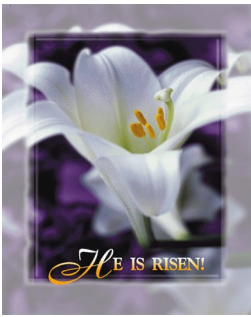




Our Mission ~ To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World



All worship services are now online at 11:00...Including Holy Week and Easter on Sunday, April 12th. Go to Facebook Live to join other Asbury family and friends in worship to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! You may also access the recorded service later in the day or week on video through Facebook or our website at www.asbury-bett.org.

Our situation is changing daily...please check for the most up-to-date announcements regarding church closure on our website.

Scan this QR code with your phone for easy access to our website and Facebook page!



Please do your part and STAY HOME. Our building is closed while we wait out this pandemic. We do have a small crew in the office trying hard to keep everyone connected. Please feel free to contact any of the church staff when a need arises.

We look forward to having everyone back in the building before too long...it's lonely here without you!
Take Care

We are a part of history as we have an opportunity to demonstrate how God can sustain us through the greatest of challenges.

Psalm 91 can be a source of strength as we trust in God:

***You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress;
my God, in whom I trust."***



Message from Pastor Tom...

On March 16th I was scheduled to offer the prayer at the beginning of the Iowa House and Senate legislative sessions. Those sessions have been suspended. As we face this unprecedented global pandemic, I share that prayer with you now as a message of hope and strength.

Dear God, in the midst of a national emergency and global pandemic there is so much to say. But I've been told that I only have one minute. What can you do in one minute?

A lot.

It takes less than one minute to vote yes or no. It takes less than one minute to offer a word of support to someone. It takes less than one minute to decide to do the right thing.

Today we pray for all those affected by the coronavirus. We pray for the people in China, Italy, Iran, Europe, across our beloved country and across the street in our own neighborhoods.

Help us to see our common humanity in all people. As we keep our social distance, may our hearts grow closer to you and to each other.

We pray for our healthcare workers, first responders, peace officers, civil servants and armed forces. We pray for our leaders as they make decisions on behalf of others.

We are thankful for every minute that you give to us and we pray for the wisdom to use it to do the right thing. Amen



Jesus is the Bridge

Our Response to Covid-19 Pandemic

As part of the overall plan of the regional Emergency Management System, all congregations are instructed to first take care of their own members. The goal is to match needs with resources as close to the need as possible. **Here is how we will do it at Asbury:**

If you have a need you may choose one of these options:

1. Call the church office. (563-355-5218).
2. Make a request on the church webpage: <http://www.asbury-bett.org>

Go to the bottom of the page and click on "Congregational Care". You will be taken to a page that gives you 3 options:

Visiting Form: to fill out if you have offered care to someone.

Need Assistance?: if you would like to request help for something.

Can you help?: if you are willing to help someone else who has a need.

Our Parish Nurses will also be attempting to make phone calls to members in order to check in and offer encouragement. If you would like to be part of a team of callers, please call the church to let our parish nurses know.

Warming Station?...No ~ Coronavirus?...Yes! We want to thank all who made soups, chili, breads & cookies. God works in mysterious ways, as we did not need a warming station, however we are now using these items to give to individuals in the church during the Covid-19 pandemic. We are so blessed to have these items prepared & ready to deliver.

Thank you and God bless, Carol, Brenda & Cheryl



Please Keep in Your Prayers~

Mary Jo Flesher-Auliff, Russell Auliff, Tom Buxton, Becky Carlson, Chuck DCamp, Richard Dennis, Jack Fahl, Jon Gimmy, Rich Hofmann, Diana Mahoski, Bruce Millage, Damon Raker, Tyler Musal & his parents Mark & Jennifer (Rodine) Musal

Avonlea (Kay Parch's friend's infant granddaughter)
Wendy Black (Joey Arney's niece)
Dick Brand (Mike Brand's father)
Mike Brotherton (Jeff Ryder's friend)
Cindy Bruhn's Sister (Cathy)
Curt (Kay Parch's friend on kidney transplant list)
Doil Dover (Gail Dover's brother-in-law)
Ann Dudgeon (Linda Dudgeon's mother-in-law)
Gilbert Garrett (Heather Dennis' father)
Rev. Ken Hartman (Pastor Lorraine's husband)
Jackson (Mary Fanning's grandson)
Pat Jessen (Heather Dennis' mother)
Kevin Johnson (Dan & Jessica Crippen's friend)
Parker Kress (friend of Jackson Moats)
Mandy (Terry & Kelly Miller's granddaughter's mother)
Rose McCray (Jack Fahl's granddaughter)

