



Asbury

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
A Place For All. No Exceptions.

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The Reverend Katherine Cornell

In-Church & Online
Sunday Worship 10:00 am
asburyduluth.org/about-us/worship/

Office Hours
Monday-Thursday: 10:00 am to 3:30 pm
Closed Friday

Messenger



September 10



Christian Education News

The Christian Education Team is busy planning the beginning of the Sunday school program year. Our kick off day, Rally Sunday, September 10, 2023, will be a time to get to know each other, complete Sunday school registration forms and maybe even play some Bible Bingo! After worship on September 10, there will be a time for fellowship and a meal in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone one is welcome to join us for lunch after worship.

Our Sunday school theme this year is based on John Wesley's Three Simple Rules: Do No Harm, Do Good, and Stay in Love with God. Sunday school time this year will focus on breaking down each rule through scripture, stories, crafts, videos, and activities we will work on together to help our children build these practices into their daily lives.

Planting God's word in a child's heart will yield an abundant garden. We have an abundance of God's word seeds, we just need hearts for planting! You can help by encouraging, praying, and bringing your children, grandchildren, young relatives and neighbors to Sunday school.

A new component for our Sunday school this year is working with the Visitation Team by sending crafts and/or letters to our shut-ins and caregivers. We will need the help of all of Asbury's children for this ministry project.

Our Sunday school teachers this year will be Alice Brenny and Sandy Winklesky with members of the Christian Education Team helping and substituting when needed. Bible Sunday will be October 8. If you have a child in third grade or above who has not yet received a bible, please contact the church office at 218-624-0061 and let us know.

We will also have Fall Festival on Sunday, October 29. The children will have crafts and games during Sunday school. After worship that day, there will be a potluck meal in the Fellowship Hall. Children are encouraged to wear costumes (adults, too), but please no scary ones!

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Membership Information Class

We will be holding a Membership Information Class on **Sunday, September 24 after church** (around 11:15 am) in the Wesley Room. Everyone who would like to know more about joining the church whether you are a long-time attendee or a newer visitor is invited. This informational session will last about 30 minutes. We hope you will join us!



A Penny For Your Thoughts



As summer comes to a close and we head into fall, school resumes, church work projects return, and we find a new rhythm. I am reminded “change,” even good change is difficult. We like our rhythms. We like our structures and we like things that are comfortable. But one thing I know for certain is that life changes. So what do we do with the ever changing nature of the year, church, culture, society, and life?

I think one answer to this challenge is to anchor ourselves to true places of stability. Just as builders dig down past the frost line to lay a foundation that will not shift, so we cultivate practices that ground us in the Eternal source of life. These practices include worship, daily devotions, times of quiet, times of fellowship, acts of service and justice, and participation within the community of faith. There are many ways to tap into the Source of Life.

In Asbury’s vision statement, we proclaim **God’s words** and **God’s ways** are key to abundant life. And the funny thing about God’s words and ways is that while we too change in the midst of them, they grow with us. While change is still hard, God is accessible and constantly present for us.

In this season of changes, I encourage you to step into whatever change is going on in your life. Stay grounded in your connection to God, our Source of Life, and know our Asbury community of faith is also growing, changing, and welcoming you in this journey as well.

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:

During this time of losing my sister, Nancy Stumbo, your caring and kindness with calls, cards and friendship have been a blessing to me and my family. My memories and your support have helped to fill my heart and continue to bring me comfort. Blessings.
Jan Akervik

Dear Pastor Katherine and Asbury Family:

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the visits, cards and calls. The rehab process was long and my church family certainly made it easier.
Joe Kokotovich

Dear Grandma's Spaghetti Dinner Volunteers:

Thank you again to everyone that volunteered at Grandma's spaghetti dinner. We received a check for \$1465.00 to be used toward our 2023 apportionments!
Asbury UMC

Dear Friends in Mission:

The people you just helped with your gift to UMCOR may never have the opportunity to meet you, but if they did, I am certain their response would be THANK YOU!
Roland Fernandes, General Secretary, UMCOR

Our September Outreach/
Communion Offering is for
LifeHouse.

