



JesusIsTheBridge.org

**Annual Report Celebrating Our
2020 Ministries**

2019



2020

Ready for Anything in 2021!

Senior Pastor's Annual Report for 2020



One new I-74 bridge is finally open! Especially in a year like 2020, we shouldn't overlook the good accomplishments that are still happening. We have been using the new I-74 Bridge as a parable for our church. Just like the need for a new bridge, we've known that our church needs to evolve and adapt to the constantly changing world around us. That has never been more true than during this past year. The good news is that we too are making good progress.

We started the year with the goals of developing an intentional discipleship pathway and strengthening our ministry with children in the community. We also were going to research reinstating a preschool and begin the development of a neighborhood captains program.

Then everything changed when the coronavirus impacted our world. We quickly adapted to worship online and virtual meetings over the internet on Zoom. The new sound system and video equipment that the church had recently installed turned out to be a lifesaver. We have made many technological advances that we could not have imagined just a year ago.

And through it all, as we are adapting we are becoming more resilient. We've strengthened our prayer ministry with people ready to pray for and with persons in need. Our desire to offer ministry with children in the community resulted in stronger relationships with our local schools as we helped with food and other needs during the pandemic. We did investigate reinstating a preschool but determined that it was not feasible with our building limitations. We are in the process of developing "neighborhood bridge builders" to help us connect with our members and community in the neighborhoods where they live.

Add to that the birth of a new baby to Pastor Heather and Chris Dorr and there have been several good things happen this year for which we can be thankful.

If 2020 has taught us anything, it is that things can change in a moment. Our theme for the coming year of 2021 is to be ***Ready for Anything***.

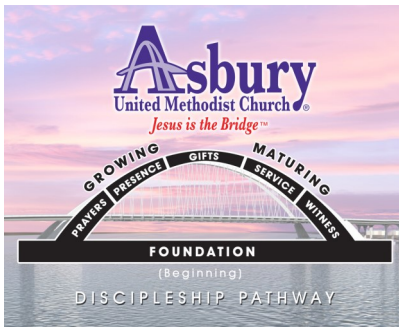
And while it is good to report that progress is being made, we're not done yet. Our goals for the coming year are listed on another page and include a study of our physical building and organizational structures. We need to continue to adapt in order to become more effective in the post-pandemic world that is coming. Just like there is another bridge to be completed across the river, there is also more that we need to accomplish.

But we are making good progress. If we stay focused on our message that *"Jesus is the bridge who connects us to God and one another"*, then our pathway will become more clear. Lives will be changed, Bridges will be built, and we will be ***Ready for Anything in 2021***.



*Grace and Peace,
Pastor Tom Carver*





Message from Pastor Heather Dorr

2020 was not a year that any of us had anticipated. There was no preparation in place for an unprecedented global pandemic. I had set goals to work on introducing a discipleship pathway for Asbury and to take a fresh look at how we could do mission work as a church. Both of these plans went sideways, but I believe God took us in new directions.

Asbury's Strategy Team has discerned a need for all of us to intentionally grow in our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. This year, we have seen the death of the prayer list and the birth of a new Prayer Team, which connects individuals with those willing to pray for and with them. We are offering more prayers and more timely prayers than ever before. This year, we have seen the loss of physical presence in our church building and the birth of new ways to connect and be together. We've been able to have people join us in worship and in Zoom small groups from near and far away. This year, we have seen the end of passing the plate in worship in the building and the amazing response of this church to follow through with planned estimates of giving. This year, we have seen plans for mission and partnerships fall apart even as new ones have sprung up in the midst of pandemic needs. This year, we have seen an inability to welcome someone to worship in the church building even as we have seen the ease of inviting someone to tune into Facebook Live on a Sunday morning from their own home.

As many things have been lost, so much has been gained.

I am looking forward to the exciting ways of continuing the work of a discipleship pathway here at Asbury, using the things we have learned in 2020. I am also excited about new leaders who are passionate about mission. These leaders would do the discerning and administrative work of planning so that the rest of the church can be sent out in mission to change the community and the world. A long-term goal would be that each person at Asbury is engaged in mission work on behalf of the church to be building the Kingdom of God here on earth.

We do not know what 2021 will bring, but we pray it is an end to the pandemic and a return to our ability to be face-to-face. 2020 will forever change this church just as it will forever change each of us. My prayer is that we have been changed for the better, becoming more grateful, more resilient, and more responsive to God's call in our lives.

I thank each of you for your prayers and your support as my family welcomed baby Emmett. And I thank you for your flexibility and your passion as we traveled through the surprises and the joys of this past year.

