



Asbury

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6822 Grand Avenue
Duluth, MN 55807

**The Reverend
Katherine Cornell**

**10:00 am
Sunday Worship**

Office Hours
Monday — Thursday
9:00 am — 1:30 pm
Friday
9:00 am — 1:00 pm

Messenger

Welcome To Our New Pastor Katherine Cornell

A very warm welcome to Rev. Katherine Cornell who will be attending worship with Asbury's congregation on July 14. Her first day at Asbury UMC will be July 15 and she will be leading our Summer Wednesday Worship on July 17. Pastor Katherine's first Sunday leading worship will be July 21. She is very excited to meet everyone (please see her article on page 2 of this Messenger)!



New Keys To Be Issued July 8

With the installation of the new front doors and our new pastor coming, the Trustees have decided to install new locks as it has been 10 years since this last was done. As a result, **locks will be changed on Monday, July 8**. After that date, the old keys will no longer work.

All chairs of committees and coordinators of events (pasties, meatball dinner, donuts) will need to stop by the church office to sign for and pick up a new key. Asbury's office hours are 9:00 am to 1:30 pm Monday-Thursday and 9:00 am to 1:00 on Friday. Please call 624-0061 to confirm that Shirley is in the office.

Summer Wednesday Worship — July 17 at 6:00 pm

We will have Wednesday Worship outside followed by a light supper inside. Pastor Katherine Cornell will be leading worship with assistance from Phyllis Kruell, Debbie Merrick and Ruth Thorpe. There will be games and crafts for kids (and adults). Hot dogs, buns, chips, condiments and beverages will be provided. **Please bring a dish 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! Our final Wednesday Worship will be August 14 at 6:00 pm with Pastor Katherine leading.

Asbury UMC Wildfire Picnic — July 23

Join us for the Wildfire Youth and Asbury's annual picnic potluck at Gary and Sandy Winklesky's home at 3216 Wellington St., from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. **Everyone welcome — please bring a dish or dessert to share.**

Monetary donations also appreciated. A sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex. Burgers, brats, hot dogs, taco bar, beverages and utensils provided. Questions? Please call 624-9433 or 390-2116.



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A Penny For Your Thoughts

Journeys

Bilbo Baggins says, “It’s a dangerous business, Frodo, going out your door. You step onto the road, and if you don’t keep your feet, there’s no knowing where you might be swept off to.”

Journeys can be dangerous things, and yet, if we are followers of Christ, we are all called to be on a journey. Christ says that the journey to follow him is not one that leads on the easy path, but rather is one that involves taking up a cross and following.

Paul reminds us that as followers of Christ, we are to decrease and Christ must increase in our lives. We are also reminded in the Gospels that we are not on this journey alone, but rather we travel together in community with others.

I am currently in the middle of a few journeys in my life. This week I have ridden a bike from Hickory, NC to Lake Junaluska, NC – a journey of 140 miles and many thousand feet of elevation change – with 14 other travelers including my oldest son, Michael.

Next week I will head to the beach for a week with my family. These past months we have been packing and loading boxes and bags in preparation for our move. In a few weeks, Brian and I will pick up our dog, Zeus, and head our van “Lil’ Ebe” north to journey to Duluth.



As I journey, I am reminded though the journey can be hard at times, the community is there to travel with me. Even when I was biking alone for a spell, I knew there were companions ahead and behind me who would help.

In the coming weeks and months, we will meet and begin our journey together. I am excited about the possibilities. I’m excited about building relationships and community with you so we can support and encourage one another wherever we are in the journey.

I’m excited to see where we will get “swept off to” as we follow Christ together. And, I’m excited to hear your stories along the way!

Blessings and Peace,

Katherine

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.

Asbury News



Thank You!

Dear Asbury Family:

Thank you just does not seem enough to express how grateful Alan's family is for all of the love, support and prayers the members of Asbury have shared for our Dad and our family. It goes without saying how much we appreciate the Praise Team, servers, clerical help and Cindy for the memorial service and social gathering that followed. What WE want everyone to know is how much it means to us that you were family to Alan.

Much love, Alan Johnson Family

Dear Asbury United Methodist Church:

Thank you for your generous donation. It is truly a blessing and makes a huge difference in our community. God Bless!

Union Gospel Mission

Dear Members and Friends of Asbury UMC:

Thank you for the wonderful celebration on June 16, my final Sunday with you as your pastor. It was a wonderful morning beginning with worship and ending with ice cream sundaes! I deeply appreciate all of your kind words, best wishes and the gifts that you gave me.

If you were unable to be present that day and would like a copy of the bulletin and/or my sermon, please contact Shirley, 624-0061, and she can email it to you or print you a copy.

It has been a privilege and blessing to be here in ministry with you, the faithful people of Asbury UMC. I will always treasure my time with you.

With love and gratitude, Cindy

Save the Date! — August 6

The National Night Out Neighborhood Picnic is scheduled for Tuesday, August 6 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm in Asbury's lower level parking lot. Sponsored by the Outreach Committee, this event is always an enjoyable evening for all of our congregation, friends and neighbors.



