

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
A Place For All. No Exceptions.

6822 Grand Avenue  
Duluth, MN 55807

The Reverend  
Katherine Cornell

Online Sunday Worship  
10:00 am

Online Maundy Thursday Worship  
6:30 pm

Online Good Friday Worship  
7:00 pm

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Office Hours  
Closed until further notice.

# Messenger

## Informational Letter from Pastor Katherine

Dear Asbury UMC Congregation:

In response to Bishop Ough's directives, and our own call to keep people safe and do our part in keeping the COVID-19 virus from spreading, these are the actions our congregation will take through the end of March and going forward:

(1) No In-Person Worship until further notice – we will do livestream worship Sundays at 10 am ([www.facebook.com/asburyduluth](http://www.facebook.com/asburyduluth)) and will upload links to our website ([www.asburyduluth.org](http://www.asburyduluth.org)), as well as email the link to Asbury members and friends on Mondays. We can mail bulletins to those who would like them — please contact the church office ([asburyumcduluth@hotmail.com](mailto:asburyumcduluth@hotmail.com), 624-0061).

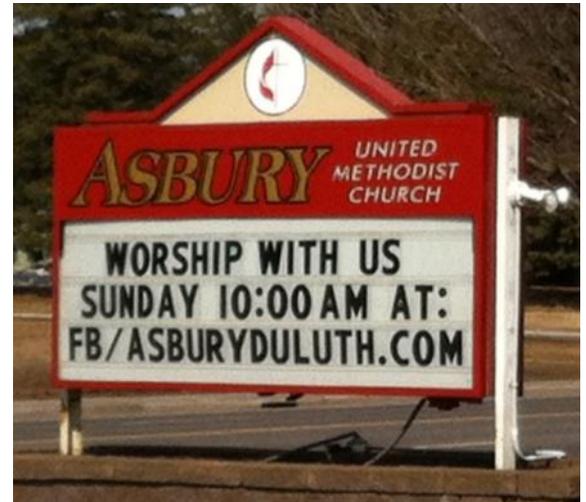
Currently the plan is to continue broadcasting from the Cornell house, but I would like to develop a team to pick up the live broadcasting once we do get back to worship.

(2) As of Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, no in-person, small-group meetings or gatherings in our church building. The church office will be closed during this time, although staff may be occasionally working in the building.

(3) No Funerals/Memorial Services will take place in the building. We will do outdoor graveside services and will schedule funerals/memorial services after the COVID-19 urgency has been resolved.

(4) Staff will be paid and will be working. Shirley will work from her home or the office as she feels comfortable. Phyllis will continue to plan for our music going forward. Dan will continue to clean including some deeper cleaning areas that he will be working on.

Plan on hearing from Pastor Katherine via e-mail, letter and social media during this time. She can be reached at [kcornell@wnccumc.net](mailto:kcornell@wnccumc.net) or 828-263-2035 (cell).



A Sign of the Times!

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# A Penny For Your Thoughts

## Entering Passion and Celebrating a Rejoicing, Risen Savior

**G**reetings dear friends! I have often heard it said that the more you enter into the passion of Jesus during Lent and Holy Week – seeking to remember not just the celebration of the parade on Palm Sunday, but to sink into the fear, isolation, betrayal and grief that Christ endured, the better your celebration of the victory on Easter Sunday is in contrast. Well, guess what my friends, by those standards, we are ALL going to have a bang up Easter celebration this year!

With all of the changes that we have had in the past few weeks and that seem to need to stay in place for a while longer, I'd like to take some time to remember a few things.

1) You are still a beloved Child of God! Nothing changes that and perhaps now, more than ever, we need to take time each day to bask in God's love for us! Thankfully, the sun is out for longer each day to warm us up physically, emotionally and spiritually.

2) God continues to call you to grow on your journey. God invites us each day to walk more closely in love. Though I know that for many of us this time at home can be challenging, I also encourage you to continue to look for opportunities for growth. If you need help thinking of things to do to enhance your spiritual life, please reach out to me – I'd love to help!

3) We are still the body of Christ in this world. Though we are physically distant, we can reach out in many ways. We can still lift people up in prayer. We can call people on the phone (or Zoom, or Facetime, or Google Hangouts, etc.). We can write cards and notes to people. I'm sure you have more ideas even still of how to demonstrate love and compassion.

