



**Asbury**

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6822 Grand Avenue  
Duluth, MN 55807

The Reverend  
Cindy M. Rasmussen

Sunday Worship — 10:00 am

Office Hours

Mon-Weds-Friday 9:00 am—1:00 pm

Tues-Thurs 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

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# Messenger

## September 9

**Worship at 10:00 am.**  
(Sunday School Teacher Dedication)

**Sunday School at 10:15 am.**  
(Children come to Worship  
and leave for  
Sunday School after Children's Time)



An information packet has been mailed out to parents and children which includes a schedule for the year and a registration form.

**Please bring the filled out registration form to church on Rally Sunday.**

Registration forms also will be available on the back table in the narthex or online at Asbury's website: [www.asburyduluth.org](http://www.asburyduluth.org).

### Community Meal in Fellowship Hall

Sloppy Joes (from head chef Joe Kokotovich and helpers!)  
Corn-on-the Cob provided by the Downs Family!

**Volunteers are needed to help with serving and clean up.**

There will be a sign-up sheet on the table in the narthex.  
Questions, please contact Sandy W., Cheryl P. or Pastor Cindy.

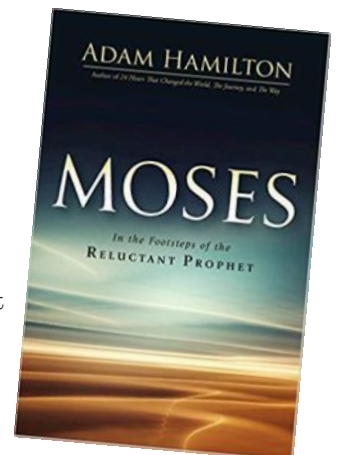
Great, lively fellowship (that's where you come in!)

(Free will offering!)

### Adult Education Scheduled For September 27

We will gather on Thursday mornings from 10:30-11:30 am beginning September 27 and ending November 1 to study Adam Hamilton's book *Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet*. Books will be available on Tuesday, September 4 for a cost of \$13.50 each. Please make check out to Asbury UMC. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex.

Adam Hamilton explores the sites of Moses' life, from the Nile River to the Reed Sea and from Mount Sinai to the desert wilderness. Using historical information, archeological data, and biblical text, Hamilton guides the participants in the footsteps of this reluctant prophet who blazed a trail of faith.



# Cindy's Corner

*Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. . . For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. . . So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen, since what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.*

(Portions of 2 Corinthians 4 NIV)

I am a true believer in finding teachers everywhere! In the past few weeks there have been two "teaching" experiences that I want to share with you.

The first is a tree I found while wandering the rocks waiting to watch a ship come in at Two Harbors. The picture at right shows how this tree is growing strong and steady in the small cracks between the rocks. What was even more fascinating was when I looked closer there was a sharp long rock going in one side of the tree and coming out the other side. I don't know if a storm pushed the rock through the trunk or if it grew around it.

I sat for a long time looking at the tree and the rock, thinking about resilience in the midst of adversity.

Resilience is the process of adapting well in the face of adversity, trauma, tragedy, threats or significant sources of stress. It is a quality that allows some people to be knocked down by life and come back stronger than ever. Rather than letting failure overcome them and drain their resolve, they find a way to rise from the ashes. Research has shown that resilience is ordinary, not extraordinary. It is available and possible for all of us!

The second "teaching" experience happened when I was spending a few days at a resort with friends. Maddy, a very curious almost three-year-old, was

exploring the cabin. She opened a drawer, found a Bible and brought it to her aunt Becca to read. Becca told her the book was a bit too difficult so they created a game where Becca would point to a letter or number and Maddy would confidently tell her what it was.

They were having a great time until Becca pointed to a W and Maddy said, "that's an M."

Becca told her it really wasn't an M but it is like an upside down M.

Maddy was silent for a few moments, then reached out and turned the book the other direction. She smiled and said, "now it is an M!" Then I smiled and thought, hmm... sometimes it is just a matter of perspective. Maybe that is what Jesus meant when he said we need to "become like little children."

Perspective has a Latin root meaning "look through" or "perceive," and all the meanings of perspective have something to do with looking. "Keep things in perspective" means to look at the whole "picture," to see things in their proper relation/proportion to the whole. The idea is something like stepping back from the something you are concerned about so you can see other things too.

Resilience and perspective, from the teachers among us!

