11th and August 1st.

We will participate in the Sunday, August 5th, Spirit Valley Days community church service in Memorial Park.

Phyllis and Kim will co-chair a team to once again explore the sound system.

The next meeting is August 15, 2018, at 6:30.

Nurture/Congregational Care Team – Sandy Winklesky

The Visitation Committee will host the 80 Plus Luncheon on August 16th.

Carrie Sutherland reported that the Scholarship committee has applications out for the Maida and VanKleek Scholarships. Each scholarship is for \$1,000. Past recipients can apply for the other scholarship.

Patty Bennett reported that the Membership Committee met and is working on a new postcard that they can send out to people visiting our church. The next meeting to discuss this is on June 7th, at 1:30.

Pastor's Report – Cindy Rasmussen

At the 2016 General Conference the Bishops appointed a committee called "A Way Forward" to address the United Methodists long-standing debate and growing division regarding human sexuality. The committee has completed their work and presented three proposals to the Bishops: 1) Traditionalist Plan, 2) One Church Plan, and 3) Connectional Conference Plan. The proposals have been reviewed by the Bishops and they have recommended the "One Church Plan." The final decision will be made at the special 2019 General Conference. More information will be available at that time. If you are interested in more information it can be found at: www.minnesotaumc.org/.../bishops-recommend-one-church-plan

Old Business and New Business - none

Closing

Future Ad Council meetings:

June 19th, at 7:00 pm (if needed)

August 21st, at 7:00 pm

Jan Akervik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. **M – Jan Akervik, S – Pat Anscomb.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Patricia Bennett, Recording Secretary



The Asbury UMC Finance Committee's responsibility is to manage and direct the financial affairs of the church and provide leadership for the Fall Financial Stewardship Campaign. Recently they, along with the members of the Board of Trustees, met to explore options for funding the repair of the two flat roofs at the front of the church. This is the process and the decisions that were made:

A combined meeting of the Finance/Stewardship Committee and the Board of Trustees was held on April 17, 2018, to explore options and recommend a plan to fund the upcoming roof repair. The two committees celebrated the generous financial response from the congregation of \$15,180 and UMW matching funds of \$10,000.

They then explored various ways of funding the remaining amount for the roof repair including using unspent available funds (remaining MN Dot Sale proceeds, money from the merger with Bethany UMC and a Capital Improvement Emergency Fund), obtaining a loan and using a small portion of our ALLETE stock assets. Of these options, the Committees felt it is necessary to keep the Capital Improvement Emergency Fund because it is money given by the congregation through a previous fundraiser for a specific need and also thought obtaining a loan would not be in the church's best interest.

The Committee discussed the possibility of selling 135 shares (approximately \$10,000) of our ALLETE stock, which would be less than 4% of the total number of shares we own. The number of shares to sell from each of our two ALLETE stock accounts was determined by the total number of shares held and the percentage of that total in each separate fund (40% in the Asbury Fund and 60% in the Schwar Fund).

After much thoughtful discussion and consideration, the following motion was made and approved by the combined committees: To use the leftover MNDOT Land Sale Proceeds of \$2,797 along with the \$3,374 of the remaining Bethany Funds combined with a sale of 135 shares of ALLETE Stock (81 shares from the Schwar Fund and 54 from the Asbury Fund) in addition to the money raised by the congregation and matched by UMW (\$10,000) to pay for the necessary roof repairs.

At the Ad Council meeting on May 15, 2018, Pat Anscorb, on behalf of the Finance and Trustees, moved that we approve this proposal and Ruth Thorpe seconded. The Ad Council discussed this motion and because of the changing value of the stock, Cathy Sampson made a motion for an amendment changing the exact number of ALLETE stock sold: a sale of ALLETE stock in the amount \$10,000 with 60% from the Schwar Fund and 40% from the Asbury Fund. Carrie Sutherland seconded the amendment and it was approved.

The amended motion was then presented: To use the leftover MNDOT Land Sale Proceeds of \$2,797 along with the \$3,374 of the remaining Bethany Funds combined with a sale of ALLETE stock in the amount \$10,000 with 60% from the Schwar Fund and 40% from the Asbury Fund, in addition to the money raised by the congregation and matched by UMW (\$10,000) to pay for the necessary roof repairs.

This motion was unanimously approved by the Administrative Council.

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Join us for the 14th Annual CHUM Rhubarb Fest June 23, 2018, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at 11th Avenue East and London Road.

Admission is free.

