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Messenger

JOHN WESLEY'S SIMPLE RULES FOR MONEY:

EARN. SAVE. GIVE.

Dear Family and Friends of Asbury UMC,

In our **Vision Statement** we claim "At Asbury UMC, we believe God's words and ways are key to abundant life for ourselves and our community." One place where we set our intentions to put these words into action is every year during our stewardship time. Our **Mission Statement** then follows: "Asbury UMC is a welcoming, active church that exists to serve, grow, build, and bless our congregation, community, and the world." Neither of these statements would be true without your commitment to **Earn. Save. Give.**

Your giving 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 2024 in the mailing that went out on September 30, we as a church have shown much generosity in our giving to support the many programs of Asbury. This year we are learning about **Wesley's Simple Rules For Money: Earn. Save. Give.** to guide our thoughts as we set our stewardship intentions.

You are invited to join us on **Sunday, October 27, for Commitment Sunday.** As part of worship, we will offer our 2025 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. **A new addition** to our pledge card is on the back of the card where you can add your intentions of giving your time to the church through ministry opportunities. Please bring your completed pledge card with you that Sunday. If you are not able to attend worship on October 27, please mail your pledge card to Asbury UMC, POB 7135, 6822 Grand Ave., 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 pledge card that was included in the mailing sent out on September 30 if

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A Penny For Your Thoughts



Optimizing Our Efforts and Energies

The leaves are turning beautiful colors and falling, the air is getting crisper in the mornings, and the sun is setting earlier. October is here, which means several things in the life of Asbury United Methodist Church. First, it means we take a DEEP breath after making pasties. Was it deep enough? Take another one. Ahhhh! That autumn air feels so good.

Now, we are ready to roll, mix, and fry our way to making donuts and pies for the Fall Pantry on October 12. We always welcome the community into our space to sample our delicious foods and beautiful crafts. We then roll up our sleeves and roll down car windows for our Drive-through Meatball Dinner on October 22.

October is also when we unite in our commitment to be good stewards of our resources through our Stewardship Campaign. As you know from the front page of this Messenger, this year's theme stems from John Wesley's views about money and how we are called to earn all we can, save all we can, and give all we can.

This call to optimize our efforts and energies for the good of God's work of love in this world fits in with Asbury's vision that God's words and ways are key to abundant life. As we grow in our relationship with

God, we recognize that God has given each of us unique gifts of talents, finances and energy.

When we offer these gifts for God's use, we are living in God's words and ways and participating in God's abundant life for us. This year, I am excited that we have a daily devotional reading to accompany our stewardship theme (you can still pick one up for \$6; just call the office!).

Finally, we continue to worship God with dynamic services that fill us with joy and remind us of who we are as beloved children of God. We remember our connection as believers around the world participate in World Communion Sunday. We celebrate the ways in which we grow faith in our children with the presentation of Bibles. We rejoice with our talented musicians as we welcome our Praise Team and Asbury Singers to lead us in worship.

In the midst of all of these projects and opportunities, I am thankful for this community of faith that is willing to gather, work, worship, serve, and give together so that everyone might know that they are beloved of God.

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 UMC:

Thank you for the contribution of 96 hygiene kits for the CHUM Center. The Center started in 1973 to respond to the increase of hunger, poverty, homelessness and isolation in Duluth. Fifty years later, we are still here providing life-saving services to our most vulnerable neighbors. — Gracia Swensen, Development Director

Dear Asbury Congregation:

Thanks for all you do for the kids that come to the Valle Youth Center and for being a great community partner. — Russ Salgy, Director

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you are interested in more information on this option. Pledge cards will also be available in the Narthex.

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 commitment to **Earn. Save. Give.** 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. With your help we can live into our mission to be a welcoming, active church that exists to serve, grow, build, and bless our congregation, the community, and the world. Thanks for your continued support.

With you in Christ's service,

The 2025 Stewardship/Finance Committee

Church/School Partnership Team News

Team member Sue Baker met with Carrie Thompson, the new principal at Laura MacArthur Elementary School, to talk about how Asbury UMC has assisted the school in the past and if there are any changes expected this school year.

Carrie is very excited to work with the Team and appreciates that they are willing to continue with the food distribution program again this year. A new sign-up sheet for volunteers is outside the Wesley Room on the credenza under the mail slots. The Team is looking forward to working with Carrie and the school staff at in whatever way they can.