4) We will still continue to hold services. I am working with my tech crew (my 16 year old) to create live-streaming opportunities each Sunday at 10:00 am on Facebook. We now have Phyllis



sending the songs, so we can all enjoy her amazing music. The video is being posted on the Asbury website ([asburyduluth.org](http://asburyduluth.org) – click the “Worship Time” picture, and then the Sunday that you wish to see) to view at any time. We are working on a way for non Facebook users to be able to livestream with us as well (we'll send out an email). And if you don't have internet access or a computer, please call the church office and we'll set up a buddy for you to call so that you can hear the service over the phone if you would like! We WILL have an online Maundy Thursday service at 6:30 pm and an online Good Friday service at 7:00 pm.

5) As Bishop Ough eloquently said, Easter has not been cancelled! (See page 4 of this newsletter). Every week we celebrate the fact that the tomb is empty and Jesus has risen from the dead (Alleluia!). That fact has not and will not change. We still worship and follow a living God who is walking with us.

So take heart friends! If you feel alone or afraid, angry or sad, reach out to me (828-263-2035, [kcornell@wnccumc.net](mailto:kcornell@wnccumc.net)) or another friend. As the statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada (UMH 883) says “We are not alone, we live in God's world. / In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.”

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. In case of emergency and there is no answer at the church, please contact Pastor Katherine at 828-263-2035 or email at [kcornell@wnccumc.net](mailto:kcornell@wnccumc.net).

# Asbury News

## Thank You!

Dear Asbury Friends:

Thank you so much for your thoughts, prayers, cards and phone calls. I am coming along, slow but sure. I am reminded everyday how grateful I am for Asbury. You all are very special, thoughtful people. Thank you from my heart.

— Audrey Johnson

Dear Asbury Family:

I am writing this letter to apologize for not attending church these past months. I have been busy with my family and friends — my mother-in-law with her COPD, a couple of my family members with mental illness, and friends who are in need of my help. By the end of the week I am mentally and physically tired. Thank you for your understanding and your kind support. I hope you still remember me in every prayer and service. I will try my best to attend church in the future. I would like to apologize again for missing the church services and hope you understand. I hope to see you all soon. — Angel Barry

Dear Asbury Family,

Thank you for the messages and cards following the death of my dad. I will deeply miss him, but am grateful that he is at peace and is no longer in pain. Blessings.

— Shelly Vanneste

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If you need a check-in or care during this time, please let Pastor Katherine, Shirley, or any of the leadership know so we can follow up. Also, please share with us names of those to whom we want to offer special care and attention.

Please keep these thoughts in mind. I am praying with you and for you. Wash your hands. Observe physical distancing (being especially careful of the elderly and those with health concerns). Stay spiritually grounded (pray, sing, read, exercise, eat right ...). Check in with others through calls, mail, e-mail, etc.

Please keep giving — donate food/money to the Food Shelf (you can send money to the church and bring donations in once we re-open) ... please keep your financial gifts to the church happening so we can keep ministry going ... please keep giving grace to people making decisions and to all people as we journey through uncharted territory.

We are in uncharted territory here, but we know the One who leads us and walks with us. And we will walk together, though physically apart.

Blessings and Peace,

Pastor Katherine

*“Hope is important because it can make the present moment less difficult to bear. If we believe that tomorrow will be better, we can bear a hardship today.”*

— Thich Nhat Hanh



### Outreach/ Communion Offering . . .

March's offering will go to CHUM Food Shelf FoodShare Campaign. A final tally on monies and food donated will be in an upcoming issue of the Messenger.

### Attendance . . .

March 1	92
March 8	74
March 15	69
March 22 online	95 views
March 29 online	121 views



- 1 Sheila Fox
- 3 Larry Scanlon
- 9 Patty Bennett  
Alexandra Kokotovich  
Sharon Picconatto  
Dick Wolden
- 12 Bev LeClair
- 14 Sarah LeClair-Erola
- 20 Pat Ballantine  
Bill Schultz
- 23 Keith McGraw  
Peter Thibault
- 26 Rob Karwath
- 27 Louise Anderson  
Sue Carlson  
Judy Pearson

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

# Asbury News

## Easter Cannot Be Cancelled!

Never in my wildest nightmare could I imagine asking my ministry colleagues to not hold in-person Holy Week or Easter worship services.