Attendance . . .

July 30	62 In-church/24 views
Aug. 6	59 In-church/21 views
Aug. 13	55 In-church/23 views
Aug. 20	56 In-church/31 views
Aug. 27	56 In-church/18 views



Letter From Our Sponsored Child Genesis

Translated from Spanish verbatim by Dimas



Hello dear Sponsor and Friends. Genesis say hello to you so gladly and it is a dream for her to meet you and she hopes you are in good health. Genesis want to tell you that she is growing up taller and is learning many things such as colors and the vowels. Genesis asks is your family big? How do you like to enjoy the holiday? Genesis thanks you a lot for sponsoring her and she asked you to pray for God to watch over and bless her family always.

She would also like you to know that Children's Day and Cross Day are national festivals and holidays in San Salvador. Her favorite holidays are El Salvador's town holidays when her family goes to the fair and has fun on the

rides. Genesis enjoys eating pizza and fries at these celebrations.

On Christmas, Genesis and family celebrate with a nice party. She gets to play games, eat food, go shopping with her Mom and have a family dinner. Genesis had a super happy time at a Christmas party where she received a nice gift. On New Year's Eve, Genesis goes to the beach with her beautiful family.

Here is a drawing from Genesis. Goodbye.

Scripture Readers . . .

Sept. 3	Ruth Thorpe
Sept. 10	Dave Stromgren
Sept. 17	Jan Akervik
Sept. 24	Terry Olson



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Donna Mickelson
- 5 Isadora Blazevic
Nathan Nylund
- 9 Duane Palmi
Mary Jo Plys
Ted Plys
- 11 Greg Dunkin
- 17 Nancy Wagner
- 20 Jerry Smith
- 21 Ronan Miller
- 29 Ryder Wrazidlo
- 30 Jill Lepisto

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



The Generosity Challenge

**Our Stewardship Campaign
("The Generosity Challenge")
will start on October 1.**

**Commitment Sunday
will be on October 22.
More info will be the
October newsletter.**

Worship

In September

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: Have you ever run across people that are difficult to deal with? Sometimes you can just avoid them, but what if they are your friends, co-workers, family, or loved ones?

In September we will be taking on the first part of a series that looks at “Impossible People” and then delve into ways that we can encounter them through our Christian heritage and teaching. Join us each Sunday as we gain insight and wisdom.

September 3

Scripture Passages:

Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

Romans 12:9-21

Message Title: “The Challenge of Impossible People”

September 10

Scripture Passages:

Romans 13:8-14

Matthew 18:15-20

Message Title: “The Steamroller”

September 17

Scripture Passages:

Matthew 18:21-35

Romans 14:1-12

Message Title: “The Critic”

September 24

Scripture Passages:

Matthew 20:1-16

Exodus 16:2-15

Message Title: “The Martyr: Woe Is Me”

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO
RUTH BLOOMQUIST
ON HER 103rd BIRTHDAY!**

Wildfires in Hawaii — UMCOR Grant

(Updated as of August 14, 2023)

Wind-driven wildfires on Maui have prompted evacuations and caused significant loss of life and widespread damage. UMCOR is coordinating with the California-Pacific Annual Conference to process an initial grant for emergency supplies such as shelf-stable food, water, hygiene items and tools to help survivors recover belongings. As first responders continue to provide initial aid in the area, please join UMCOR in prayer for those affected. Gifts can be made in the following ways:

- Online at <https://umcmmission.org/advance-project/901670>
- By toll-free telephone call: 1-888-252-6174
- By check made out to Global Ministries/UMCOR with “Advance #901670-Hawaii” written on the memo line and mailed to Global Ministries/UMCOR, GPO, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY, 10087-9068
- By check made out to Global Ministries/UMCOR with “Advance #901670-Hawaii” written on the memo line and given to any United Methodist church.