Thank you to the Church-School Partnership Team members who helped with clean-up after our delicious meal on Rally Sunday. It was very much appreciated!

— Alice Brenny, Christian Education Coordinator

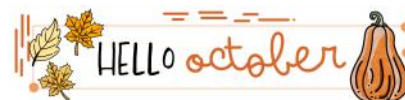


Biking With Asbury UMC

Join us to enjoy the outdoors, have some fellowship, fun and movement all with some low impact exercise. We will meet at 1:00 pm at Asbury UMC. Participants can go at their own pace according to ability and comfort level.

Our next two rides are October 12 and 26. All are welcome!

For more details, please contact Robin Williams, 218-341-9158.



Our October Free Will
Outreach Offering
is for World Community Sunday.



Attendance . . .

Sept 1	52 In-church/25 views
Sept 8	62 In-church/45 views
Sept 15	73 In-church/67 views
Sept 22	69 In-church/20 views

Scripture Readers . . .

Oct 6	Ruth Thorpe
Oct 13	Candy Kokotovich
Oct 20	Sue Soder
Oct 27	Terry Olson



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
13	Sue Baker
15	Sheri Scanlon
21	Jordan Nickila
22	Pat Anscomb
	Carol Johnson
23	Julien Melgarejo
25	Judi VanDell
26	David Cornell

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

Asbury News

Companies To Classrooms Program

Congratulations Asbury members and friends. We had a great year for our “back to school” collection. We collected \$485.50 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!

Christian Education Team Report

On Rally Sunday on September 8, Pastor Katherine offered a blessing for the Sunday School children during Children’s Time. We have 10 children in Sunday School! We met in the Fellowship Hall as we were too many for the classroom! After worship everyone enjoyed Sloppy Joes and hot dogs prepared and served by the Kokotovich crew. The Church-School Partnership Team helped with clean up. Thank you to all who participated to this great start to the new church year.

Our theme for Sunday School this year is The Miracles of Jesus! There are many miracles identified in the bible and we will look at: turning water into wine; calming a storm; walking on water; feeding the many and the miracle of Easter. The Sunday School will again share with the congregation what they discover about miracles. If you would like to see for yourself what the children are doing, please feel free to drop in any Sunday morning.

On September 15, Pastor Katherine shared a blessing for the Sunday School teachers during Children’s Time which was well received and very appreciated.

Please mark your calendars for Fall Festival on October 27. We will set up on Saturday, October 26 at 10:00 am. A potluck meal will be shared in the Fellowship Hall after worship on October 27. Costumes are encouraged—even the “big” kids! A sign-up sheet for the potluck will be in the Narthex along with a sign-up sheet for clean up.

— Alice Brenny, Christian Education Coordinator



Garden Team Report

The Garden Team’s end-of-the-season meeting will be on September 30. 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.

— Pam Perich, Garden Team Chair

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 or on our website at: <https://asburyduluth.org/about-us/worship/>

October Worship Theme: Our worship theme for October follows our Stewardship theme of John Wesley’s Simple Rules for Money: Earn all you can. Save all you can. Give all you can. We will be exploring how these rules help us live into our call from God to be good stewards of the resources we have been given. We will also be celebrating World Communion Sunday on October 6, Children’s Sabbath with a presentation of Bibles on October 13, Praise Sunday on October 20 and we will close with Commitment Sunday on October 27. We hope you will join us!

October 6

Scripture Passages:

Proverbs 3:13-16; James 1:5

Luke 16:10-13; Proverbs 3:5-6

Message: “Earn. Save. Give.: We Need Wisdom”

October 13

Scripture Passages:

Proverbs 6:6-11; Luke 12:42-44, 48b, Luke 16:1-13

Message: “Earn. Save. Give.: Money-The Excellent Gift”

October 20

Scripture Passages:

Proverbs 13:11; Matthew 25:14-30

Message: “Earn. Save. Give.: You Can’t Take It With You”

October 27

Scripture Passages:

Luke 19:1-10; Mark 12:41-44; 1 Timothy 6:17-19

Message: “Earn. Save. Give.: How Far Will You Go?”