But after much consultation, prayer, processing of data, and seeking to comply with guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and our three-state governments, **I am extending my earlier request and now asking that all our congregations suspend in-person worship until at least May 10**, in compliance with the CDC's eight-week ban on gatherings of 50 people or more and the

closure of schools and many public places in the Dakotas-Minnesota Area. I will, of course, continue to monitor new data and directives, or relaxed restrictions, and update or modify my request as appropriate.

Friends, we need to continue to be the first responders in our communities and lead the efforts to curtail the spread of this pandemic to our neighbors. This is a part of our missional imperative to heal a broken world.

Frankly, I am an ambivalent jumble of feelings. I often find myself joining Jeremiah's lament:

*"Have you completely rejected Judah?  
Does your heart loathe Zion?  
Why have you struck us down  
so that there is no healing for us?  
We look for peace, but find no good  
for a time of healing, but there  
is terror instead."* (Jeremiah 14:19 NRSV)

At the same time, my heart is filled with compassion for those who are ill, our over-worked and under-resourced health care professionals, those losing jobs and businesses and retirement funds, and our most vulnerable neighbors — the homeless, the elderly, those who cannot shelter in place.

My heart also swells with pride. I am humbled, encouraged, inspired by the resilience, speed, adaptability, and innovative spirit of our clergy and lay leadership. You are demonstrating time and time again that canceling mass gatherings does not mean canceling community or ministry. You are bearing witness to the truth that social distancing does not have to lead to social isolation or neglected relationships or interrupted pastoral care. You are demonstrating time and time again that a pandemic does not kill our spirit of generosity. We remain a people to whom much has been given through our salvation and hope in Christ Jesus.

We are also still in the midst of Lent. The novelist



Jim Crace authored a book in 1998 titled *"Quarantine."* His fictitious narrative has Jesus quarantined in the wilderness with others forced or choosing to practice social distancing. This interesting twist on Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness has encouraged me to use these days of adapting my work and relational patterns as a time to listen more deeply to the movement of God's Spirit in my heart and mind and soul. My Lenten journey has become richer as I have come to embrace being "quarantined."

And, here is the most important thing I am hearing: **Regardless of what is happening in our world on April 12, Easter cannot be canceled.** We may not be able to gather in our glorious Easter celebrations in our lily-decorated sanctuaries, but **Easter cannot be canceled.** The resurrection cannot be stopped or delayed or defeated!

As you already know, Easter does not come on the same date every year. Therefore, especially in a crisis, we can celebrate Easter anytime. Indeed, every Sunday is a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. We are called to live in the joy and victory of Easter every day. Perhaps this is a season to practice new, creative ways to express this resurrection joy and victory through our online worship, our pastoral care, and outreach ministries to those in desperate need of food, mental health care, or even toilet paper and surgical masks. Perhaps this is a season to begin planning for an in-person Easter celebration in July or August or whenever we can gather again.

While we and our practice of ministry are changing, and some things will continue to change for the unforeseeable future, we live in the confidence of the resurrection promise and proclamation: **Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!**

*Bishop Bruce R. Ough is resident bishop of the Dakotas-Minnesota Area of The United Methodist Church.*

# Calendar

**POSTPONED:-(**

All Asbury April events are cancelled or postponed.

**Exceptions:**

Sunday Worship, Maundy Thursday Service, Good Friday Service and the Lenten Bible Study which are being held online.

**Cancelled until further notice:**

Asbury Singers Rehearsals  
Children's Choir Rehearsals  
Praise Team Rehearsals

BS Troop 16 meeting  
CS Troop 16 meeting  
Men's Coffee  
Wednesday Yoga Class  
Bone Builders  
Spirit Valley Fellowship Club  
All UMW meetings—see page 6 of this newsletter  
All Leadership Team meetings

**Postponed until further notice:**

Spirit Valley Fellowship Club Pancake Supper  
Meatball Supper

**May Events postponed until further notice:**

Rummage Sale  
Spring Fest  
The United Methodist Church General Conference

## Asbury News

### A Note From the Finance Team

This is a time like no other that we have had to face at Asbury UMC. We are so fortunate to live in an

era when technology helps us stay connected. How great it is to have our Sunday service delivered to our homes during a time when it is not safe for us to congregate!

