

Welcome to Worship

If you are a visitor from another congregation, we extend to you our greetings and hope you will join us again. If you are living in the Quad City area, and are not active in a church, we invite you to consider becoming active with us.

Large print bulletins are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Located in each narthex, are details about activities of the church. Help yourself to the information. The church newsletter, **Good News**, lists current ministries and programs.

Did You Know?

The Starry Night family event is TODAY from 4:00-7:00pm. Bring your family and friends!

It is time for **bell ringing** at K&K Hardware for the Salvation Army. Sign up sheets are in the church office. Volunteers are needed now through December 24th. Sign up and be part of the fun.

Cookie Walk will be held on Sunday, December 15th beginning at 9:30a until the cookies are gone. A great Asbury tradition ~ time to get baking!

Sunday School Christmas Program ~ Sunday, December 15 at 9:45-10:45am in the TreeHouse for kids 2yrs through 5th grade. All are welcome to attend and enjoy refreshments afterward.

QC Area Dining Tour Books are on sale in the church office. The cost of the book is \$35 with the \$10 proceed going to Hope at the Brick House after school program. The books are great for gift giving!

Advent Readers, Usher and Greeters are needed to assist during the Advent Season. How can you help? Let us know in the church office.

Christmas Eve Services

- 4:00-4:45p Nativity Party with live animals
- 5:00p Family Oriented Children's Christmas Musical
- 7:30p Christmas Cantata with the Chancel Choir (nursery is available)
- 10:00p Traditional Communion Service

Stewards of Creation—December Congregational Challenge

- *Find alternatives to wrapping paper ~ *fabric, scarf, newspapers, jars, baskets*
- *Consider Each Purchase Carefully ~ *Is it needed?, How long will it last?, Can it be reused?, What impact will it have on the planet?*

Asbury will be hosting a **Warming Station** this winter when the wind chill is negative 30 or colder. There are several ways to volunteer. Speak with a Parish Nurse to see how you can help.

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
8:00 a.m.—Noon
1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Friday
8:00 a.m.—Noon



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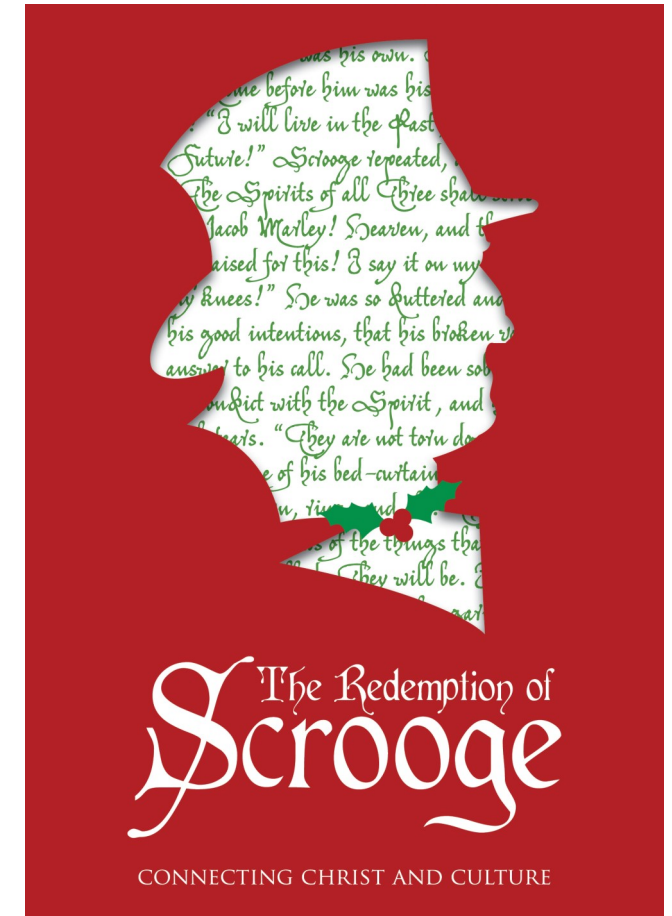
Geofilter available on
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ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Bettendorf, Iowa
December 8, 2019
8:30 a.m.