Calendar

October 2024

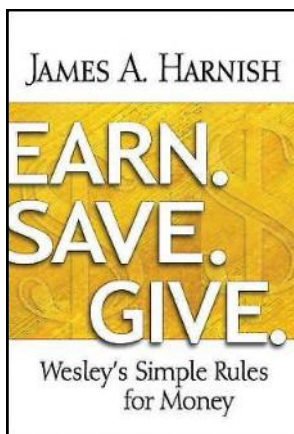
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Asbury Singers practice each Sunday except Praise Sunday from 9:00 to 9:30 am in the FH. They practice at 9:30 am on Sundays they sing.</p> <p>The Praise Team practices each Wednesday at 6:30 pm and on Praise Sunday at 9:00 am.</p>		1 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 11:30 am MS Support Group WR	2 7:45 am Apple Pie Prep, FH 8:00 am, UWF Board Meeting, WR 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 5:30 pm, YOGA, FH 6:30 pm, Praise Team	3 7:45 am Apple Pie Prep, FH 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 10:00-11:00 am Apple Pie Pick up	4 7:45 am Apple Pie Prep, FH 10:00-11:00 am Apple Pie Pick up OFFICE CLOSED	
6 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP KICKOFF 9:00 am, Asbury Singers 10:00 am, Worship/Communion 11:00 am, Fellowship, FH	7	8 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH 11:00 am Book Study, WR	9 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 9:30 am, Trustees, WR 5:30 pm, YOGA, FH 6:30 pm, Praise Team	10 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR	11 8:30 am Donut Prep, FH OFFICE CLOSED Dumpster Pick Up	12 6:00 am Donut Prep, FH 9:00-11:00 am FALL PANTRY, FH 1:00 pm Biking with Asbury.
13 CHILDREN'S SABBATH BIBLE PRESENTATION STEWARDSHIP 2 9:00 am, Asbury Singers 10:00 am, Worship/Birthday 11:00 am, Fellowship, FH	14 2:00 pm Knitting Klub, WR	15 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH 11:00 am Book Study, WR 6:30 pm Ad Council, WR & Zoom	16 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 11:00 am, Membership, WR 1:00 pm Visitation, WR 5:30 pm, YOGA, FH 6:30 pm, Praise Team	17 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH	18 OFFICE CLOSED	19
20 STEWARDSHIP 3 9:00 am, Praise Team 10:00 am, Worship/Praise 11:00 am, Fellowship, FH	21 9:30 am Green Door Book Group, WR MESSENGER DEADLINE	22 9:30 am Bone Builders, WR 11:00 am Book Study, WR 4:30-6:00 pm Drive Through Meatball Dinner	23 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 5:30 pm, YOGA, FH 6:30 pm, Praise Team	24 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH	25 OFFICE CLOSED Dumpster Pick Up	26 9:00-10:30 am Free Community Breakfast, Our Savior's Lutheran 1:00 pm Biking with Asbury. Meet at the church
27 COMMITMENT SUNDAY ASBURY SINGERS FALL FESTIVAL 9:30 am, Asbury Singers 10:00 am, Worship 11:00 am, Fellowship, FH Join us for a meal in the Fellowship Hall.	28	29 9:30 am Bone Builders, FH 11:00 am Book Study, WR	30 8:30 am Men's Coffee, FH 5:30 pm, YOGA, FH 6:30 pm, Praise Team	31  9:30 am, BB, FH MESSENGER EMAILS/MAILS	Gentle Yoga meets on Wednesdays, 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall (unless otherwise specified). Call Cheryl Zupec at 218-343-4478 for more info.	

Asbury News

Book Study In October

John Wesley believed money was important as a way of expressing and living out Christian faith. To Wesley, the task was simple: earn all you can, save all you can, give all you can. In this exciting stewardship program, pastor and author, James A. Harnish, presents Wesley's concepts and beliefs in plain, useful language, suitable for individuals to grapple with and groups to discuss and act upon.

Mark your calendars for Tuesdays October 8, 15, 22, and 29 at 11:00 am to join us in the Wesley Room as we explore and discuss what the Bible and John Wesley have to say about money in our lives. There are two resources for our time together. The first is the book *Earn. Save. Give.* (generously paid for by an anonymous donor), and the second is a daily devotion guide (\$6.00) based on these concepts. Call the church, 218-624-0061, or sign up on the sheet in the Narthex to order your books, daily devotion guide or both.