View and download resources for giving: [Join UMCOR in support for Hawaii - Global Ministries \(umcmmission.org\)](#)

Additional method of giving:

Online Giving: Individuals can give to the **Lahaina Relief Fund** at calpacumc.org/donate.

Calendar

September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Boy Scout Troop 16 meets on Sundays, 6:00 to 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Asbury Singers practice each Sunday except Praise Sunday from 9:00 to 9:30 am. They practice at 9:30 am on Sundays they sing.</p> <p>The Praise Team practices each Wednesday at 6:30 pm and on Praise Sunday at 9:15 am</p>				1	2	
<p>3</p> <p>10:00 am, Worship/ Communion</p> <p>11:00 am, Fellowship, FH</p> <p>6:00 pm, YOGA, Narthex</p>	<p>4</p>  <p>Labor Day</p> <p>OFFICE CLOSED</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, FH</p> <p>11:30 am MS Group, FH</p>	<p>6</p> <p>8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH</p> <p>9:30 am UWF Board Meeting, WR</p> <p>5:30 pm, YOGA, FH</p> <p>6:30 pm, Praise Team Practice</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, FH</p> <p>10:00 to 10:45 am, 2nd Harvest Dist</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Dumpster Pick Up</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10</p> <p>RALLY SUNDAY</p> <p>10:00 am, Worship/Birthday</p> <p>11:00 am, LUNCH, FH</p> <p>EVERYONE WELCOME!</p> <p>6:00 pm, YOGA, Narthex</p>	<p>11</p> <p>8:30 am Garden Team, FH</p> <p>2:00 pm Knitting Klub, WR</p>	<p>12</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, FH</p>	<p>13</p> <p>8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH</p> <p>5:00 pm, YOGA, Narthex</p> <p>6:30 pm, Praise Team Practice</p>	<p>14</p> <p>8:00 am PASTY WORK DAY</p> <p>1:00 pm Communications Team, WR</p>	<p>15</p> <p>7:00 am PASTY WORK DAY</p> <p>Noon-2:00 pm PASTY SALE</p>	<p>16</p> <p>7:00 am PASTY WORK DAY</p> <p>10:00 am-Noon PASTY SALE</p>
<p>17</p> <p>TEACHER DEDICATION</p> <p>9:15 Praise Team Practice</p> <p>10:00 am, Worship/Praise</p> <p>10:15 am, Sunday school</p> <p>11:00 am, Fellowship, FH</p> <p>6:00 pm, YOGA, Narthex</p>	<p>18</p> <p>8:30 am Garden Team, FH</p> <p>9:30 am Green Door Book Group, WR</p> <p>6:30 pm Christian Ed, WR</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, FH</p> <p>1:00 pm Love/Circle, WR</p> <p>6:30 pm Ad Council, WR & Zoom</p>	<p>20</p> <p>8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH</p> <p>9:30 am Trustees, WR</p> <p>11:00 am, Church/School Partnership Team, WR</p> <p>1:00 pm Membership, WR</p> <p>5:30 pm, YOGA, FH</p> <p>6:30 pm, Praise Team Practice</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders</p> <p>11:00 am Communication Team, WR</p> <p>1:00 pm Faith Circle, WR</p> <p>MESSENGER DEADLINE</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Dumpster Pick Up</p>	<p>23</p> <p>9:00-10:30 am Free Community Breakfast, Our Savior's Lutheran</p>
<p>24</p> <p>9:00 am, Asbury Singers, WR</p> <p>10:00 am, Worship</p> <p>10:15 am, Bible Bingo</p> <p>11:00 am, Fellowship, FH</p> <p>11:15 am Membership Info Mtg., WR</p> <p>6:00 pm, YOGA, Narthex</p>	<p>25</p> <p>8:30 am Garden Team, FH</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders, FH</p>	<p>27</p> <p>8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH</p> <p>1:00 pm Visitation Team, WR</p> <p>5:30 pm, YOGA, FH</p> <p>6:30 pm, Praise Team Practice</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:30 am Bone Builders</p> <p>MESSENGER EMAILS</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>

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Photos by Dawn Parendo



A huge thank you to everyone who helped supply us with food (we got everything on our wish list), helped set-up and serve, and everyone who helped with the clean-up after the picnic.