Asbury United Methodist Church

Our vision is to passionately serve in the world because God so loved the world.

Advent - December 8, 2019 - Liturgical Color: Purple

The Redemption of Scrooge

December 1 - December 22

GOD'S PEOPLE ASSEMBLE

Prelude "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" - arr. L. Larson
Greetings, Announcements, and Attendance Registration
Choral Introit
Lighting of the Advent Candle

*Hymn "People, Look East" vs 1-3 #202

*Unison Prayer

Love, the Savior, you are on your way. But we can often be too stuck in the pain and sorrow of the past to notice how you are breaking into the world. Help us, Love, to deal with our past so we might focus on the glorious future yet to come. Make this be for us a Christmas where we are not clouded by what we have done, but inspired by what you are doing in the world today. Amen.

*Response "People, Look East" vs 4 #202

A TIME OF SHARING OF PRAYING

Passing the Peace of Christ

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer Hymn "He Came Down" (Hope) #2085

Silent Prayer - Pastoral Prayer - Lord's Prayer - Choral Response

Our Father, who are in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

READING AND PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Scripture Psalm 130
Pew Bible Old Testament page 573

Children's Time "Star-Child" vs 1 #2095
Story Time for children K-2nd grade will meet in the Children's Library across the hallway.

Anthem "The Holly and The Ivy" - Old English Carol

Second Scripture John 1:43-51
Pew Bible New Testament page 92

Response: Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Jesus, the Redeemer of Our Past"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Gathering and Presenting of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "The Yearning" - C. Courtney Asbury Men's Quartet
*Response "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #94

*Prayer of Dedication

Long ago you sent your Son to be with us and show us a better way. Through the Christmas of the past, you have offered us redemption and a new way of being. Help us to learn from the past so we might dedicate our present and our future to you. May these gifts bring comfort to those seeking redemption from their past and looking forward to the hope of a new future with you. Amen.

*Hymn "Once in Royal David's City" #250

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Postlude "To a Maid Engaged to Joseph" - R. Edwards

Thank You to Pat Tank for assisting with worship today.

Scriptures for next week are Deuteronomy 15:7-11 and Matthew 26:6-13. Please take some time to study the word and bring your bible to worship.

Opportunities For Work, Witness & Fellowship

Sunday, December 8

8:30a Traditional Worship
9:45a Sunday School
10:00a Sr High Youth
11:00a Praise Worship
11:00a Kids Church in TreeHouse
4:00p Scout Troop 82
4:00p The Starry Night Program

Monday, December 9

6:30p Pack 81

Tuesday, December 10

9:00a Exercise Class
9:30a Hannah Circle at Yoder's
5:00p Trustees
5:15p Global Ministries
6:00p Finance

Wednesday, December 11

1:00p Caregivers Support at St John Vianney
5:15p All Church Meal
6:00p Wednesday Night Kids
6:00p 4th/5th Grade Youth Group
6:00p Middle School Youth Group
6:00p Sr High Youth Group
6:00p Bible Study of John
6:00p Praise Team
6:15p WINGS Study Group

Wednesday, December 11 - cont.

7:00p Rachel Circle Meeting
7:00p Chancel Choir
7:30p Youth Praise Band Practice

Thursday, December 12

9:00a Exercise Class
6:00p Optimists
6:30p Den 8 of Pack 129
7:00p Ladies ARM
7:00p Thursday Evening Bible Study

Friday, December 13

3:45p Jefferson Girl Scouts

Saturday, December 14

7:30a Upper Room Men's Group
8:30a Handbell Practice
12:00p Serve Meal at The Center

Sunday, December 15

Cookie Walk
8:30a Traditional Worship
9:45a Sunday School
9:45a Roots Christmas Program
10:00a Sr High Youth
11:00a Praise Worship
11:00a Kids Church in TreeHouse
4:00p Scout Troop 82
6:30p Pack 129 Committee Meeting