Jack Mohr (Gary & Jane Mohr's grandson)
JoAnn Munson (Barb Nelson's sister)
Myrtle, Terry & Mickey (Heather Dennis' friends)
Morgan Nichols (Dave Nichol's daughter)
Julie Nieman (Jo Winegar's sister-in-law)
Gary Pena (Gail Dover's friend)
Wendall Ryder (Jeff Ryder's father)
Brian Sapp (Jan Westercamp's nephew)
Keith & Betty Schmidt (Alinda Littrel's friend)
Phyllis Siebert (Carol Atkinson's sister)
Paul Stobaugh (Jean Bowrey's brother-in-law)
Joy Taylor (Deborah DCamp's mother)
Brian Turnmeyer (Dean & Joey Arney's nephew)
Andrea VanDyke (Beverly Fanning's mother)
Westin (friend of Heather Dennis' co-worker)
Shirley Whitbeck (Doris Meier's friend)
Women at the Well, Mitchellville, Iowa



Our thoughts and prayers are with Rona & Carl Loweth on the death of Rona's mother, Irene Garriott, on March 1.
Dawn & Bob Dittmer, Cooper & Ian on the death of Dawn's step-father, Dennis Immel, on March 2.
Sandy McIntyre on the death of her brother, Randy, on March 9.
The family and friends of long-time Asbury member, Mary Ellen Strupp, on March 18.
Jack Fahl & family on the death of his wife, Theona, on March 24.

Would your small group like to meet online?...Call the church office at 355-5218 or email patty at: pattys@asbury-bett.org to reserve a meeting time on ZOOM.

Friendly Thrift Center...is still searching for a new slate of officers and a general manager. If you and a friend have been nudged by God to pursue this rewarding ministry, please visit with Thiara Smith at 563-320-7189 about the possibility of sharing the management duties.



Churches United Mealsite...We will soon be preparing the new six-month schedule at Mt. Zion Lutheran Church. If you can help by preparing food or serving & transporting please call Vierlyn Roskens at 355-8759 or Ann Lawson at 332-2091 by Monday, April 15th.

Newsletter Deadline...Articles for the May issue of Good News should be in the church office no later than 8:00 AM on Monday, April 20th. Thank you!

Ladies in Fellowship Together...Check the LIFT Facebook page for the latest news & words of inspiration.

Giving your offerings while worshipping online...You may mail your offering to the church, or simply go to our website at www.asbuty-bett.org or download the app to your phone. Give your offering in two easy steps!

You may give your electronic gift to Asbury through the Vanco Give Plus app. Simply download Give Plus from your app store onto your phone. A list of churches will come into view. Choose Asbury! That's it! This easily accessible app makes it convenient to give your offering anytime day or night...even during worship!

- Direct Debit Giving Online (EFT) is used to automatically transfer funds online from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account.
Credit & Debit Card Giving lets you make contributions automatically on a predetermined schedule using a credit or debit card online.
ONLINE GIVING lets you go to www.asbury-bett.org at any time to set up an automatic donation plan, change your donation plan, make a one-time donation or view your online donation history.

We also offer.....

- ACH Auto-Debit Call the church at 355-5218 to fill out the appropriate form to have Asbury automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account.



For giving made easy, scan this QR code with your phone for easy access!

If you have any questions about ACH AUTO DEBIT or VANCO ONLINE GIVING the church office.

Tornado Relief

The images from Tennessee strike close to home. Many of us want to help. The best way at this time is with prayers and financial donations through UMCOR Special Advance #901670. Three United Methodist churches were heavily damaged in the Nashville area.

If you would like to help, you may make your check to Asbury (with UMCOR noted on the memo-line) or give directly to UMCOR through the Iowa Conference website at www.iaumc.org. Remember....100% of any donation to UMCOR goes directly to the cause—always. Thank you!