*Blessings,  
Pastor Cindy*



**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 News

## Thank You!

Dear Gary & Sandy Winklesky and Asbury UMC:  
Thank you for your part in making the Wildfire! Youth Mission Event a huge success! The meal was yummy!



This year, we hosted youth from 14 different churches across the state! Each day we were able to help people, community programs and ministries throughout the Twin Ports area with projects such as painting, cleaning, sorting, and much more. Each day we had wonderful meals, engaging worship and great evening fun activities. The best part was that we were able to grow closer to Christ and each other. So, thank you for helping make this possible for us. We are looking forward to serving the community again next year! — The Wildfire! Youth Mission Team

Dear Pastor Cindy and Asbury United Methodist:  
Thank you for contributing to the Rhubarb Festival this year by putting up a yard sign advertising the Rhubarb Festival and having some of your members volunteer at the Fest. It really is amazing what a community can do when we pull together to achieve a common goal! This year's 14th Annual Rhubarb Festival is a wonderful example of how businesses, individuals and congregations such as Asbury UMC, can make a difference in the lives of our community members. Together we raised \$62,000 to support CHM programming. On behalf of those we serve, our staff and Board of Directors, thank you!

— Mary M. Schmitz, CHUM Dev. Dir. & Rhubarb Festival Coordinator



### Outreach/ Communion Offering . . .

August's offering of \$76 went to CHUM. September's offering will go to LifeHouse.

### Attendance . . .

August 5	58
August 12	50
August 19	63
August 26	74

### Scripture Readers . . .

Sept 2	Sue Soder
Sept 9	Shelly Vanneste
Sept 16	Jan Akervik
Sept 23	Leo Lambert
Sept 30	Barbara Little

### 2018 Music Program Plan — Introducing “Asbury Singers”

Over the summer, members of the Adult Choir, Staff Parish Relations Committee and Worship Committee have met to put together a plan for our 2018 Music Program. Since members of the previous Adult Choir and Praise Team will be participating we have come up with a new name – **Asbury Singers**.

Asbury Singers will be scheduled to sing five times annually from September through May. The dates are:



- October 14 – Children's Sabbath
- December 9 – Advent
- December 24 – Christmas Eve
- February 24
- April 21 – Easter Sunday

The Singers will meet to practice for the performances on Monday evenings from 6:30-7:00 pm, before Praise Team rehearsals. **For those who cannot attend on Monday nights**, there will be an additional rehearsal every Sunday morning from 9:00-9:30 am in the Wesley room (except for the third Sunday of each month when Phyllis will be rehearsing with the Praise Team for worship).

Phyllis and Kim have selected the songs for the year to assure music is in place to begin practice. However, suggested alternatives are welcome if submitted in a timely manner. The music chosen has three or four parts. There will not be an identified director for the Asbury Singers at this time. This Music Plan will be reviewed in January 2019 and will be subject to change as needed.

### Youth Choir

There will be a new format for the children/youth music program. The Sunday School will become the Youth Choir and will rehearse each Sunday morning during our regular Sunday School time. Ruby Slennes will continue working with them throughout the church program year.


Ruby also hopes to work with small groups to perform during worship. They will rehearse after Worship/Sunday School in the Wesley Room.

1	Donna Mickelson
2	Shaina Nickila
3	Laura Schwartz
4	Krista Paczynski
5	Isadora Blazevic
	Nathan Nylund
6	Abigail Beaver
7	Haley Winklesky
8	Erin Ridgewell
9	Duane Palmi
14	Cheryl Parendo
15	Shirley Brandt
17	Ashley Rolland
	Nancy Wagner
20	Jerry Smith
27	Brian Bennett
29	Ryder Wrazidlo
30	Elrena Greeney
	Jill Lepisto

