



Asbury

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Messenger

Dear Family and Friends of Asbury UMC,

It has been said before “Asbury United Methodist Church is a strong, solid congregation that provides a faithful presence in our community and the world.” No part of that statement would be true without your GENEROSITY and commitment.

Your GENEROSITY provides so much to the outreach in our community, the work that lovingly goes into each project done throughout the year, the bills getting paid on time, the thought-provoking sermons we are blessed with each week, the smile that can brighten someone’s day – and the list could go on and on. Our individual contributions may seem small, but every one of them counts! As you will see when reviewing the information on our income and expenses for 2023 (*which will be included in the Stewardship mailing going out on October 3*), we as a church have shown much GENEROSITY in our giving to support the many programs of Asbury. This year for our stewardship focus, we are going to look at GENEROSITY, and see where we can be CHALLENGED to grow.



You are invited to join us on **Sunday, October 22, for our Commitment Sunday**. As part of worship, we will offer our 2024 pledge card indicating our estimate of giving for the next year. On a very practical level, we ask for an estimate of giving so that our Finance Team is able to set an accurate ministry budget for the coming year. Please bring your completed pledge card with you that Sunday. If you are not able to attend worship on October 22, please mail your pledge card to the church office at 6822 Grand Ave., PO Box 7135, Duluth, MN 55807.

As always, we understand it may be difficult to know what the year ahead holds. Know that if your situation changes, you can easily make adjustments by contacting our Finance Chair or the church office. One option that has been helpful to our budget in recent years is electronic giving. It is very easy to set up and can be modified at any time if necessary. There is a box to check on the 2024 pledge card if you are interested in more information on this option.

So many things factor into preparing a church budget, inflation being one of them. We have all felt the impact of that over this past year. We believe that with our continued GENEROSITY, our CHALLENGE to grow, and commitment to Asbury, we can meet the needs of our budget and continue to demonstrate the love of God and neighbor by expanding our ministries to this community. We truly are a welcoming, active church that exists to serve, grow, build, and bless our congregation, the community, and the world. Thank you for your continued support.

With you in Christ’s service,
The 2024 Stewardship/Finance Committee

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A Penny For Your Thoughts

Mystery and Transformation

The other night I was enjoying some popcorn and I began to think about the wonder of a small, hard kernel of corn becoming soft and fluffy. You would never guess by just looking at it how it can transform into something totally different.

I am reminded that our lives of faith can be a bit like this mysterious kernel of corn. Let me give you a few examples:

This Sunday we are celebrating World Communion Sunday. Not only do we celebrate the mystery of bread and the fruit of the vine becoming the body and blood of Jesus for us, we also in this month remember the connection of Christians all around the world celebrating together our unity through Christ. God's grace and presence is with us.

While our stewardship campaign mainly deals with financial support, we all know that there are so many ways to be generous with our time and talents. The mystery remains that truly the more we invest in giving and gratitude, the more we also receive and find joy. My experience of God's goodness and generosity in response to my own growth in giving has always surprised me. I have learned that I can't out give God.

In thinking about our Ministry Fair (October 8, 15, and 22) and all of the amazing opportunities for involvement in and through the church, I remember how God's counting system is skewed towards abundance. We might not be the largest church around, but we sure do allow God to multiply our efforts for kingdom work.

With our Fall Festival at the end of the month we celebrate with our children the joy of transformation in becoming for a time something else entirely. I am reminded how an exuberant hug from a small child can turn the grumpiest frown into a reluctant smile.



Joy can be contagious.

So come join me as we explore, wonder and celebrate our life of faith and transformation together. You never know where God might turn us inside, and transform us next!

Blessings and Peace,
Katherine

Pastoral Care:

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.
Pastor's day off is on Friday and she works from home on Mondays.

Asbury News



Thank You!