One other benefit of technology that we can embrace during this

challenging time is Electronic Giving. We have the ability to ensure that Asbury receives our monetary gifts without us having to think about it! It's easy to do! – an EFT form is attached for your convenience. Please call the church office and Shirley will send you a form. Please fill it out, choose the date(s) for your donation to be made, provide a voided check, send the completed form and voided check to Shirley and she will get it set to go!

We understand that financial circumstances may change during difficult times but we hope that, if you are able, you will keep up with your financial gifts to Asbury so we are able to keep our ministry going. Even without meeting regularly, we have the same commitments financially we had when the year started.

If an electronic option isn't right for you, please send a check/offering envelope to the church at 6822 Grand Ave., Duluth, MN 55807.

If you have any questions or concerns, any member of the Finance Team would be happy to answer them for you. Thank you. — Judi VanDell, Finance Chair



## THANKS

A huge thank you to Terry Olson, Nancy Wagner and Mary DeMars for attending the Food Safety Class and then sharing the updates with 33 persons who were able to come to the refresher/update they provided on March 10 for persons who work in the kitchen during Asbury events.

### Something To Look Forward To

You may be interested in a new outdoor activity starting this May – monthly guided walks or hikes on the third Saturday of the month from 9:00 am to noon. The walks will be guided by Larry Sampson, who has worked for the Superior Hiking Trail Association for the past 15 years.

Each walk/hike will be approximately 3 miles and will vary from easy to moderate in difficulty. Larry will highlight points of interest (Forgotten Park, Brewer's Loop, around the zoo) and talk about his experiences on the trail, including areas devastated by the 2012 flood and then repaired or replaced.

The first walk/hike will be an easy stroll on the Munger and Western Waterfront Trail, Saturday, May 16 (pending). Future walks or hikes will be on local Duluth sections of the Superior Hiking Trail.

Please call the church office, 218-624-0061 or let Larry, 218-451-0003, know if you would be interested in these monthly outdoor group activities. Invite your friends and neighbors to join you!



# Asbury News

## Worship Planning

### COVID-19 Pandemic Edition

Breathe On Me, Breath of God... Nope!  
 Precious Lord, Take My Hand... Nope!  
 Just a Closer Walk With Thee... Nope!  
 Gather Us In... Nope!  
 Close To Thee... Nope!

Could work:

Wash, O God, Our Sons & Daughters  
 Jesus Walk This Lonesome Valley  
 Come To the Garden Alone  
 Trust and Obey

*Stephanie Lind Schlimm, pastor at Luke's UMC, Dubuque, IA*

## Carpet Cleaned

The Fellowship Hall carpet was professionally cleaned on March 12. The UMW covered the cost of \$565.20.

## Garden Team News

I'm hoping that the Gardening Team can begin getting together as soon as the weather warms up to begin our season of maintaining the lawn and gardens at Asbury. We would stay outdoors, perhaps even hold our Annual Perennial Plant Sale outside. We will certainly follow all of the current COVID-19 regulations.

The team does cleaning up from winter's activities: weed and feed the lawn and maintain grass and gardens all season long which includes a variety of tasks that need to be done on a regular schedule. We are always looking for new additions to our team.

I will be in touch with all of our members and send out a copy of last year's financial report. To be continued at a later date.

— Judy Pearson, Garden Team Chair

## Damiano Center Volunteers

We have received a message from Kyra Gustafson, the Center's Community Development Manager, that all volunteer shifts through May 1 are cancelled. Staff members have been making to-go meals and handing them out in the parking lot for the safety of the staff and to lessen the spread of COVID-19. Asbury is scheduled to provide 5-6 volunteers for the 8:30 am to 1:30 pm shift on May 9 (pending). If you would like to volunteer for that day please call the church office at 624-0061 to be put on the list if you are not on it already.

## Asbury Easter Flower Garden 2020

JAN AKERVIK  
*In Memory of:*  
 Myron "Mike" Akervik

PAT & JACK ANSCOMB  
*In Memory of:*  
 Our parents  
*In Celebration:* Family

CHERIE BLAZEVIC  
*In Memory of:*  
 Dick & Pat Puhl

BOB & CAROL CHERNE  
*In Memory of:*  
 Our son Mike

PASTOR KATHERINE CORNELL  
*In Celebration of:*  
 My husband, Brian, and  
 our four sons, Michael, James,  
 Paul and David

JOE & CANDY KOKOTOVICH  
*In Memory of:* Our parents  
 Eli & Georgia Kokotovitch  
 Elmer & Lorraine Anderson