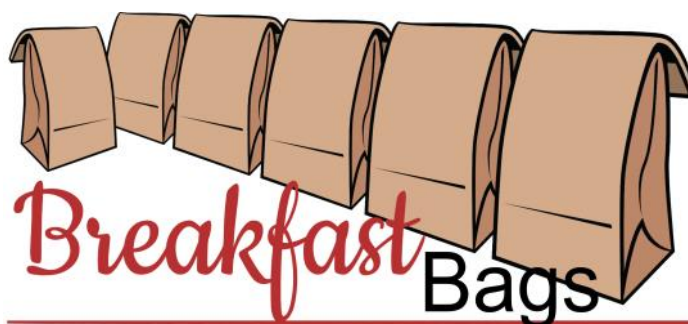


Fall Festival

October 27, 2024 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 27 after worship.

— Christian Ed. Team



Motivational Yard Signs

In our most recent sermon series on the book of James we talked about how we can put our faith to action. One opportunity is to place a yard sign reminding us all that during this election season, we are called to follow John Wesley's Three Simple Rules "Do No Harm. Do Good. Stay In Love With God." These signs will be available at church starting September 29. If you would like to contribute to the cost of the signs, there will be a collection for your donations. If all the signs are already taken, please sign-up and we will place another order for more signs.



"Sock" tober Collection

The Outreach Team will be conducting another "Sock" tober sock collection during the month of October. This year the socks collected will be brought to CHUM. They have requested mens' or womens' regular or winter socks. Please place your donations in the bin in the Narthex on Sundays in October.

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

CHUM Event Breakfast Bags

As part of our work with the West Duluth area churches, Asbury will be hosting a 3rd Saturday CHUM Event on Saturday, November 16 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 3rd Saturday CHUM Event on Saturday, November 16 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.

Part 2 of our project will happen after our Community Thanksgiving Service on November 26. We look forward to this opportunity to work with our neighboring churches and support our community.

Community Thanksgiving Service

Asbury UMC will be joined by other West Duluth churches on November 26 at 6:00 pm as we celebrate and give thanks! We will have fellowship and Part 2 of our service project for the Third Saturday CHUM Event after the service.

Asbury News

Confirmation Program

This year we are pleased to join with Norton Park UMC and Hillside UMC for our confirmation program.



Confirmation Students

Please keep the whole confirmation class, mentors and teachers in your prayers.

Letters From Genesis

We recently received two letters from Genesis, a picture she drew and two pictures of herself (one with the shoes she bought with her birthday gift of \$30. She is 6 years old now. Her birthday was May 17.



Here is the first letter as translated by Johanna:

*Dear Sponsor Friends,
Genesis greets you with love
hoping you are in good health.
Genesis is thankful for the letter
you sent and says that it is a
great blessing for her and her
family to have your sponsorship.
She shares that she greatly en-
joys the classes provided in the
Child Development
Center. She wants to
know if you have
a garden at your
house? Genesis asks
that you pray to God
for her to finish this
school year with honors
and good health. She
says goodbye with
affection.*



Here is the second letter as translated by Johanna:

*Dear Friends, Genesis
greet you warmly and
hopes that you are all doing
well, This time, she thanks
you for the gift you sent
with which she bought very
nice shoes. She sends her
affection.*



Asbury UMC

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 12 & 28, 2024 — 1:00 pm
BIKING WITH ASBURY (meet at church)

October 12, 2024
FALL PANTRY

9:00 to 11:00 am, Fellowship Hall
freshly fried donuts; homemade
apple pies (frozen to take-and-bake);
350 pasties (come early!);
pickles, jams, jellies and more;
Cookie Table; breads, baked goods;
craft/knit items

October 22, 2024, 4:30 to 6:00 pm
**DRIVE THROUGH
MEATBALL DINNER**

**Preorder tickets to reserve dinner —
limited tickets at door**

**NEW! Preorder container
of 5 meatballs.**

Preorders call 218-624-0061.

Deadline to preorder and pay:

October 13

**Checks made out to Asbury UMC
or exact cash please!**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR 2025
February 7-8 AND September 12-13, 2025
PASTY SALE

April 29 AND October 21, 2025
DRIVE THROUGH MEATBALL DINNER

June 6 AND October 11, 2025
DONUTS

June 26, 2025
RUMMAGE SALE

October 11, 2025
FALL PANTRY

Asbury News

Ad Council Meeting Minutes — 9-17-24

Opening

Sandy Winklesky, Ad. Council Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. The council met in the Wesley Room. Pastor Katherine led us in a time of reflection and then followed with a prayer.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of the August 13, 2024, Ad. Council were reviewed. Steve Kokotovich made a correction that he did give an Outreach report at the meeting. He then made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

M – Steve Kokotovich, S – Pat Anscomb

Lay Leader's Report – Steve Kokotovich

No report

Treasurer's Report – Pat Anscomb

Pat reported that she is unable to give the regular monthly treasurer's report because there is a change in the computer system and the information is incomplete.