Dear Asbury Family:

Thank you for your prayers, thoughts, cards, calls and good wishes during my recent hospitalizations. — Pat Nelson

Dear Asbury Family:

I am so thankful for Asbury UMC's congregation. Every time I need you, you are here before I even ask! I am so thankful to Pat Anscorb for all she is doing for me from counting and depositing the pasty money to answering the church phone on the days I volunteered for. I am also thankful to Jan Akervik who is so kind and did more for me then I can list here. The names go on and on. I think this church is wonderful and I'm blessed to have you in my life. — Karen Gokey

Dear Asbury UMC Congregation:

Thank you for choosing Valley Youth Centers for one of the 2023-2024 start of the school year donation destinations. Your donation has given us the equivalent of feeding 75 meals and/or snacks to youth after school; providing 2 backpacks for school readiness; providing 14 entries into Duluth Denfeld football games; providing swim opportunities for 14 kids; making sure 47 kids can get to and from Jr. League football practice. — Russ Salgy, Valley Youth Centers

Dear Asbury UMC:

Thank you for your generous gift to the Damiano Center. Partnering with us helps to strengthen our community by providing for the most vulnerable among us. We could not do this important work without you. — Jennifer Eaton, Office Manager, Damiano Center

Garden Team Report — It's a Wrap!

The Garden Team's end-of-the-season meeting will be on October 2. Our outdoor activity has spanned the last five months to assure that the Asbury gardens/lawn look well groomed and colorful! Thank you so much Team members for your devotion and hard work. It does make a huge difference!

My thanks and appreciation. — Judy Pearson, Garden Team Chair

Companies To Classrooms Program

Congratulations Asbury members and friends. We had a great year for our "back to school" collection. We collected \$458.00 which we donated to the Companies to Classrooms Program. Because of your generosity, the area children will have a more successful school year. Thank you!

Ministry Fair — October 8, 15, 22

There will be a Ministry Fair after church on Sunday, October 8, 15 and 22. There will be several tables set up in the Narthex highlighting all of Asbury UMC's different ministries. Asbury exists to serve, grow, build, and bless the congregation, community, and the world. We would love for you to join with us on our different ministry teams!

There will be sign-up sheets if you would like to be contacted about a particular ministry, as well as people to speak with about the activities. Please take a moment or two after the service to walk around and explore!

We look forward to seeing you and answering any questions you have.



Our October Outreach/ Communion Offering is for World Communion Sunday.

Attendance . . .

Sept. 3	42 In-church/22 views
Sept. 10	65 In-church/31 views
Sept. 17	43 In-church/30 views
Sept. 24	62 In-church/27 views

Scripture Readers . . .

Oct. 1	Candy Kokotovich
Oct. 8	Axel Tomaino
Oct. 15	Jan Akervik
Oct. 22	Sue Soder
Oct. 29	Dale Thorpe



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Tom Houle
- 4 Sue Newberry
Michael Smisek
- 5 Melissa Abbett
Gloria Schultz
- 7 James Cornell
Paul Cornell
Larry Sampson
- 10 Stan Johnson, Jr.
- 12 Logan Peterson
- 15 Sheri Scanlon
- 21 Jordan Nickila
- 22 Pat Anscorb
Carol Johnson
- 23 Julien Melgarejo
- 25 Judi VanDell
- 26 David Cornell

*Not included?
Please contact the
church office at 218-624-0061.*

Worship

In October

There are three ways to participate in worship:

- 10:00 am at Asbury UMC on Sundays. Join us live at 10:00 am and join us for fellowship, coffee and treats in the Fellowship Hall after worship.
- 10:00 am livestream service on Sundays via YouTube as the live service is taking place. An email with the YouTube link and an online worship bulletin is sent out prior to each Sunday.
- Or, you can watch the YouTube service at anytime by logging in using the link provided for each Sunday.

September Worship Theme: For the first four weeks of October, we will follow the theme of our Stewardship Campaign "The Generosity Challenge."

For the last Sunday in October and into November, we will return to our series of encountering "impossible" people. We hope you will join us!