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

# Calendar

## September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>2</b> 10:00 am, Worship/ Communion 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH	<b>3</b>  <b>LABOR DAY</b> OFFICE CLOSED	<b>4</b> 9:00 am Kiwanis, FH 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR	<b>5</b> 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 9:30 am UMW Board Meeting, WR	<b>6</b> 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 10:00 to 11:00 am, 2nd Harvest Food Dist 4:00 pm, SPR, WR	<b>7</b> Dumpster Pick Up	<b>1/8</b>
<b>9</b> <b>RALLY SUNDAY</b> 10:00 am, Worship/Birthday/ Teacher Dedication/ Sunday School 11:00 am Luncheon, FH 6:00 pm, BS Troop 16, FH	<b>10</b> 8:30 am Garden Team 6:00 pm CS Pack 3116, FH 6:30 pm Praise Team	<b>11</b> 9:00 am Kiwanis, FH 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 2:00 pm Knitting Klub, WR	<b>12</b> 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH	<b>13</b> 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 4:00-6:00 pm Kiwanis Pancakes	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 10:00 am, Worship/Praise/ Sunday School 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH	<b>17</b> 8:30 am Garden Team 9:30 am Book Club, WR 6:00 pm CS Pack 3116, FH 6:30 pm Asbury Singers & Praise Team	<b>18</b> 9:00 am Kiwanis, FH 9:30 am, BB, WR 1:00 pm Love/Hope Circle, WR 6:00 pm Trustees, WR 7:00 pm Ad Council, WR	<b>19</b> 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 8:30 am Pastor Cindy @ CHUM 6:00 pm Christian Ed, WR	<b>20</b> 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 7:00 pm Faith Circle, WR	<b>21</b> <b>PASTY SALE</b> Dumpster Pick Up	<b>22</b> <b>PASTY SALE</b> 9:00-10:30 am Free Community Breakfast, Our Savior's Lutheran
<b>PASTIES see page 6 for schedule</b>						
<b>23</b> 9:00 am Asbury Singers Rehearsal 10:00 am, Worship/Sunday School 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH 6:00 pm, BS Troop 16, FH	<b>24</b> 8:30 am Garden Team 6:00 pm CS Pack 3116, FH 6:30 pm Asbury Singers & Praise Team	<b>25</b> 9:00 am Kiwanis, FH 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 2:00 pm Knitting Klub, WR	<b>26</b> 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH	<b>27</b> 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 10:30—11:30 am Adult Study, "Moses" <b>MESSENGER            EMAILS/MAILS</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>30</b> 9:00 am Asbury Singers Rehearsal 10:00 am, Worship/Sunday School 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH 6:00 pm, BS Troop 16, FH			YOGA classes are held Wednesdays at 5:30 pm in Asbury's Fellowship hall unless there is a scheduling conflict. Contact Cheryl Zupec, 218.343.4478 or <a href="mailto:czupec@hotmail.com">czupec@hotmail.com</a> for more information.			

# Asbury News

## Ad Council Meeting Minutes — 8-21-18

### Opening

Bonnie Schroeder-Palmi called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Pastor Cindy asked each member to mention one thing for which they are grateful. She followed members' responses with a prayer.

### Secretary's Report:

Minutes of the May 15, 2018, Administrative Council were reviewed. Steve Kokotovich made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

**M – Steve Kokotovich, S – Jan Akervik**

### Lay Leader's Report – Steve Kokotovich

Steve mentioned that he is looking forward to the activities of our busy Fall season.

### Treasurer's Report – Pat Anscorb

The July monthly summary was given. Balance on Hand, 7/31/18 is \$47,516.28. This amount includes money collected for the roof repair. The roof repair has now been totally paid.

We have currently paid 25% of our 2018 Conference Apportionments. Total Apportionment - \$23,032.00, Paid to Date - \$5,758.05, Balance Due - \$17,273.95.

### Staff Parish Relations Committee – Cathy Sampson

Cathy reminded us that if we have a concern to tell her or Pastor Cindy so that little issues don't become big issues.

Cathy and Dawn Jones attended a SPRC workshop in North Branch. From the meeting they learned that the committee needs to update the church profile. The committee will be working on this project this Fall.

### Trustee's Report – Pastor Cindy for Terry Olson

Steve Kokotovich mentioned that the dishwasher has a sticky valve. A laminated sign will be posted by the dishwasher to inform people how to work with this issue.

The Trustees are going to make a list of all of the things that need to be done so they can be addressed.

We will have a bid on the Wesley Room and the classroom windows by next week.

### United Methodist Women – Jan Akervik

The busy Fall activities are about to start.

Because production costs are going up, prices will be changing. Pasties will remain the same for this Fall. Pies increase to \$10.00 and donuts to \$4.50. 154 hats have been made for the mitten and tree.

The UMW are looking for a person or a team to do kitchen cleaning twice a year. A detailed "to do" list is available.

Faith Circle will decide at their September meeting if they will continue the Layette Closet. The Salvation Army has not been requesting bags lately.

### Outreach and Missions Team – Steve Kokotovich

The committee met tonight prior to the Ad. Council Meeting.

Serving at the Damiano Center will probably start in October.

The July 17<sup>th</sup>, Wildfire Picnic at the Winklesky's was a success.