Pat did report that our account balance is \$16,560.84, but we still have some outstanding bills to pay.

Pat Anscomb made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

M – Pat Anscomb, S – Steve Kokotovich

Staff Parish Relations Committee – Barb Kokotovich

The committee met on September 3 and approved the non-salary budget. Staff evaluations are in progress. The next meeting is November 7.

Trustee's Report – Nancy Wagner

Steve and Judy Hill have replaced the three quarter round around the basement windows.

The Trustees are having the walls painted in the Fellowship Hall. UWF will be paying for it.

We will be replacing the window shades for the windows in the Wesley Room.

United Women of Faith – Bev LeClair

Pasties are complete and went well.

Pies, donuts and the Fall Pantry are coming up next.

The next UWF Board meeting is on October 2, at 8:00 am. After the meeting members will be mixing pie dough for the apple pies which will be assembled the next day.

Cupcakes (on October 21) and bread (on October 15 at 8:00 a.m.) will be made for the meatball dinner.

Though it won't be done soon, UWF is checking into seal coating the parking lot.

Outreach and Missions Team – Steve Kokotovich

The committee met last Thursday.

We will be doing Socktober again this October.

Our dates for Laundry Love is October 29 and December 31.

The CHUM muffin bags will be done again this November. On Saturday, November 16, from 9:00 to noon, we will be making

muffins here at Asbury. On Tuesday, November 26, the muffin bags will be assembled here at Asbury after the Thanksgiving Service. This is a combined project with the Western Duluth churches. We are working at Damiano on Saturday mornings 10 times per year.

Education Team – Alice Brenny

The Sunday School had a wonderful Rally Sunday with 10 children attending.

The theme for the Sunday School year is *The Miracles of Jesus*.

Plans are underway for the Christmas Program which is titled *A Traditional Nativity*. The program will be on December 15.

Terry Olson and Steve Kokotovich have made a clothing rack for the new Sunday School costumes that were bought this year.

Fall Fest is on October 27.

The Church School Partnership with Laura MacArthur is going well.

Worship Team – Pastor Katherine for Renee Randa

The Asbury Singers have begun practicing for the year.

There will be a Healing Service on September 29.

The fifth Sunday of the month is designated for hymn requests.

The stewardship drive will begin in October.

Nurture/Congregational Care Team – Sandy Winklesky

Visitation Committee – Karen Gokey - The 80 Plus Luncheon went very well. Members continue to visit the shut-ins.

Scholarship Committee – Shelly Vanneste – no report

Membership Committee – Candy Kokotovich – There will be an informational meeting for prospective members on September 29 at 11:15 a.m. The next meeting is October 16, at 11:00 a.m.

Pastor's Report – Katherine Cornell

Asbury, Norton Park and Hillside are combining for confirmation and youth groups. They will meet on the first and third Sundays of each month throughout the year with Confirmation Day on Easter Sunday. A Lock-In is planned for September 27. Please call Pastor Katherine if you have any questions.

The Bible Study is *Earn. Save. Give*. It will begin on Tuesday, October 8 and will meet 4 times.

Leaders of the committees are being asked if they are willing to continue as the chair. And, if so, will they please contact their committee members to see if they will also continue serving on the committee?

Pastor Katherine is working to apply for a Lilly Clergy Renewal Grant.

Old Business

none

New Business

Pat Anscomb commented that the West Duluth Annual Meeting is at Mr. D's the same night as our Meatball Dinner. They may be asking us if they can buy 30 dinners to use for their dinner.

Closing

The next Ad. Council meeting will be on Tuesday, October 15, at 6:30 p.m. Bev LeClair made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

M – Bev LeClair, S – Pat Anscomb

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Patricia Bennett, Recording Secretary

Kid's Corner



SAVED BY GRACE

Leaders of the early church discussed whether newly converted Gentiles must keep the Law of Moses. How did Peter answer?