October 1

Scripture Passages:

Philippians 2:1-13; Genesis 1:27

Mark 10:17-27

Message: "The Generosity Challenge:
Born To Be Generous"

October 8

Scripture Passages:

1 Samuel 2:1-2; Luke 17:11-19

Message: "The Generosity Challenge:
Grounded in Gratitude"

October 15

Scripture Passages:

Philippians 4:1-9; Genesis 12:1-4

Message: "The Generosity Challenge:
Revealed Through Prayer"

October 22

Scripture Passages:

1 Thessalonians 1:1-3; 1 Timothy 6:11-19

Message: "The Generosity Challenge:
Sealed By Faith"

October 29

Scripture Passages:

Psalms 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

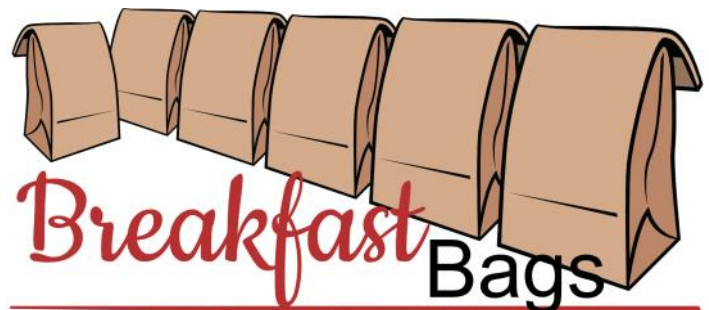
Message: "The Chameleon"

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Fall Book Study

In conjunction with our stewardship theme this year, our Fall Book Study will follow "The Generosity Challenge." Each week we will study the theological underpinnings of generosity and then have daily challenges to explore our own generosity.

The study will be on Thursdays, October 5, 12, 19, and 26 at 11:00 am in the Wesley Room. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Books are \$7 each. You are welcome to order a book and follow along on the challenges even if you are unable to attend the weekly study.



Second Saturday CHUM Event

As part of our work with the West Duluth area churches, Asbury will be hosting a 2nd Saturday CHUM Event on Saturday, November 11 as a service opportunity. Our project will be making breakfast bags for the Lincoln Park Warming Center. We will put them together in two parts.

Part 1 will be the 2nd Saturday CHUM Event on Saturday, November 11 from 9:00 am until noon. We will begin work on making the breakfast bags and be led by Patricia Benson of CHUM in a learning session about the challenges those who are homeless face. We will need many items brought to make muffins and fill the bags. Please go to this link (<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090845ADAC22AAFD0-44613704-2ndsaturday>) for an online signup through Sign Up Genius. Even if you can't make the event, we would love to have your help and support!

Part 2 of our project will happen after our Community Thanksgiving Service on November 21. We look forward to this opportunity to work with our neighboring churches and support our community.

Highway Cleanup Project

Our next highway cleanup date will be October 26 depending on the weather. We will meet at Norton Park UMC, 436 N. 79th Ave. W., Duluth to receive a short orientation and supplies. Look for an email and announcements in the coming weeks for the exact time.