The August 7<sup>th</sup>, Neighborhood Night Out Picnic at Asbury was well attended. Some Asbury members participated in the CHUM Rhubarb Festival.

The Western Duluth Churches will sponsor a community breakfast on the fourth Saturday of each month from 9:00 to 10:30, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Asbury will participate in these events.

The committee decided not to host American Red Cross blood drives at the church.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

7/31/18

### GENERAL FUND:

Beginning Cash Balance, 6/30/18	\$ 33,820.91
Deposits	\$ 25,122.74
Total to account for	\$ 58,943.65
Checks Written	<\$ 11,427.37>
Balance on Hand, 7/31/18	\$ 47,516.28*
*Includes roof repair donations	
Unpaid Bills through 7/31/18 (includes apportionments)	\$ 8,114.20
Net Ending Balance at 7/31/18	<u>\$ 39,402.08</u>

### Education Team – Cheryl Parendo and Sandy Winklesky

The committee met on August 8, and planned for the upcoming Sunday School year.

A letter, a registration form and a calendar of the year's events will be mailed to the parents soon.

Rally Sunday will be on September 9<sup>th</sup>, with a lunch to be provided after church.

It was suggested that we put up a sign in the front of the church to invite the community to Sunday School.

The next meeting will be on September 19<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m.

### Worship Team – Ruth Thorpe

The meeting scheduled for last week was rescheduled for next week.

At the meeting they will review the summer Wednesday services, talk about the sound system and discuss what will happen next with the choirs.

### Nurture/Congregational Care Team – Sandy Winklesky

The Visitation Committee hosted the 80 Plus Luncheon on August 16<sup>th</sup>.

The Scholarship committee will award recipients of the Maida and VanKleek Scholarships this coming Sunday. Each scholarship is for \$1,000.

Patty Bennett reported that the Membership Committee has a new postcard that they are sending out to people visiting our church.

### Pastor's Report – Cindy Rasmussen

The Wednesday Worship Services were well received.

September 9<sup>th</sup> is Rally Day. Vince and Billy will be here.

Fall events: Pasties, Pantry, Donuts, Pies and Meatball Dinner

The stewardship schedule is in the planning process.

Adult education classes will be on Thursdays at 10:45 or 11:00 a.m. They are planning on studying either Moses or Faithlink.

TPUMMS had a meeting and dinner at the Winkleskys'.

Wildfire at the Winkleskys' had 105 people total.

### Old Business

Instead of replacing our front doors, they will be repaired.

### New Business - none

### Closing

The next Ad Council meetings will be on September 18<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00.

Steve Kokotovich made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. **M – Steve Kokotovich,**

**S – Pat Anscorb.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Patricia Bennett, Recording Secretary

# Asbury News

## Asbury UMC Has Its Shine On!

An amazing crew of 13 volunteers participated in our church cleaning day on Wednesday, August 22. The pews and all of the wood surfaces upstairs were cleaned; windows washed inside and out, upstairs and downstairs; the Wesley Room was cleaned, as well as some of the cupboards in the kitchen and other projects. A HUGE thank you to these special, caring folks for helping to keep our church maintained and to Judy Pearson for organizing this event.

## Back to School Backpacks

Asbury UMC is once again collecting backpacks to be left in the area at the back of the church. The backpacks will be brought to area elementary schools where they will be distributed to children who are in need of them.

Please place your backpacks in the designated area at the back of the church. Thank you!



## National Night Out Picnic — August 7

We had another really enjoyable National Night Out Picnic this year, serving about 85 people which included seven police, some neighbors and many of our congregation. We served food, had activities for the children and there was lots of socializing. A great time was had by all. Our thanks to everyone who attended and to those who contributed food. Special thanks to those who helped with setting up, taking down, serving and a multitude of other tasks. Our sincere appreciation!

— Outreach Committee



## Pancakes For Supper? — September 13

Come have pancakes for supper on September 13 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm in Asbury's Fellowship Hall. Sponsored by the Spirit Valley Kiwanis, tickets are only \$6.00 for adults; \$3.50 for children 4-12; and FREE for 3 and under.

Enjoy delicious pancakes, sausage patties and a beverage.

All proceeds are used for Youth Programs.



## Pasty Sale — September 21-22

It's time for pasties again! September 20-22 will be pasty making time. Sale days are the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. Your help is needed for this huge project.

We peel veggies and make dough on Thursday, September 20. Many hands are needed so please sign up to help.