Successful National Night-Out Picnic!

The 2023 National Night-Out Picnic was held on Tuesday, August 1, in Asbury's lower parking lot. Once again a rain storm was forecast but the weather held up nicely and we had about 110 attendees including several police officers.

The Outreach Team served Sloppy Joes, baked beans, chips, a salad provided by Dawn Parendo, watermelon, cookies, lemonade, coffee and water.

The Outreach Team had a special project for CHUM. About 50 shower kits were put together and brought to CHUM.

Games were played by the youth in attendance thanks to Phyllis Kruell who supplied the games and Pastor Katherine's sons Michael, James, Paul and David who organized the games and played with the youth.



Asbury Singers Practice

On September 24 at 9:00 am in the Wesley room an exciting event will happen! The Asbury singers will have their **first practice** of the church year and you can take part! No need to know how to read music. All songs are learned by singing them over and over and listening to them on YouTube.

For those who are not able to come every Sunday to practice (**no practice every third Sunday**), sing along at home to the selection on YouTube or ask Phyllis Kruell to send you a recording of the practice songs.

We are excited to plan our eight performance Sundays and select the songs we love. Song sugges-

tions are welcome. The Asbury Singers will be performing on: October 22, November 26, December 10, January 28, February 25, March 31 (Easter), April 28 and May 12 (Mother's Day).

Thank you for considering joining us.

Asbury's Memorial Garden

The Garden Team would like to remind everyone that Memorial Stones are available for a free-will offering (to offset cost) when an Asbury member or constituent passes away. The stones are engraved with the member's/constituent's name and are placed in Asbury's Memorial Garden. If you would like to order a stone, please contact Judy Pearson at 218-722-5818.



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Ad Council Meeting Minutes — 8-15-23

Opening

Sandy Winklesky, Ad. Council Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:30 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 June 20, 2023, 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 – Pat Anscorb

Lay Leader's Report – Steve Kokotovich

Steve mentioned that we are starting to gear up for the busy Fall season.

Treasurer's Report – Pat Anscorb

The July monthly summary was given. Balance on Hand, 7/31/2023 is \$5,675.64.

As of 7/31/2023 we have paid 13% of our 2023 Conference Apportionments with a balance due of \$17,192.57.

Staff Parish Relations Committee – Steve K. for Barb Kokotovich

The committee has just hired a new custodian. His name is Martin Larson and he will begin in September. An article about him will be included in the September Messenger.

A new custodial job description has been written, using input from several members of the congregation. The new custodian will be working 8 hours per week.

Shirley will be having knee surgery on October 4. We are making plans to help cover her position while she is recuperating.

Trustee's Report – Nancy Wagner

All of the money for the new lighting has been raised.

For a Fall project, the Trustees are replacing the bottom window moldings in the Fellowship Hall.

United Women of Faith – Jan Akervik

The UWF raised their contribution to help cover the cost of the new Sanctuary lighting. Other money to complete the project was found in the Memorial Fund.

Pasty Sale – September 15 – 16.

Apple Pies – October 5 - 7.

Donut Prep – October 11 – 14.

Fall Pantry – October 14.

Meatball Dinner – October 24.

UWF is collecting money donations for Companies to Classrooms.

A collection box is located in the church Narthex.

The deadline is August 31.

Outreach and Missions Team – Steve Kokotovich

The CHUM Rhubarb Festival was on June 24. Thank you to Sandy Winklesky for assembling a picnic basket that was auctioned off at the festival.

Asbury's National Night Out was a success with 110 people attending. Once again, shower kits were assembled and donated to CHUM.