Sloppy Joes, calico beans and beverages are provided. We will have a sign-up sheet in the Narthex at the end of July for other kinds of food donations (if you so desire).

Join us for delicious food, games for the kids, much visiting and there may be a

surprise guest or two! More information on this fun event will be in upcoming announcements.

— Outreach Team

Hats, Hats, and More Hats!

Our friend Pat Seguin has come back from Arizona for the summer and has once again brought us hats for the Mitten/Hat Tree. This year she has brought us 129 hats. She will continue to knit over the summer while she is in Duluth and that total will go up by the time she and her husband head back home. We truly appreciate all her support of this project.

Now is a good time for all of us to be on the lookout for a bargain and see if we can find mittens/gloves (most needed), scarves, ear muffs, headbands and hats to help keep the heads and hands of our elementary students in our area warm over the winter months.

A big THANK YOU to Pat and to all of you who contribute to this important UMW Outreach Project!



Outreach/ Communion Offering . . .

June's offering of \$170.15 went to the Union Gospel Mission.

Our July offering will go to the Damiano Center.

Attendance . . .

June 2	77
June 9	107
June 16	122
June 23	36

Scripture Readers . . .

July 7	Jan Akervik
July 14	Leo Lambert
July 21	Sue Soder
July 28	Ruth Thorpe



- Rodger Parendo
- Karen Gokey
- Axel Tomaino
- Bonnie Schroeder-Palmi
Gary Winklesky
- Don DeMars
- Florence Brosdal
- Leo Lambert
- Piper Smisek
- Fred Little
Dawn Parendo
Sue Stebner
- Julie Hanson
Danyel Winklesky
- Roger Reinert
Tara Robinson
- Kevin Miller
Ron Stevens
- Steve Hanson
- Lisa Greene
- Bryan Green
Eric Robinson
- Stephanie Kujawa

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

Asbury News

Scholarship Sunday Awards

Scholarship Sunday was held on Sunday, June 9. This year we were excited to award two, \$1,000 scholarships!



From L to R: Scholarship Chair Shelly Vanneste; Alayna McGraw, Robert & Aileen VanKleek Scholarship recipient; Taylor Robinson, Carol B. Maida Scholarship recipient and Pastor Cindy Rasmussen.

Taylor Robinson was awarded the Carol B. Maida Scholarship, which was presented by Carol's dear friend, Lois Stromgren. Taylor has been a member of Asbury since being confirmed in the spring of 2013 and grew up attending Sunday worship regularly. She participated in Sunday School and youth group activities, as well as youth choir. She is a 2017 graduate of Esko High School and will be entering her second year at the University of Wisconsin La Crosse this fall where she is studying Physical Therapy.

Alayna McGraw was the recipient of the Robert & Aileen VanKleek Scholarship, which was presented by Ruth VanKleek Thorpe. Alayna has been attending Asbury since she was four years old and she was confirmed in March of 2015. She has participated in Sunday School, youth group activities and both the youth and adult choirs. She has also volunteered her time with the Fall Fest (formerly All Saints Party), meatball dinners and National Neighborhood Night Out picnic. Alayna graduated from Duluth East last month and has been accepted to the U of Minnesota Duluth where she will be studying Exercise Science.

Congratulations to both of these wonderful young ladies. We wish you all the best in your studies.

— Shelly Vanneste, Scholarship Chair

TREASURER'S REPORT: 5/31/19

GENERAL FUND:

Beginning Cash Balance, 4/30/19	\$ 10,967.21
Deposits	\$ 16,640.60
Total to Account for	\$ 27,607.81
Checks Written	<\$ 17,772.15>
Balance on Hand, 5/31/19	\$ 9,835.66

Unpaid Bills through 5/31/19 (includes apportionments)	\$ 5,324.44
Net Ending Balance at 5/31/19	\$ 4,511.22

Annual Plant Sale Thank You

Thanks to all who contributed plants and money for our annual perennial plant sale. It was a great success! Monies collected which will be used to purchase a variety of items as needs arise. Thanks also for your continued support of this important area of our church.

— Garden Committee

Lydia Project Scarves Delivered!

A tremendous amount of thanks to everyone who donated their time and yarn to crochet and knit purple scarves for the Minnesota Annual Conference's Lydia Project. Asbury's scarves were delivered on June 18 to the 2019 Conference and will be stored until distributed at the MN Annual Conference in 2020.



From L to R: A few of our knitters and crocheters. Barbara Downs, Bonnie Schroeder-Palmi, Sharon Picconatto and Pat Nelson.



A convenient, consistent way to help our church grow

Just a reminder that Asbury UMC offers an electronic giving option as a convenient way to automate monthly or yearly offerings. Application forms are available in the church office. Sign up today!