Calendar

October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 WORLD COMMUNION STEWARDSHIP KICKOFF 9:00 am, Asbury Singers, FH 10:00 am, Worship/Communion 10:15 am, Sunday school 11:00 am, Fellowship, FH 6:00 pm, YOGA, Narthex	2 8:30 am Garden Team, FH	3 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH 11:30 am MS Group, FH	4 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 9:00 am UWF Board Meeting, WR 5:30 pm, YOGA, FH 6:30 pm, Praise Team Practice	5 7:45 am, Apple Pies 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH 10:00 to 10:45 am, 2nd Harvest Dist 11:00 am, Generosity Challenge Book Study, WR	6 7:45 am, Apple Pies Dumpster Pick Up	7
8 CHILDREN'S SABBATH BIBLE SUNDAY MINISTRY FAIR 9:00 am, Asbury Singers, FH 10:00 am, Worship/Birthday 11:00 am, Fellowship, FH 6:00 pm, YOGA, Narthex	9 2:00 pm Knitting Klub, WR	10 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH	11 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 5:30 pm, YOGA, Narthex 6:30 pm, Praise Team Practice	12 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH 11:00 am, Generosity Challenge Book Study, WR 6:30 pm, Christian Ed., WR	13 8:30 am, Donut Work Day	14 6:00- am, Donut Work Day 9:00—11:00 AM- FALL PANTRY
15 MINISTRY FAIR 9:15 Praise Team Practice 10:00 am, Worship/Praise 10:15 am, Sunday school 11:00 am, Fellowship, FH 5:00—7:00 pm, TPUMMs, Hope UMC 6:00 pm, YOGA, Narthex	16 9:30 am Green Door Book Group, WR	17 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH 5:30 pm, SPRC, WR Ad Council, WR & Zoom	18 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 9:30 am Trustees, WR 5:30 pm, YOGA, FH 6:30 pm, Praise Team Practice	19 11:00 am, Generosity Challenge Book Study, WR 1:00 pm Faith Circle, WR MESSENGER DEADLINE	20 Dumpster Pick Up	21
22 COMMITMENT SUNDAY MINISTRY FAIR ASBURY SINGERS 9:30 am, Asbury Singers, FH 10:00 am, Worship 10:15 am, Bible Bingo 11:00 am, Fellowship, FH 6:00 pm, YOGA, Narthex	23	24 4:30—6:00 pm DRIVE-THOUGH MEATBALL DINNER	25 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 5:30 pm, YOGA, FH 6:30 pm, Praise Team Practice	26 9:30 am Bone Builders 11:00 am, Generosity Challenge Book Study, WR MESSENGER EMAILS	27	28 9:00-10:30 am Free Community Breakfast, Our Savior's Lutheran
29 FALL FESTIVAL 9:00 am, Asbury Singers, FH 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am, Fellowship, FH Join us for a Potluck meal. 6:00 pm, YOGA, Narthex	30	31 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH	Boy Scout Troop 16 meets on Sundays, 6:00 to 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Gentle Yoga meets on Wednesdays, 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall and Sundays, 6:00 to 7:00 pm in the Narthex (unless otherwise specified). Call Cheryl Zupec at 218-343-4478 for more info. Asbury Singers practice each Sunday except Praise Sunday from 9:00 to 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. They practice at 9:30 am on Sundays they sing. The Praise Team practices each Wednesday at 6:30 pm and on Praise Sunday at 9:15 am			

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Ad Council Meeting Minutes — 9-19-23

Opening

Sandy Winklesky, Ad. Council Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m. The council met in the Wesley Room and also on Zoom. Pastor Katherine led us in prayer.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of the August 15, 2023, Administrative Council were reviewed. Donna Mickelson made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

M – Donna Mickelson, S – Steve Kokotovich

Lay Leader's Report – Steve Kokotovich

No report

Treasurer's Report – printed report

The August monthly summary was given. Balance on Hand, 8/31/2023 is \$4,712.83.

As of 8/31/2023 we have paid 39% of our 2023 Conference Apportionments with a balance due of \$12,036.82.

Staff Parish Relations Committee – Steve K. for Barb Kokotovich

The next meeting will be on October 17, at 5:30 p.m. Staff review and wages will be discussed.

The new custodian, Martin Larson, is working out well.

Trustee's Report – no report

United Women of Faith – Patty Bennett for Jan Akervik

Pasty Sale was on September 15 – 16. 2,838 pasties were made.

Apple Pies – October 5 - 7.

Donut Prep – October 11 – 14.

Fall Pantry – October 14.

Meatball Dinner – October 24.

UWF collected \$458 in monetary donations for Companies to Classrooms.

Outreach and Missions Team – Steve Kokotovich

The committee met last week.

The Western Duluth Churches are beginning a service project called Second Saturday Food Bags. The project will begin in November. They will be preparing breakfast food bags which will be distributed to the Harrison Community Warming Center.

A speaker from CHUM will speak at a Sunday service in November.

Church members will be helping with a meal at the Damiano Center on September 30.

Socketober will be October. We will be collecting children's, women's and men's socks.

The committee is looking for volunteers to help with the Laura MacArthur back pack food distribution, which will be every Thursday during the school year.

We are still involved with the Highway Clean-up program along Grand Avenue.

Education Team – Sandy Winklesky for Alice Brenny

Rally Sunday was on September 10.

Five children enrolled in the Sunday school.

The Fall Festival is October 29.

