## 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.

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### Did You Know?

Thank You to everyone who helped decorate the church, inside & out, and to all who purchased poinsettias. It all added to the beauty and spirit of the Christmas Season. Please be sure to take your poinsettia with you today after worship to enjoy in your home.

A free recital on the **Pleyel Double Grand Piano** will be Friday, January 24 at 7:30pm. It will be hosted by Mark Russell Smith, Conductor of the Quad City Symphony Orchestra and is open to the public.

Our next Newcomer's Gathering will be on Sunday, January 26, 2020, beginning at 9:45am in the TreeHouse downstairs. This is a time to learn about our church, get to know people, receive information about Asbury, and to get connected with us & the many opportunities offered.

**Trinity Parish Nurse Program Anointing Service** is on Sunday, January 26 at 2:00pm here at Asbury. Please come celebrate with us in Cheryl Ewert's anointing. A reception will follow in Upper Fellowship Hall.

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

Asbury will be hosting a Warming Station this winter when the wind chill is negative 30 or colder. Our freezer is plugged in and ready to receive food. Some needed items are: homemade bread, muffins, coffee cake and cookies. Homemade soup: chicken noodle, vegetable beef and chili. Your efforts to help stock the freezer are very much appreciated.

Stewards of Creation—January Congregational Challenge Reassess to Use Less Energy: Turn down the thermostat a few degrees, wash some laundry in cold water, turn off un-needed lights.

Mark your calendar for a Marriage Enrichment Workshop on Saturday, February 29th. Charles & Marie Bauer will lead a free, light-hearted celebration of marriage followed by a renewal of vows with Doug Cue and a wedding reception. Nursery will be available with pre-registration for \$5/child up to 11 vrs old.

### 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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## **ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Bettendorf, Iowa December 29, 2019 11:00 a.m.

# **Asbury United Methodist Church**

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

First Sunday of Christmas – December 29, 2019 – Liturgical Color: White

A Christmas Ce	elebration o	of Stories and	d Songs
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Prelude "Fum, Fum" - arr. M. Hayes, Catalonian Carol

Greetings, Introductions, Announcements, & Attendance Registration

Jean Black & Robin James (11:00)

Thiara Smith (8:30)

"O Come, All Ye Faithful" vs 1,2 \*Hymn #234

\*Unison Prayer

The waiting is over, Christmas has arrived! Christmas Eve's candles have been extinguished. Christmas Day's food has been devoured. While the world prepares to move on, we continue to celebrate the season of Christmas and rejoice over the miracle that has been made known to us. Lord, open our hearts again on this first Sunday of Christmas to hear the ancient story anew, to be re-reminded of the miracle of Christmas. Amen.

\*Hymn "O Come. All Ye Faithful" vs 5 #234

\*Passing the Peace of Christ

Lighting the Advent Wreath

First Story

Luke 1:26-35, 38

Pam Thornton (8:30) Reflection

Kurt Streicher (11:00)

Response "Joy to the World" #246

Second Story

Luke 2:1-7

Children's Moment "Goodnight Manger" Pastor Heather Dorr "Silent Night, Holy Night" vs 1-3 #239 Response

Third Story Luke 2:8-16

Reflection Pat Thornton (8:30)

Pat Tank (11:00)

Response "Angels We Have Heard on High" vs 1-3 #238

#### **Fourth Story**

Matthew 2:1-11

Children's Moment Blessing of Gifts Pastor Heather Dorr "We Three Kings" vs 1-4 Response #254

Fifth Story

John 1:1-14

Reflection The Power of Words **Pastor Tom Carver** Response "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" #224

#### Offering our Gifts to God

"Various Themes on 'Fa-La-La'" - Ukrainian Carol Offertory (8:30)"I Wonder As I Wander" - arr. M. Hayes, Appalachian Carol (11:00)#219

"What Child Is This" vs 3 \*Response:

#### \*Prayer of Dedication

Lord Jesus, born to us so long ago, we rejoice again that you have come to dwell on earth with your people. Give us guidance to keep Christmas well, not only this year, but throughout the new year. We dedicate to you these gifts and our very lives. May these humble offerings be acceptable in your sight. Amen.

\*Closing Hymn "Go, Tell It on the Mountain" #251

\*Benediction

Postlude "Carol of The Bells" - Ukrainian Carol

## **Opportunities For** Work, Witness & Fellowship

Sunday, December 29

8:30a Traditional Worship 9:45a Adult Sunday School 9:45a Roots Christmas Program 10:00a Jr & Sr High Youth

11:00a Praise Worship 4:00p Scout Troop 82

Monday, December 30 Tuesday, December 31

Office Closed at Noon 6pm-9am Troop 82 Lock In Wednesday, January 1

Happy New Year! Office Closed

Thursday, January 2 7pm Ladies ARM

7:00p Thursday Eve Bible Study

Friday, January 3

8:15a Fellowship with Purpose

Saturday, January 4

8:30a Handbell Practice

Sunday, January 5 **Communion Sunday** 

8a-12:30p Pop Can Drop

8:30a Traditional Worship 9:45a Sunday School

10:00a Jr & Sr High Youth

11:00a Praise Worship

11:00a Kids Church in TreeHouse

4:00p Scout Troop 82

6:00p Optimists Board Meeting



Scriptures for next week are John 1:1-5, 14 and Philippians 2:1-5. Please take some time to study the word and bring your bible to worship.