Rhubarb fun for everyone! Get your taste buds ready to tackle the tangy tartness of every rhubarb delicacy known to mankind. There will be games, crafts, music, auctions, stage shows and FOOD including rhubarb brats and burritos and rhubarb lemonade! Booths open at 9:00 am.

Bake Sale: Hundreds of pies plus rhubarb pound cake, truffles, muffins, crisps, cakes, breads, strudel bars, preserves and even gluten-free treats!

Coffee Shop: Enjoy fresh-from-the-oven rhubarb cobbler and crisps served with ice cream, scones, slices of pie and, of course, coffee!

Free Water: Water will be provided for free throughout the festival grounds. Bring your own water bottle so we can be as waste free as possible!

Silent Auction and Bucket Raffle: Many items to choose from, including works by local artists, gift certificates and items from local businesses.

Enjoy these Rhubarb Fest Activities:

- Stage Show (*go to <http://www.chumduluth.org/stageshow.htm> for stage show details*).
- Positive Energy Outdoors Obstacle Course and Climbing Wall. Climbing from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.
- Duluth East Daredevils Robotics
- Zenith Hooping Company Hula Hoop lessons and Hula tricks from 9:30 to 11:30 am.
- Make Ash basket strips with Dr. Mark Boyce from 11:45 am to 1:45 pm. Watch him weave a basket!
- Whole Foods Co-op "Rhubarb Face" Contest
- Largest Rhubarb Leaf and Rhubarb Stalk Contest
- Children's race starting at 9:00 am
- Master gardeners available to answer questions.

Pastoral Care

Because of the privacy act, hospitals no longer telephone churches to let us know that one of our members have been admitted. Please notify the church office (218-624-0061) if you or someone you know is in need of pastoral care for illness, hospitalization or surgeries. In the case of an emergency and there is no answer at the church, call Pastor Cindy at 218-464-0304.

Asbury UMC Wildfire Picnic — July 17

Join us for the Wildfire Youth and Asbury's annual picnic potluck at Gary and Sandy Winklesky's home at 3216 Wellington St., on July 17 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm.

Everyone welcome — please bring a dish to share. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Burgers, brats, hot dogs, beverages and utensils will be provided by Gary and Sandy.

This is an Asbury UMC (as a member TPUMM — Twin Ports United Methodist Ministry), hosted event. Any questions, please call 624-9433 or 390-2116.



Adventure Day Camp 2018 — July 23-26

Our Twin Ports United Methodist Ministries: Asbury, Faith, First, Forbes, Hillside, Hope and Norton Park United Methodist Churches present Adventure Day Camp 2018. Camp dates are July 23 to July 26 from 10:00 am to 3:15 pm each day at Horace Johnson Boy Scout Camp, Island Lake. Bussing will be provided. Eligible campers are those finishing Kindergarten through 7th grade. There will be canoeing, arts and crafts, story/drama, swimming, games, an exploration station, snacks and a great deal of fun!



Adventure Day Camp

Extended Care (supervised play at Hillside UMC before and after camp) will again be offered this year in the morning from 7:30 to 9:30 am and after camp from 3:30 to 5:30 pm.

Camp scholarships are available through the UMW. Registration forms are on the table in the narthex. **Registration deadline is July 9.** Please contact Pastor Cindy with questions.

Youth counselors (youth who have completed 8th grade)/volunteer opportunities are also available. Applications, a health form and an expectations' information sheet are available on the table in the narthex. We are also looking for adults who would like to serve in any capacity during camp.

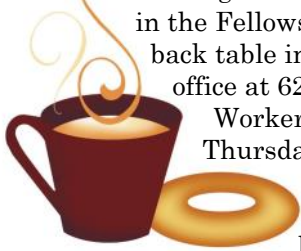
Mandatory Youth Counselor/Volunteer training will be on Sunday, July 22, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at First UMC, 230 E. Skyline Pkwy., Duluth. Root beer floats will be served — yummy! Please contact Pastor Cindy with questions.





Have You Placed Your Order Yet!

Yummy donuts are coming on June 8! Our summer donut sale (\$4.00 per dozen) will be the morning of Friday, June 8, from 7:00 to 11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. Order sheets are on the back table in the narthex. Or, call the church office at 624-0061.



Workers are needed to mix batter on Thursday, June 7, at 8:30 am. On Friday, June 8, we need help for rolling/cutting out, frying and bagging the donuts. We start at 6:00 am but please come when you can.

Please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the narthex, or call Bev LeClair at 628-2680, if you are able to help.