BEV LECLAIR  
*In Memory of:*  
 Loved Ones  
*In Celebration of:*  
 Phyllis Kruell & her musical gifts

DONNA MICKELSON  
*In Memory of:*  
 My brother Henry (Hank) Linder

JOYCE PARK  
*In Memory of:*  
 My husband Charles  
*In Celebration of:*  
 Family

LARRY & CATHY SAMPSON  
*In Memory of:*  
 Loved Ones  
 SUSAN SODER  
*In Memory of:*  
 Our Families  
*In Honor of:*  
 Our Service Men & Women

DAVID STROMGREN  
*In Celebration of:*  
 My granddaughter  
 Baby Girl Stromgren  
 (Eric & Susan Stromgren, parents)

LOIS STROMGREN  
*In Celebration of:*  
 My great grandbabies  
 Baby Girl Stromgren  
 Baby Boy Tollefson

DON & NANCY STUMBO  
*In Memory of:*  
 Mike Akervik

GARY & SANDY WINKLESKY  
*In Memory of:*  
 Our Parents & Grandparents  
*In Celebration of:*  
 Our Daughter, Lisa Greene's, Life

## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Lisa Greene  
 Jim & Bobbi Gimpel  
 Ray & Carol Peters  
 Sherry Peters  
 Roy Peters  
 Anna & Bill Guldner  
 Shirley Brandt  
 Pat Ballantine  
 Ron Brosdal  
 Barb & M. George Downs  
 Ed Lone  
 Dick & Karen Holm  
 Fred & Barbara Little  
 Floss Johnson

General  
 Conference 2021  
 Our Nation  
 Amy Applebee  
 Marilyn Lutz  
 Louise Anderson  
 Vivian Simmons  
 Pat Anscorb  
 Karter Lauderville  
 Mary Jo Plys  
 Barbara Larson  
 Bill Swanstrom  
 Bob Cherne  
 Ardelle Peterson  
 Willie Winklesky

*In honor and gratitude  
 for those serving in the  
 military; we pray God's  
 sustaining presence  
 upon each one.*

Steve Bennett  
 Rory Blazevic  
 Michaela Bock  
 Alex Bourdage  
 Ian Evans  
 Daylon Moore  
 Anika Pavlich  
 Dominic Pavlich  
 Rick Peterson  
 Alex Plys  
 Renee Ruppel  
 Scott Stumbo

THE  
**POWER**  
 OF PRAYER

Jill Spencer  
 Colleen  
 Carlson  
 Family of  
 Mable  
 Ridgewell

# Asbury News



## Message From Our Sponsored Child

We recently received correspondence and a drawing from Katerin, our sponsored child at Compassion. It is written below verbatim as translated from Spanish to English by Daysi Santos.



*To my dear sponsor Friends, I hope you are fine, in this opportunity, I will tell you about my classmates at school and best friends, they are Dina, Perla, Meilin, Paola, Mercedes, with them I share the most of my time, they are like my sisters and they know how*

*much I love them, I met them at school and what I like about them is their way of being, Do you have close friends? Let me tell you that in the project I have learned a lot about the spiritual area, How God is and his attributes. Also, let me tell you that I was in the computer workshop and I learned a lot and to cohabit with my classmates. I ask you to always pray for my family and I also pray for you and your family. Goodbye with love, Katerin Paola Lopez.*

## March Foodshare Campaign

During the entire month of March, all donations to CHUM's Emergency Food Shelf are proportionally matched by the Greater Minnesota Council of Churches.

Asbury can help by contributing cash and/or food donations (please see special instructions below due to the COVID-19 pandemic).

Please mark your monetary donation as CHUM Foodshare on the memo line or envelope and send to Asbury, 6822 Grand Ave, Duluth, MN 55807.

There is a table set up for food donations. Information will be sent out to let you know when food donations may be brought to the church.

Asbury has elected to focus on donations of **fruit cocktail, peanut butter, Chunky soup, pork & beans, cereal, Spam and Ramen noodles.**

Our goal this year is to collect 80 pounds of food and beat last year's cash donation of \$1,793.

## Need a Scholarship For Education?

Scholarship Sunday will be May 17 this year. (See page 8 of this Messenger for information regarding Asbury scholarships). **The deadline for submitting applications is April 26.** Applications may be downloaded from the website at [www.asburyduluth.org](http://www.asburyduluth.org), obtained in the church office or please submit a request at [asburyumeduluth@hotmail.com](mailto:asburyumeduluth@hotmail.com).