The team is putting together a display wall to feature the children's

TREASURER'S REPORT:

8/31/23

GENERAL FUND:

Balance on Hand 7/31/23	\$5,675.64
Deposits	16,106.73
Total to Account for	\$21,782.37
Checks Written	<\$17,069.54>
Balance on Hand, 8/31/23	\$4,712.83
Unpaid Bills through 8/31/23 (includes apportionments)	<\$6,558.46>
Net Ending Balance at 8/31/23	<\$1,845.63>

projects. The next meeting is set for October.

Worship Team – Donna Mickelson

Attendance pads are now passed out in the pews for the Sunday worship service.

Donna Mickelson will be ending her Worship Team Leader position in January.

Nurture/Congregational Care Team – Sandy Winklesky

Visitation Committee – no report

Scholarship Committee – no report

Membership Committee – The committee is planning an informational meeting for prospective new members on September 24.

Robin Williams joined the church last Sunday.

The next meeting will be tomorrow, September 20, at 1:00 p.m.

Pastor's Report – Katherine Cornell

After the worship services on October 8, 15 and 22, we will hold a Ministry Fair for people to learn more about the committees of the church.

The Generosity Challenge book study will begin on Thursday, October 5 at 11:00 a.m. It will run for 4 weeks.

The Stewardship Campaign begins in October, and will end on October 22, Stewardship Sunday.

World Communion Sunday is October 1.

All Saints Sunday is November 5.

Old Business - none

New Business

Phyllis Kruell attended the council meeting on behalf of Debbie Merrick. She asked if it would be possible for Debbie to use the green room on Friday afternoons to hold Reiki sessions. It was brought up that another church member would like to use the church for counseling sessions. The Ad. Council decided to encourage the Trustees to consider these requests.

Closing

The next Ad. Council meeting will be on Tuesday, October 17, at 6:30 p.m.

The November meeting will be on November 28, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will begin with a Charge Conference and the Ad. Council meeting will follow.

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

M – Steve Kokotovich, S – Donna Mickelson.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Patricia Bennett, Recording Secretary

Kid's Corner










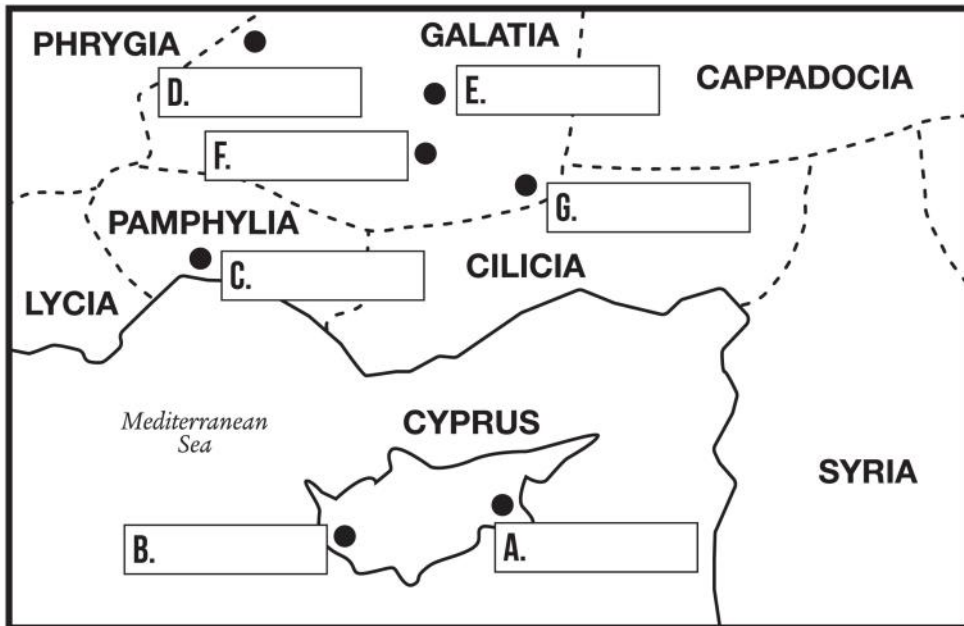
CITY SEARCH

God used Paul to spread the Gospel to many cities during his first missionary journey. Can you find them all?