Clothing Rummage Sale Discontinued

The decision has been made to discontinue the clothing rummage sale. **Please DO NOT bring clothing items to be stored in the garage.** We recommend you donate your clothing items to Savers, Salvation Army, Goodwill, Bethany Crisis Shelter, Union Gospel, Damiano Center, Kid's Closet, Society of Vincent DePaul in Superior or the charity of your choice.

Asbury News

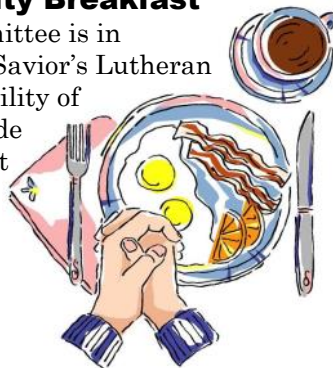
West Duluth Community Breakfast

Asbury's Outreach Committee is in conversation with Our Savior's Lutheran Church to explore the possibility of partnering together to provide a Free Community Breakfast on the fourth Saturday of each month.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church will be hosting the breakfast providing the space for preparing and serving the breakfast. There are a number of churches in Duluth that already provide this ministry and we are learning from their experiences.

The main focus would be to build community, provide companionship, create friendships and enjoy a delicious breakfast with our neighbors. We are still working out the specifics.

Jan Evans and Pastor Cindy are on the "Steering Committee" and will provide more information as it becomes available. We let you know how you can participate! We are excited about this new West Duluth outreach ministry!



— Pastor Cindy

UMW Meetings

- UMW board members will meet in the Wesley Room at 9:30 am on Wednesday, June 6. **There will be no meeting in July.** Thereafter, the board will meet again on Wednesday, August 1.
- Love/Hope Circle will not meet in June, July or August. The next meeting is at 1:00 pm on September 18.
- Faith Circle will not meet in June, July or August. The next meeting is at 7:00 pm on September 20.
- Knitting Klub members meet at 2:00 pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month in the Wesley Room. Come join us!
- Green Door Book Club members meet at 9:30 am on the 3rd Monday of each month in the Wesley Room. **Members will meet in the Community Room on June 18 at Ruth Thorpe's residence at 1902 St. Louis Ave., Duluth.** Thereafter, Book Club will not meet again until 9:30 am on September 17.

Gardening Team Perennial Plant Sale

The Asbury Gardening Team's Annual Perennial Plant Sale is scheduled for 11:00 am on Sunday, June 3, in the Fellowship Hall. We will be selling divisions of some of our existing plants from Asbury's gardens and also plants from the Gardening Team members' home gardens. There is always a great selection of plants at very cost-effective prices. *If anyone has plants to contribute to the sale, they are most welcome!*

The money raised from the plant sale is used to purchase the annual plants that go into the pots at the entrance to Asbury and in the planter beneath the outdoor sign. Monies are also used for other gardening items as needs arise.

The Gardening Team meets Monday mornings at 8:30 am throughout the growing season starting May 14 (if it is 50 degrees or better), unless it's raining or a holiday. We meet briefly in the Fellowship Hall to discuss plans for the day and then continue on outdoors. **We welcome any and all who are interested in helping out.**

Thank to you everyone for all of your support in the past and your help in the future.

— Asbury Gardening Team

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Return service requested

Meet Our Staff



Pastor:.....Cindy M. Rasmussen
Administrative Asst.:Shirley Brandt
Choir Director:Ruby Slennes
OrganistPhyllis Kruell
Praise Team Leadervaries
Custodian:Dan Mokros
Ad Council Chair: ..Bonnie Schroeder-Palmi
Treasurer:Pat Anscomb
Lay Leader:..... Steve Kokotovich
Trustees: Terry Olson
UMW President.....Jan Akervik
SPRC ChairCathy Sampson
Worship Chair Ruth Thorpe
Christian Education:..... Cheryl Parendo
Christian Education:.....Sandy Winklesky

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NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE: June 21 for July 2018 Messenger.

Please submit all articles of interest to Shirley in the church office by the deadline listed above.
Items may be dropped off, e-mailed or mailed. Thank you.

Worship With Us Every Sunday at 10:00 am.

NOTE:

1st Sunday of each month we share Holy Communion,
2nd Sunday we recognize those celebrating birthdays.
3rd Sunday our music is led by our Praise Team.
*Every Sunday we give thanks and celebrate
God's great gifts and presence in our lives.*



Asbury's Mission Statement

*Asbury United Methodist is a caring, Christian community which welcomes all persons as God's children.
We will strive to grow in spirit and seek God's vision of hope, love and peace in the community and world.*