Scholarships

TREASURER'S REPORT: 2/29/20	
<b>GENERAL FUND:</b>	
Beginning Cash Balance, 1/31/20	\$ 477.30
Deposits	\$ 16,751.79
Total to Account for	\$ 17,229.09
Checks Written	<\$ 15,552.23>
Balance on Hand, 2/29/20	\$ 1,676.86
Unpaid Bills through 2/29/20 (includes apportionments)	<\$ 5,228.20>
Net Ending Balance at 2/29/20	<\$ 3,551.34>

# United Methodist Women



## All UMW Meetings have been postponed until further notice.

- UMW board members meet at 9:30 am in the Wesley Room on the 1st Wednesday of each month.
- Love/Hope Circle meet at 1:00 pm in the Wesley Room on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.
- Faith Circle meet at 1:00 pm in the Wesley Room on the 3rd Thursday of each month.
- Knitting Klub members meet at 2:00 pm in the Wesley Room on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month.
- Green Door Book Club members meet at 9:30 am in the Wesley Room on the 3rd Monday of each month.

# Asbury News

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## ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SCHOLARSHIPS

### Carol B. Maida Memorial Scholarship

The **Carol B. Maida Scholarship** is financed through the permanent Endowment Fund of the Asbury United Methodist Church. This Award is named in honor of Carol B. Maida, who was active in her Church and her Community.

#### Purpose

To recognize members of Asbury United Methodist Church who possess the qualities of Compassion, Perseverance, and Positive Attitude through support and encouragement with their post-high school and adult education.

### Robert & Aileen VanKleek Memorial Scholarship

The **Robert & Aileen VanKleek Scholarship** is financed through the permanent Endowment Fund of the Asbury United Methodist Church. This Award is named in honor of Robert & Aileen VanKleek who were active members of Central Avenue and Asbury UMC. Robert was also principal at Denfeld High School.

#### Purpose

To recognize the academic accomplishments and participation in the congregational life of members of Asbury UMC through support of their post-high school and adult education.

## Requirements for Eligibility

Applicants must be **Full Members** of Asbury United Methodist Church of Duluth on the date of application. They must also have been a Full Member of the congregation for at least one year prior to the application deadline date. Applicants must also be enrolled or accepted into a post-high school degree or certificate program either full-time or part-time.

## Selection Criteria

An application for these scholarships is available:

- ◆ in the church office, 624-0061
- ◆ via e-mail at [asburyumcduluth@hotmail.com](mailto:asburyumcduluth@hotmail.com) or
- ◆ via the website at [www.asburyduluth.org](http://www.asburyduluth.org) (click on download application).

Applicants must complete and submit an Application Form along with supporting material, which must include:

- ◆ Final or most recent official high school transcript
- ◆ Evidence of enrollment or acceptance into a post-high school degree or certificate program
- ◆ Most recent transcript of grade report form if already in a post-high school program
- ◆ Description of their Leadership and Participation in Community, School, Asbury UMC, and statement of future goals

Applicants may be required to have a personal interview with the Scholarship committee.

## Application Deadline

In order to receive consideration for these scholarships, application and supporting material **MUST** be received in the church office by **April 26, 2020**. Recipients will be announced on Scholarship Sunday on May 17, 2020.

Asbury United Methodist  
PO Box 7135  
Duluth MN 55807

Return service requested

## Meet Our Staff



Pastor:..... Katherine Cornell  
Administrative Asst.: ..... Shirley Brandt  
Music Coordinator/Organist: ..... Phyllis Kruell  
Children's Music:..... Ruby Slennes  
Praise Team Leaders..... varies  
Custodian: ..... Dan Mokros  
Ad Council Chair: .. Bonnie Schroeder-Palmi  
Treasurer: ..... Pat Anscorb  
Lay Leader: ..... Steve Kokotovich  
Trustees: ..... Nancy Wagner  
..... Tom Houle, Dale Thorpe  
UMW President..... Jan Akervik  
SPRC Chair ..... Cathy Sampson  
Worship Chair .. Ruth Thorpe/Debbie Merrick  
Christian Education: ..... Cheryl Parendo  
Christian Education: ..... Sandy Winklesky

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**NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE: April 21 for May 2020 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.*