Directions: From the fragments, guess each city and locate it on the map. Use the Bible references to help.



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| A.  (ACTS 13:5) | E.  (ACTS 13:51) |
| B.  (ACTS 13:6) | F.  (ACTS 14:6) |
| C.  (ACTS 13:13) | G.  (ACTS 14:6) |
| D.  (ACTS 13:14) | |



Answers: Salamis, Paphos, Perga, Antioch, Iconium, Lystra, Derbe

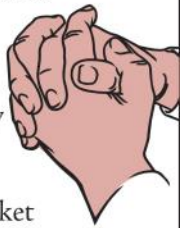
MISSIONARY-MINDED PRAYER

An important part of missions is prayerfully supporting the church. Use this activity to guide your family's prayer time.



What you need:

- Plastic bag (large zippered)
- Permanent marker
- Bandage
- Toy plane
- Heart-shaped drawing or toy
- Spoon
- Coin
- Hot-sauce packet



What you do:

1. Label the bag with details about the missionaries you'll be praying for (names, location, specific needs).
2. Add small prayer-prompt objects to guide your prayer time (bandage = health, plane = travel, heart = relationships, spoon = cultural connection, coin = finances, hot sauce = boldness).
3. Include other objects that will prompt prayer for missionaries' specific needs.
4. Place the bag where it will remind your family to pray regularly.





Asbury Fall Pantry — October 14!

The Asbury UWF Fall Pantry is on Saturday, October 14 from 9:00 to 11:00 am. We are asking for help 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 most welcome! Please make checks out to **Asbury UWF** and give checks or cash donations to our UWF treasurer.

All Pantry contributions should be brought to the Fellowship Hall on Friday, October 13 from 9:00 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 5 and 6 starting at 7:45 am. There is a sign-up sheet for help and an order form on the table at the back of the church. Pies are \$16.00 each.

Donut making for our delicious donuts is October 11-14. We start at 8:30 am on October 13 to make the dough. On October 14 we start at 6:00 am (come when you can) to roll, cut out, fry and bag donuts. Please call Bev LeClair, if you can help. Donuts are \$6.00/dozen. Order forms and sign-up sheets to help are on the back table in the Narthex.

There will also be 360 pasties for sale at \$6.00 each. First come, first serve.

Our Asbury Fall Pantry is UWF's major fundraiser for the 2024 budget. Thank you all for participating in this event as it helps us do many good ministries throughout the year. Please spread the word, bring your friends and get a jump start on the upcoming holiday season!



“Cookie Table” Cookies Needed

Our “Cookie Table” is an extremely popular part of UWF's Fall Pantry! We are asking for donations of homemade cookies and hope that you will be able to help us out this year.

To participate, please bake a batch of your favorite cookies and:

1. Place them in a box or container.
2. Mark the box “Cookie Table” and **put your**

UWF Meetings

- UWF board members meet at 9:30 am in the Wesley Room on the 1st Wednesday of each month. **The UWF Board will meet on Wednesday, October 4 at 9:00 am in the Wesley Room.** Pat Anscomb will share devotions and be our hostess.
- Green Door Book Group meets at 9:30 am in the Wesley Room on the 3rd Monday of each month. **The Green Door Book Group will meet at 9:30 am on October 16 in the Wesley Room.**
- Love/Hope Circle meets at 1:00 pm in the Wesley Room on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. **NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!** — Call Pat Nelson, 218-391-0957 or Phyllis Wolden, 218-624-5042, if interested. **The Love/ Hope Circle will NOT meet in October. The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 21 at 1:00 pm in the Wesley Room.**
- Faith Circle meets at 1:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month. **NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!** **Faith Circle will meet on Thursday, October 19 in the Wesley Room.** Pat Anscomb is our hostess and will share devotions.
- Knitting Klub meets at 2:00 pm in the Wesley Room on the 2nd Monday of the month. **NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!** **The Knitting Klub will meet on October 9.**
- **Bone Builders Plus meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30 to 10:30 am. NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!** They do not meet on holidays or if there is a special event at Asbury. Bone Builders Plus is a program to improve balance, muscle strength, bone density and increase energy. It helps to prevent falls and improve dexterity. Participants enjoy increased socialization. Come for an hour of low impact exercise. Call Mary Kay at 651-206-9874 or Jan at 218-626-1539 for more information.

name and the kind of cookie you made on it.