Calendar

July 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 8:30 am Garden Team, FH	2 9:00 am SVFC, FH 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR	3 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH	4  Independence Day	5	6
7 10:00 am, Worship/ Communion DS Susan Nienaber preaching 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH	8 8:30 am Garden Team, FH	9 9:00 am SVFC, FH 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 2:00 pm, Knitting Klub, WR	10 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH	11 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 10:00 to 10:45 am, 2nd Harvest Food Dist	12 Dumpster Pick Up	13
14 10:00 am, Worship/Birthday Debbie Merrick Video Presentation Pastor Katherine Cornell attending worship 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH	15 Pastor Katherine Cornell 1st Day 8:30 am Garden Team, FH 6:30 pm Praise Team Mission U Too 2019 registration deadline	16 9:00 am SVFC, FH 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR	17 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 6:00 pm Wednesday Worship w/ Pastor Katherine	18 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR	19	20
21 10:00 am, Worship/Praise 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH Pastor Katherine 1st Sunday	22 8:30 am Garden Team, FH MESSENGER DEADLINE	23 9:00 am SVFC, FH 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 2:00 pm, KK, WR 5:00 pm Wildfire Picnic @ Winkleskys	24 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 6:30 pm Worship, WR	25 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR	26 Dumpster Pick Up	27 8:45 am—3:30 pm Mission U Too 2019 hosted by Asbury UMC 9:00-10:30 am Free Community Breakfast Our Savior's Lutheran
28 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am Coffee & Fellowship, FH	29 8:30 am Garden Team, FH	30 9:00 am SVFC, FH 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR	31 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH MESSENGER EMAILS/MAILS	Praise Team practice for June, July and August is Monday at 6:30 pm the Monday prior to Praise Sunday. 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 info.		

The Legend of the Poinsettia in July!

Our annual Advent Tea will be held on Tuesday, December 10 at 7:00 pm. The theme this year is “The Legend of the Poinsettia.” **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.

This is an enjoyable evening with entertainment (information on entertainment will be in upcoming announcements and Messengers) and scrumptious desserts and a wonderful way to start the Advent season.

Please contact Cheryl Parendo, 624-4744, Pat Ancomb, 624-4554, Donna Mickelson, 624-4030 or Nancy Olson, 474-0963, for more information.

Kitchen Professionally Cleaned

Our Asbury kitchen was professionally cleaned on June 10. Please be respectful of all who use our kitchen and always take a few extra minutes to clean up after your group uses the kitchen and tables in the Fellowship Hall. Take home the towels and wash them and return them as soon as possible. Wipe down the counters and the tables used. Your help in keeping our kitchen clean is appreciated! Thanks! — UMW

Thank You For Donut Help/Sales

Thanks so much to everyone who helped make our donut sale on June 7 a huge success! We had one of our largest work crews ever, were done working by 9:00 am and **sold out by 9:30 am!** Monies collected go to UMW's budget for 2020. — Bev LeClair

Mission u Too 2019 — July 27

A Mission u Too 2019 session will be hosted by Asbury UMC on Saturday, July 27 beginning with check-in at 8:45 am and concluding by 3:30 pm. The program begins at 9:30 am. Cost for the day is \$40.00 and includes continental breakfast and lunch. Registration payment is **due July 15, 2019.**

Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.mnconfumw.com/mission_u or call Kim Harris, 763-300-5258, for assistance.



UMW Meetings

- The UMW board will not meet in July. The next meeting is August 7 at 9:30 am in the Wesley Rm.
- Love/Hope Circle. No meetings July/August. The next meeting will be in the Wesley Room in September. Time and date TBD.
- Faith Circle. No meetings will be held in June, July or August. The next meeting will be at 7:00 pm in the Wesley Room on September 19.
- 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. No meetings in July/August. The next meeting is September 16.

Study books are available through the UMW Resource store online: www.umwmissionresources.org or by calling 800-305-9857. Books are \$10.00 plus shipping. Books are also available on Kindle through Amazon.com. The featured study for this day is “*Practicing Resurrection: The Gospel of Mark and Radical Discipleship*”. The author, Janet Wolf, explores the timeless issues of poverty, gender, justice, liberation, equality using Mark as a guide. **Men are welcome!** **Scholarships are available** through UMW. Contact: Jan Akervik, 218-626-1539.

Fall Pantry—Planning Ahead

As you are growing your bountiful gardens this summer, please think about making a batch of jam or perhaps some pickles or other canned delicacy, or a batch of zucchini muffins or bread for UMW's Fall Pantry. UMW's budget is established for the next year as a result of the Fall Pantry sales of all the delicious homemade items including baked goods and craft items!

Monetary donations also are most welcome. Please make checks out to **Asbury UMW** and give checks or cash donations to our UMW treasurer, Lynn Tollefson.

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



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Return service requested

Meet Our Staff



Pastor:..... Katherine Cornell
Administrative Asst.: Shirley Brandt
Organist Phyllis Kruell
SS Choir Director Ruby Slennes
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Custodian: Dan Mokros
Ad Council Chair: .. Bonnie Schroeder-Palmi
Treasurer: Pat Anscob
Lay Leader: Steve Kokotovich
Trustees: Donna Mickelson
..... Tom Houle, Dale Thorpe
UMW President Jan Akervik
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Christian Education: Sandy Winklesky

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NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE: July 22 for August 2019 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.*