

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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

Good News

Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m. Online Only through July 1

In June we will look to the Bible for guidance on how we listen to and connect with our neighbors. Join us on Facebook Live for our Sunday Sermon Series, *"Hello from the Other Side"*. You do not need to have a Facebook account.

Go to: <u>JesusIsTheBidge.org</u> and click on the red "Live Worship" button. You may also use the website to view the recorded service later in the day or week.



Before Sunday Worship....**Zoom with friends from 8:45-9:50**, June 7 through August 16 for a fun, interesting summer class with Don Mitchem! "Hymns We Love" will cover favorite hymns in our two hymn books, telling each hymn's history and inviting attendees to discuss how those hymns have been meaningful. The class will be informal, with the hymns chosen by attendees. To receive the **ZOOM** link, or if you have questions, please contact the church office or Don Mitchem at dondmitch@aol.com, 563-528-2736. (The link is the same as the "Unafraid" class.)





We hope you will also join us for a Virtual Fellowship Hour Each Sunday in June at 11:00

This is an informal time for conversation and connection after Sunday worship. Snacks, coffee, or lunch are encouraged! Contact the church office to receive the **ZOOM** link address.

Coming June 28....**Drive-Up Communion Service** will be held in the 18th Street parking lot at 8:30 and 11:30 a.m. before and after the 10:00 online service. Please bring your own bread & juice and remain in your car. Pastor Tom will lead us in communion through your car radio.



Please check for the most up-to-date announcements regarding church activities on our website: <u>JesusIsTheBridge.org</u>

We look forward to having everyone back in the building as soon as safely possible, and are looking to our Bishop Laurie Haller and the lowa Conference leadership for guidelines on how we will re-enter. They can be found at: <u>https://www.iaumc.org/newsdetail/iowa-annual-conference-of-the-united-methodist-church-crisis-response-re-entry-plan-13653399</u>



PRAYER MINISTRY UPDATE....Thank you to everyone who is joining us in our new Prayer Ministry efforts. We have begun receiving Prayer Requests and Praises though the new Home Page Link on our church website, **JesusIsTheBridge.org**. Besides receiving prayers and praises, several church members have volunteered to join our Prayer Ministry Team, both as a **Prayer Servant**, who will pray <u>for</u> people and as a **Prayer Partner**, who will pray <u>with</u> people.



Our Prayer Leaders, Pat Tank and Pam & Pat Thornton are pleased to introduce the following members of Asbury's Prayer Ministry:

<u>Prayer Partners</u>: Pastor Tom Carver, Pastor Heather Dorr, Cheryl Ewert—Health Advocate, Carol Jackson—Parish Nurse, Brenda Sherrick—Parish Nurse, Rob Gagnon

Prayer Servants: Jenny Bloomquist, Jean Bowrey, Dot Crosby, Pam Duehr, Rebecca Erickson, Norma

McKelvey and Vierlyn Roskens If you would like to become part of Asbury's Prayer Ministry please contact one of the leaders or call the church office.

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Birdies for Charity

Even though the John Deere Classic golf tournament has been cancelled this year, you can still make a donation to Asbury Church through Birdies for

Charity. Donations to Asbury through Birdies are guaranteed a 5% bonus match. You can use Birdies to make your regular offering, however special gifts above your normal offering would be greatly appreciated in this challenging economic time.

A pledge form is included with this edition of the Good News or you can go to <u>http://www.birdiesforcharity.com/donate</u> to make a donation. Type in the Asbury number **2269** or just "Asbury" and we pop right up!

Asbury Re-Entry Survey

Our worship leaders are developing a plan to return to the building as the Coronavirus restrictions begin to ease.

Your input will be helpful as we determine a path forward. Please take a moment to fill out an online survey that is available through a link on our webpage at <u>JesusIsTheBridge.org</u>. A paper copy of the survey is included with this Good News for those who do not have access to the internet.

It will be a phased approach that keeps people safe while getting us back into our building to connect with people in person.