3. Bring the cookies to church by **9:00 am on Friday, October 13.**

4. Put them in the kitchen refrigerator or salad refrigerator.

Thank you for your support in making the “Cookie Table” a success.

We also welcome baked goods for the bake sale table such as breads, dessert breads, bars, muffins and cupcakes. Please put bars, cupcakes, muffins in packs of 6 or 12 and drop off by 8:00 am on Friday, October 13 (**preferred**) or **no later than 8:00 am** on Saturday, October 14.

Thank you!



Drive-Through Meatball Dinner

Save the date! Asbury's Fall Drive Through Meatball Dinner will be on Tuesday, October 24 from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. **Advance tickets sales are**

preferred to give us an accurate count and to guarantee you receive a dinner! If you choose not to purchase an advanced ticket, there will be a **LIMITED amount of tickets** available for sale at the door. Tickets are \$14.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children/youth. Get your tickets and bring the family and your friends!

NEW! Preorder \$5 container of five meatballs. Prepayment required.



Our popular meatball dinner requires a lot of 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 2023 Minnesota Annual Conference apportionments.

Advent Tea — December 9

We had great success with the Advent Tea on a Saturday last year, therefore we are planning the Advent Tea for Saturday, December 9 at 2:00 pm.

Our theme is "Precious Gifts." Our free-will offering will go to Ronald McDonald House. Renee Randa will be sharing her gift of music with the flute.

Please consider being a hostess or co-hostess. Each table has capacity for eight guests. The hostess invites guests, sets and decorates a table, and provides and serves whatever treat she wishes. The sign-up sheet for hostesses will be in the Narthex on Sunday, November 5. A list of guests will need to be turned in by Sunday, December 3.

Any questions, please call Donna Mickelson 218-606-0772, Pat Anscomb, 218-310-3505, or Leila Lundberg, 218-348-3074.



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Fall Festival — October 29

October 29, 2022 will be the Potluck Fall Fest for kids, parents, grandparents, friends, everyone! All

are welcome and encouraged to wear costumes! Please no scary costumes.

Come join in the fun! There will be games, prizes, crafts and food! Please join the Christian Education team on Sunday, October 29 after worship.

— Christian Ed. Team



Community Thanksgiving Service

Asbury UMC will be joined by other West Duluth churches on November 21 at 6:00 pm as we celebrate and give thanks! We will have fellowship and Part 2 of our service project for the Second Saturday CHUM Event after the service.

"Sock" tober Collection

The Outreach Committee will be collecting children's regular and warm socks and adult warm socks during the month of October per request from the Damiano Center. Please place your donations in the bin in the Narthex.

You may also drop items off Monday – Thursday, 10:30 am to 2:30 pm. Thank you!

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Return service requested

Meet Our Staff



Pastor:..... Katherine Cornell
Administrative Asst.:Shirley Brandt
Music Coordinator/Organist:Phyllis Kruell
Praise Team Leaders.....varies
Custodian: Martin Larson
Ad Council Chair:Sandy Winklesky
Treasurer:Pat Anscomb
Finance Judi VanDell
Lay Leader/Outreach: Steve Kokotovich
Trustees:Nancy Wagner, Terry Olson
UWF President.....Jan Akervik
SPRC Chair Barb Kokotovich
Worship ChairDonna Mickelson
Christian Ed.: Alice Brenny/Sandy Winklesky
Scholarship Shelly Vanneste
Membership Candy Kokotovich
Visitation Karen Gokey

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NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE: October 20 for November 2023 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 Vision & Mission Statement

Vision: At Asbury UMC, we believe God's words and ways are key to abundant life for ourselves and our community.

Mission: Asbury UMC is a welcoming, active church that exists to serve, grow, build, and bless our congregation, community, and the world.