Education Team – Alice Brenny

The team has been busy throughout the summer making plans for Sunday School and Bible Studies.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

7/31/23

GENERAL FUND:

Balance on Hand 6/30/23	<\$2,176.46>
Deposits	28,989.57
Total to Account for	\$26,813.11
Checks Written	<\$21,137.47>
Balance on Hand, 7/31/23	\$5,675.64
Unpaid Bills through 7/31/23 (includes apportionments)	<\$9,500.13>
Net Ending Balance at 7/31/23	<\$3,824.49>

The church/school partnership with Laura MacArthur is going well. Look for the article in the August Messenger about this project. Rally Sunday is on September 10, with a meal following the worship service. Letters to parents about Sunday school will be mailed in August. The Christmas program is in the planning stages. The Fall Festival is October 29. Sponsorship for Genesis is now \$43/month. The Sunday school children will be doing craft projects for shut-ins. The Visitation Committee members will distribute them.

Worship Team – Donna Mickelson

The last Summer worship service is August 16 at 6:30 p.m.

We will begin passing out the attendance pads for Sunday worship.

Nurture/Congregational Care Team – Sandy Winklesky

Visitation Committee – The 80 Plus luncheon was very successful.

Scholarship Committee – no report

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

Pastor's Report – Katherine Cornell

The last Wednesday Night Summer Worship Service is tomorrow.

September 24 is the date of the membership informational meeting.

On October 8, 15 and 22 we will have a Ministry Fair for people to learn more about the committees of the church.

The "Little Library" is still in the works.

Old Business - none

New Business

TPUMMS will meet at the Winklesky's on August 20.

It was asked what is organized for members to donate to the Maui fire relief.

We are checking to see if we can receive compensation for being over charged for storm water runoff.

Closing

The next Ad. Council meeting will be on Tuesday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m.

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 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Patricia Bennett, Recording Secretary

Asbury News

Introducing Our New Custodian

Meet our new custodian, Martin E. Larson. Originally a Duluth native, Martin moved to Portland, ME while serving in the Navy where he met his wife Peggy. They have one daughter, Sharon.

Martin has been back in Duluth for 20 years. He works as a bus driver and custodian for the Duluth School System and enjoys fishing in his spare time. Martin also likes to go on trips with his family.

Our new custodian will start on September 1. Welcome, Martin!



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.



From Acorns To Mighty Oaks . . .

In this case it was a small daisy plant! Sandy Winklesky received a small daisy plant for Teacher Appreciation as a thank you gift and this is the resulting plant under Sandy's obvious green thumb!

Successful 80+ "Young At Heart" Lunch

The 80+ "Young at Heart" Luncheon, hosted by the Visitation Team, was held on August 10 in Asbury's Fellowship Hall. Enjoy these pictures taken by Karen Gokey, Visitation Chair, of all of the attendees. Everyone had a wonderful time of



From L to R: Dick and Phyllis Wolden; Barb Downs; Lois Stromgren; Carol and Jerry Smith.



From L to R: Caroline Carlson; Dick Holm's son and Dick Holm, Jack Anscomb; Audrey Johnson, Carol Peters.



From L to R: Ron Brosdal, Judy Pearson, Bill Guldner, Jim and Bobbi Gimpel, Gary Winklesky.

fellowship with great food, beautiful decorations and gifts made by Vivian and Leo Kruell (Phyllis Kruell's grandchildren). Gathering time started at 11:00 am. Pastor Katherine said the opening prayer which was followed by a delicious chicken salad lunch with strawberry shortcake for dessert (yummy!) Following lunch, everyone went upstairs for songs, a short message, communion and prayers.

It was wonderful to see so many lovely participants. Thank you to the Visitation Team for putting this event together.



Kid's Corner



A PATH TO PRAYER

God's Word offers lots of insights about how to pray.

Directions: Use the code to fill in the blanks and complete a Bible passage about prayer.



ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
ZYXWVUTSRQPONMLKJIHGFEDCBA



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 _ V _ E _ V _ I _ B _ G _ R _ N _ V _ R _
 _ I _ V _ N _ V _ N _ Y _ V _ I _ B _ L _ F _
 _ R _ M _ Z _ O _ O _ N _ B _
 _ K _ I _ Z _ B _ V _ I _ H _ U _ L _ I _ Z _ O _ O _
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 _ K _ I _ Z _ B _ D _ R _ G _ S _ Q _ L _ B _
 _ K _ S _ R _ O _ R _ K _ K _ R _ Z _ M _ H _

1:3-4, NIV

Answer: I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy. Philippians 1:3-4, NIV



SEARCHING FOR SILVER

Godly, biblical wisdom is more valuable than gold or silver. Make this do-it-yourself toy to practice your searching skills.

What you need:

- 12 small, smooth rocks
- An empty, clean egg carton
- Paintbrush
- Acrylic paint (gold or silver)
- Black permanent marker

What you do:

1. Clean the rocks and egg carton. Place newspaper on a table to protect it from paint.
2. Paint all sides of the rocks and carton. Let dry. Add a second coat, if desired.
3. When rocks are dry, number each rock (1-12) with marker. Place rocks in the carton.
4. Play hide-and-seek with a friend. Take turns hiding the rocks in a room, sandbox or backyard. Give clues, if needed, and count the rocks as they're returned.
5. Use your imagination to incorporate a treasure hunt into study time or family devotions.





Pasty Sale — September 15-16

It's time for pasties again! September 14-16 will be pasty making time. Sale days are the 15th and 16th. Your help is needed for this huge project.

We peel veggies and make dough on Thursday, September 14. On September 15 and 16 the crew will roll out crusts, fill crusts, crimp, bake, cook and package.

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

There is a sign in the Narthex to sign-up plus an order form on the table where you can place your order for pasties. Be sure to order your pasties early by the deadline. Pasties are \$6.00 each/gravy \$1.00 each.

ORDER DEADLINE is September 10.

Pick Up Times:

Friday, September 15 from NOON to 2:00 pm

Saturday, September 16 from 10:00 to NOON

All pasty orders need to be picked up by NOON on September 16.

Pasty Sale Work Schedule

Thursday, September 14

8:00 am Mix crust. This is not hard and we will teach you.
Men and women peel veggies.

Friday, September 15

7:00 am — 2:00 pm Preparation and baking of pasties.
NOON Four people are needed for clean up, **six volunteers would be great!**

Saturday, September 16

7:00 am — NOON Pasty baking—come and learn how to bake pasties.
NOON Six people needed for clean up, **8 or more would be terrific!**

COME WHEN YOU CAN AND STAY FOR AS LONG AS YOU CAN!

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

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 September 6 at 9:30 am in the Wesley Room.** Nancy Wagner 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 on September 18 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 meet September 19 in the Wesley Room with a kick off to many fall projects.**
- Faith Circle meets at 1:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month. **NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!** **Faith Circle will meet on Thursday, September 21 in the Wesley Room.** Dawn Jones is our hostess and will share devotions. More plans will be made to help with the Fall Pantry.
- 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 September 11.**
- **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.

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 hostess 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 Anscorn, 218-310-3505, or Leila Lundberg, 218-348-3074.





Asbury Fall Pantry — October 14!

The Asbury UWF Fall Pantry will soon be here on Saturday, October 14 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 most welcome! Please make checks out to **Asbury UWF** and give checks or cash donations to our UWF treasurer, Karen Gokey.

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 5-7 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. Pies are \$16.00 each.



Donut making for our delicious donuts is October 13-14. 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, 218-628-2680, if you can help. Donuts are \$6.00/dz. Order forms will be on the back table in the Narthex.

There will also be 350 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. 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!

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.



What's That Tantalizing Aroma?

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!

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.



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NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE: Sept. 21 for October 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.