On September 21 and 22 the crew will roll out crusts, fill crusts, crimp, bake, cook and package. We have a great team and great fun!

We also need a clean-up team—not hard but necessary! Please see schedule below for times to help!

And, we are in need of brown grocery bags which can be left in the kitchen. Thank you.

There is a sign in the narthex plus an order form on the table where you can sign up to help and/or place your order for pasties. Be sure to order your pasties early before our quota is filled!

Pasties are \$4.00 each/gravy 60 cents each.

**ORDER DEADLINE is September 16.**

### Pick Up Times:

Friday, September 21 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Saturday, September 22 from 10:00 to NOON

All pasty orders need to be picked up by NOON on September 22.

### Pasty Sale Work Schedule

#### Thursday, September 20

8:00 am Mix crust.

This is not hard and we will teach you.

9:30 am Men and women peel veggies.

**Come when you can and stay for as long as you can!**

#### Friday, September 21

6:00 am — 2:00 pm

Preparation and baking of pasties.

**Come when you can and stay for as long as you can!**

NOON Four people are needed for clean up, six volunteers would be great!

#### Saturday, September 22

6:00 am — NOON

Pasty baking—come and learn how to bake pasties.

**Come when you can and stay for as long as you can!**

NOON Six people needed for clean up, 8 or more would be terrific!

# Asbury News



**Some of the 80+ Luncheon attendees, helpers and clean-up crew!**

## Visitation Team Hosts 80+ Luncheon On August 16

On Thursday, August 16, Asbury seniors, 80 plus years or older, assembled for lunch, conversation and blessings. Following a delicious chicken salad lunch with strawberry shortcake for dessert, all guests joined together in the sanctuary for a worship service of singing, comforting words and communion led by Pastor Cindy.

A huge thank you goes out to all members of the Visitation Team and to all who provided transportation, played piano; cooked, served and helped set up and clean up.

— Visitation Team

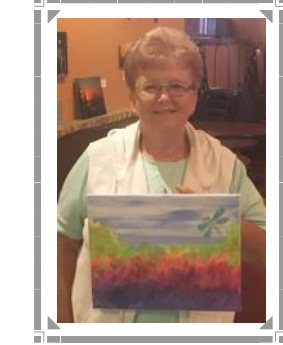
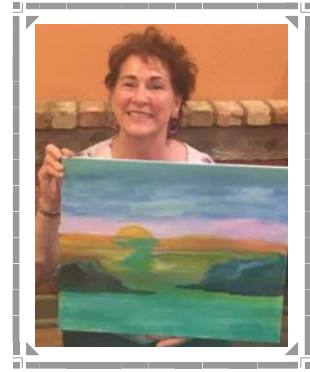
# Asbury News



Lady Di of Lady Di Painting



Lots of paint colors to choose from!



## Asbury Hosted Painting Party Great Success!

On August 22 at VIP Pizza in Superior, 14 aspiring artists were born! Lady Di of Lady Di Painting was the instructor. She supplied all the materials along with giving step-by-step instructions during the course of the painting process. Participants also enjoyed pizza, beverages and dessert! Lots of laughter and a great time was had by all in attendance. At the end of the night everyone had created a “masterpiece”! Samples of just a few are pictured above! Please also see the board in the narthex for other paintings!

## Message From Our Sponsored Child

We recently received correspondence and a drawing from Katerin, our sponsored child at Compassion. It is written here verbatim as translated from Spanish to English by Ana Mercedes Perez .

*Dear Sponsors Friends:*

*I am happy to greet you hoping that you find healthy and blessed. I want to tell you about my community.*

*The name of my community is La Criba. To transport we use trucks, bicycle and walking. The people works as farmers, keepers, sales women, tortilla maker, maids and factory workers. The thing that I like the most in my community is the river and*

*the places where the water born. How is the place where you live? What thing do you like most about that place? Thank you for the nice letter that you sent me, I love read them and I feel happy to know more about you. Thank you for your prayers for me. I want to tell you that I am attending the athletic class at the project and*



*learning about sport. I like it a lot because I am discovering new abilities in the athletics. I want to ask you for your prayers for my family and for me to God may help us in all that we do. I feel so happy to greet you and tell you a little about my community. I hope to write you soon, God bless you, I say good bye with many hugs.*

*— Katerin Paola Lopez.*



Our 2018 Scholarship winners were Arianna Thieling (ctr L), who received the Carol B. Maida Scholarship and Janessa Brackett (ctr R), who received the Robert & Aileen VanKleek Scholarship. They are pictured here with Carrie Sutherland, chair of the Scholarship Team (L) and Pastor Cindy.