We'll be back. We'll be prepared. We'll be safe.

Thank you!

Hello from your Parish Nurse Team...Our Response to Covid-19 Pandemic



Continue to use good hygiene practices (wash your hands) Continue to physical distance Continue to wear a mask in public Continue praying Stay connected to those you love!



Be safe. Be well. God bless you! Please contact us with any questions or concerns. Brenda, Carol and Cheryl

• <u>Our building is closed while we wait out this pandemic</u>. We have a small crew in the office from 8:00-Noon this summer. Please feel free to call or contact a staff member at home if a need arises.

• <u>RECYCLED CANS PROGRAM ENDS</u>....Due to increased concerns over health and cleanliness, we will no longer accept recycled items at the church. We thank you for understanding.

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

- <u>Newsletter Deadline</u>....Articles for the next issue of Good News should be in the church office no later than 8:00 AM on Monday, June 22nd.
- Ladies in Fellowship Together...Check the LIFT Facebook page for the latest news & words of inspiration.
- <u>Asbury Men's Group</u>....Contact Cliff Pim (563-340-2722), Phil Paulson (309-502-9236) or the church office (355-5218) for the next ZOOM meeting date, time and link. All men are welcome!
- Global Ministries Seek & Find Sale...Global Ministries will not hold their annual Seek & Find Sale in 2020.
- Foundation Gift Recognitions....Thank you to those who gave a gift to the Asbury Foundation in honor of their recent birthday... Jayne Burmeister, Jan Coffenberry, Sandra Crain, Dean Drexel, Dan Miller, Rob Swinney, Sherry Van Pelt and Jan Windmiller
- <u>DVD Ministry</u>...Do you or someone you know NOT have access to the internet and are NOT able to watch Asbury's worship services? Contact Don Mitchem at <u>dondmitch@aol.com</u> or 563-528-2736.
- <u>Congratulations</u>....to Troy and Abbey Hess on the birth of a daughter, Cora Lee, on May 19. Grandparents are Jay and Carri Sawyer. Jay and Carri also celebrated the birth of a grandson, Milo Vicente, on February 22. Parents are Jordan and Kassandra Sawyer.
- <u>Thoughts of Sympathy</u>....Our prayers are with Don Culp on the death of his wife, Evelyn on May 31. The family and friends of former Asbury member, Celeste Hudson-Quartell. Celeste passed away on May 10th in Georgetown, Texas. Due to the pandemic, her family is hosting an online memorial and invites you to share memories with them at: <u>https://www.forevermissed.com/celeste-nutting-hudson-quartell/lifestory</u>

YOUTH SUMMERTIME FUN - The Youth Group Zoom Meetings will continue this summer. We are having too much fun to stop now, so join us each Wednesday at 6:00 pm. Trivia Games such as GimKit are led by Carrie Meumann. Monthly prizes will be awarded for attendance...so don't miss out!! Remember, you can Zoom on your Cell Phone or a desktop computer! Email Carrie Meumann for more details or to request the Zoom log-on code! <u>carriem@asbury-bett.org</u>



ROOTSKIDS ONLINE - Parents help your K-5th graders out and set a reminder to watch the weekly RootsKids videos. Each week you will find activities such as puzzles, coloring pages, word searches and the parent resource in the comments section. This month we are putting on the scuba gear and "DIVING IN" to the books of the Bible!

ROOTSKIDS now has their own Facebook Page! Be sure to LIKE us! Filled with our weekly videos and kid challenges, this is a fun place to connect our kids in a new and creative way! Take and post your photos of each challenge and you just may be selected for a special prize drawing!

Summer Family Fun - Drive In

Our first ever Kids Drive in will take place @ the Asbury parking lot corner of 18th & Mississippi Blvd

Stay in cars or bring lawn chairs to sit by your cars to maintain social distance





THANK YOU....to everyone who has continued to faithfully give your tithes and offerings while our building is closed. Gifts may be mailed to the church or go to our website <u>JesuslsTheBridge.org</u> to give electronically.