Directions: Cross out every third letter. Then write the remaining letters in the blanks below to complete Acts 15:11, NIV.

NO/WEGBEKLIBEVG~~E~~ITIYS
TUHRCOUJGHRTHOEGPRAH
CEIOFXOUKRLHORCDJSESP
USGTHWATYWEOARBESPAVLED
RJUCSTQASHTHBEYFAROE



"_____!"

_____." Acts 15:11, NIV



Answer: "No! We believe it is through the grace of our Lord Jesus that we are saved, just as they are." Acts 15:11, NIV



Make this craft as a helpful reminder of Jesus' free gift of grace.

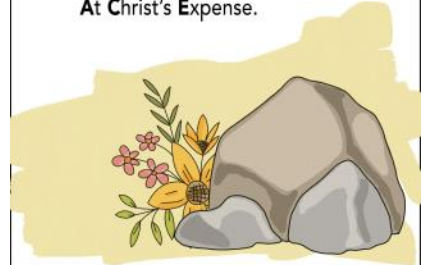


What you need:

- Small cardboard box
- Small stones
- Tape
- Wrapping paper and bow
- Permanent marker

What you do:

1. Fill the box with small stones to weigh it down. Tape the box securely closed.
2. Wrap the box and add a bow on top.
3. With marker, write a capital letter on each side of the box and the bottom to spell GRACE.
4. Use this as a decoration or paperweight, or give as a gift.
5. Explain GRACE to someone.
For help, use Ephesians 2:8-9 and the acrostic **God's Riches At Christ's Expense**.



i am...
LOVED [ROMANS 5:8]
worthy [1 THESSALONIANS 2:12]
cherished [EPHESIANS 5:29]
forgiven [1 JOHN 2:12]
chosen [COLOSSIANS 3:12]



Asbury Fall Pantry — October 12

The Asbury UWF Fall Pantry will be Saturday, October 12 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.

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

All Pantry contributions should be brought to the Fellowship Hall on Friday, October 11 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 3 and 4 starting at 7:45 am. There is a sign-up sheet for help and order forms on the table in the Narthex. Pies are \$16.00 each.

Donut making for our delicious donuts is October 11-12. We start at 8:30 am on October 11 to make the dough. On October 12 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 and sign-up sheet to help are 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 2025 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!

"Cookie Table" Cookies Needed

Our "Cookie Table" is an extremely popular part of UMW'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 name** and the **kind of cookie** you made on it.
3. Bring the cookies to church by **9:00 am on Friday, October 11.**
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 11 (**preferred**) or **no later than 8:00 am** on Saturday, October 12.

Thank you!





Drive-Through Meatball Dinner

Save the date! Asbury's Fall Drive Through Meatball Dinner will be on Tuesday, October 22 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 \$15.00.** Get your tickets and bring the family and your friends!



NEW! Preorder container of 5 meatballs for \$5.00.

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.

Deadline to preorder and pay is October 13. Checks made out to Asbury UMC or exact cash please! 218-624-0061.

All proceeds go towards paying our 2024 Minnesota Annual Conference apportionments.

Advent Tea — December 7

The Advent Tea is planned for Saturday, December 7 at 2:00 pm. The theme is "Advent." Our free-will offering will go to Ronald McDonald House in Duluth.

Please consider being a hostess or co-hostess. Each hostess invites up to seven guests, sets and decorates a table, and provides and makes a treat to have with coffee/tea for after the program.

The sign-up sheet for hostesses will be in the Narthex on Sunday,

November 3. A list of guests will need to be turned in by Sunday, December 1.

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



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 in the Wesley Room on October 2 at 8:00 am (members are meeting early to help with apple pie prep after the meeting).** 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 21 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! The Love/Hope Circle will not meet in October as they will help with fall projects.**
- Faith Circle meets at 1:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month. **NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME! Faith Circle will not meet in October as they will be helping with apple pies, donuts and the Fall Pantry.** Pickles have been made and the chairs of the Fall Pantry encourage each of us to contribute something to the bakery table, canned goods table and/or craft table. Workers are need to help set up and work at the Fall Pantry on October 12.
- 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 meets October 14.**
- **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. If there is a special event at Asbury they may meet in the Wesley Room. 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.

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NEXT MESSENGER DEADLINE: October 21 for November 2024 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.