## Asbury Fall Pantry — Planning Ahead!

The Asbury UMW Fall Pantry will soon be here on Saturday, October 13 from 9:00 to 11:00 am.

We are planning ahead and are asking for help now with pie making, donut making or sharing your special talent in baking, knitting or crafting. **We especially need jams and jellies and items for the bake sale table plus cookies for the cookie table.** Cash donations are also welcome!



All contributions should be brought to the Fellowship Hall on Friday, October 12 from 8:00 to 11:00 am as this is set-up day!

Saturday workers will be needed by 8:00 am and should park in the upper lot to allow easy parking in the lower lot for Fall Pantry guests. If you are bringing baked goods in on Saturday, please bring them in by 8:00 am. It would be helpful to have bars, cupcakes, in packages of 6 or 12.

We will make our scrumptious apple pies on October 4 and 5 starting at 7:45 am. There will be a sign-up sheet for help and an order form on the table at the back of the church. There has been a slight price increase due to increased production costs. Pies are now \$10.00 each.

Donut making for our delicious donuts is October 12-13. We start at 8:30 am on October 12 to make the dough. On October 13 we start at 6:00 am (come when you can) to roll and cut out donuts, fry and bag. Please call Bev LeClair, if you can help. There is also a slight increase in the donuts' cost to \$4.50/dozen. Order forms will be on the back table.

Our Asbury Fall Pantry is UMW's major fundraiser for the 2019 budget. Thank you all for your participation in this event as it helps us do many good ministries throughout the year. We appreciate everyone's special talent and gift. Please spread the word, bring your friends and get a jump start on the upcoming holiday season!

**PLEASE NOTE:** Ice cream buckets and lids are needed by the time of our Meatball Dinner, October 23. Please bring to the kitchen. Also, save your pickle and jam jars and bring them to the kitchen to use next year!

## What's That Tantalizing Aroma?

Meatballs, meatballs, meatballs! Only \$10.00 at Asbury's Fall Meatball Dinner on Tuesday, October 23 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. Get your tickets and bring the family and your friends! Take out is available and Asbury is handicapped-accessible.

Our popular meatball dinner requires a lot of

## UMW Meetings

- UMW board members will meet in the Wesley Room on Wednesday, September 5.
- Love/Hope Circle will meet at 1:00 pm in the Wesley Room on September 18.
- Faith Circle will meet at 7:00 pm in the Wesley Room on September 20. Cheryl Parendo is the hostess and will share devotions. Members will contribute to the Casia Bud pickle fund and discuss working for pasties, pie making, donuts and the Fall Pantry. Fall activities are beginning!
- 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. The next meeting is September 17.

workers. We need your support and your help so please also consider volunteering some of your time. There will be a sign-up board in the narthex.

All proceeds go towards paying our 2019 Minnesota Annual Conference apportionments.

## Kitchen Cleaner Wanted at Asbury

Asbury UMC is looking for a person or a team to clean our kitchen two times a year; typically in November and July. A full description of necessary kitchen clean-up requirements is available along with a walk through with a UMW member.

This is a paid position; bids are required. Please provide references. If you are interested or know of a person/team who might be interested, please call the church office at 624-0061 or email [asburyumcduluth@hotmail.com](mailto:asburyumcduluth@hotmail.com).

## Annual Advent Tea — December 4

Our annual Advent Tea will be held on Tuesday, December 4 (**note change of date**) at 7:00 pm. The theme this year is "Angels Among Us." **Our program starts in the Sanctuary so please enter through the doors upstairs.** Guests will join their hostesses downstairs following the program.

Please consider being a table hostess and inviting seven guests to join you for this special event. Each hostess decorates her table and provides a dessert for her guests to enjoy. A sign-up sheet for hostesses will be on the table in the narthex sometime in the fall.

Please contact Cheryl Parendo, Pat Anscomb or Donna Mickelson for more information.

Asbury United Methodist  
PO Box 7135  
Duluth MN 55807

Return service requested

## Meet Our Staff



Pastor:.....Cindy M. Rasmussen  
Administrative Asst.: .....Shirley Brandt  
Organist .....Phyllis Kruell  
Praise Team Leader .....varies  
Custodian: .....Dan Mokros  
Ad Council Chair: ..Bonnie Schroeder-Palmi  
Treasurer: .....Pat Anscob  
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**NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE: September 18 for October 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.*