Peace,

Pastor Heather Dorr





CHURCH ON A MISSION Goals for 2021

Continue Goals from 2020:

1. Develop an Intentional Discipleship Pathway
2. Expand Ministry to Children in the Community
3. Organize Neighborhood Bridge Builders

Build on What We've Been Learning During the Pandemic:

4. Improve our Online Presence
5. Study our Physical & Organizational Structure
6. Prepare for the Denominational Change
7. Renew a Connection to a Non-Local Mission





ADULT MINISTRY STATISTICS SUMMARY September 2019-March, 2020 Update since COVID 19

During September, 2019 thru March 15, 2020 when we closed the church due to the pandemic, there were 211 adults in a group including 52 during the Sunday School hour. During this time, there were around an average of 251 people in worship. That number includes children, so it is not possible to get a totally accurate account of the percentage of adults who participated in a group, but it is around 84% (Up from 74% last year).

There were over 20 different service projects and donations in Asbury, Bettendorf, the Quad Cities and beyond that were completed during this time.

Three Sunday Sermon and Study Series were offered: RECKLESS LOVE by Tom Berlin, THE REDEMPTION OF SCROOGE by Matt Rawle, and ENTERING THE PASSION OF JESUS by Amy-Jill Levine.

Since March, 2020, when Covid-19 became a factor, the Discipleship Groups have all gone to Zoom meetings. Currently, ADVENTURES IN FAITH and AGAPE are meeting together on Sunday mornings. EXPLORATIONS had also joined that group, but Realff Ottesen's health has now allowed him to return to teaching. They are currently studying John Wesley and what it means to be a Methodist. Additional groups continuing to meet via Zoom include WINGS: Wednesday Inspirational Night (of) Group Study, Thursday Evening Bible Study and various ARM groups.

Summer Adult Sunday School, "Hymns We Love" was led by Don Mitchem with an average of 21 people meeting via Zoom each Sunday morning.

Currently, there are some groups that are involved in service projects. Hiney Heroes, donations to the Thrift Center, Garden Ministry, and building projects by the Men's group continue. There have been volunteers doing the painting and expansion of the TreeHouse inside the church. Plans are being made to ring bells for the Salvation Army at K & K Hardware. Money has been and continues to be donated to various organizations.

Obviously, it is harder "to track" people at this time. The Adult Ministry Team continues to offer materials to the groups that are meeting and we are hopeful that the goal of disciplining, educating, developing leaders, and reaching others continues even thru this difficult time of not being in close physical contact with others.

In His Service,
Linda Manning, Director of Adult Ministries





Children & Youth Ministries Report to the Congregation

Asbury United Methodist Church 2020 Church Conference

October 29, 2020

Greetings Families of Asbury Church! As the Director of Children and Youth Ministries, I am excited to highlight the programs and our accomplishments that have taken place within the Children and Youth Ministries at Asbury United Methodist Church over the past year.

Our Sunday School program had a wonderful year of teaching about God's love in age appropriate small groups. When the Covid 19 Pandemic hit our nation, we had to pause our in person programming. After realizing this was going to be a longer term than we realized, we began making videos for kids to watch online starting with Easter and have continued to provide various online videos, a few in person drop offs which included the remaining Sunday School curriculum, May Day baskets and Bibles for 3yrs, 3rd Grade and Confirmation ages, Advent Activity Bags, Christmas Ornament Crafts and most recently RootsKids Moments shown during the church online broadcast.

Kids Church was held during the 11am worship hour in the TreeHouse where lessons were taught through use of Bible story telling characters, puppets, kids worship leaders and actors. This was met with very positive feedback both from the kids and their parents who enjoyed attending church while their children worshiped at their level and in their own fun space.

Our youth group had an engaging year up until the Pandemic as well. We met each Wednesday night and enjoyed various activities from the trampoline park to singing at the nursing homes during Christmas and a 24 hour Lock In with 40 kids!

While we've been closed down, the TreeHouse has been updated with additional touches to help finish off the look thanks to Kevin Jones and Dan Howell's incredibly hard work. We look forward to when we can have the children back to enjoy the space created with them in mind!

We found a creative way to still have VBS with an outdoor Drive In style event held in our overflow parking lot. "God Is In ConTROLL" was a hit with kids and their parents. Three nights of Bible stories, Trolls leading worship (by our Jr High kids) and creative surprises brought us all together in a fun but safe way.

The Christmas season brought Starry Night to Asbury where many adults, teens and children participated in telling the story of baby Jesus with vinettes throughout the church building. We hope to bring this event back when it is once again safe to open our doors to the public.

It is my honor to serve the Lord here at Asbury and I look forward to the future in 2021!

His Servant,
Carrie Meumann
Director of Children & Youth Ministries





RootsKids TreeHouse



Confirmation 2020



God is in ContROLL!



Asbury's Parish Nurse Ministry



Brenda Sherrick
RN Parish Nurse



Carol Jackson
RN Parish Nurse



Cheryl Ewert
Volunteer Health Care Advocate

The Parish Nurse Program has concentrated on development of a wholeness-in-health ministry and bringing together one's spiritual and physical needs, which will enable one to experience the life God promised through Christ...to live life abundantly!

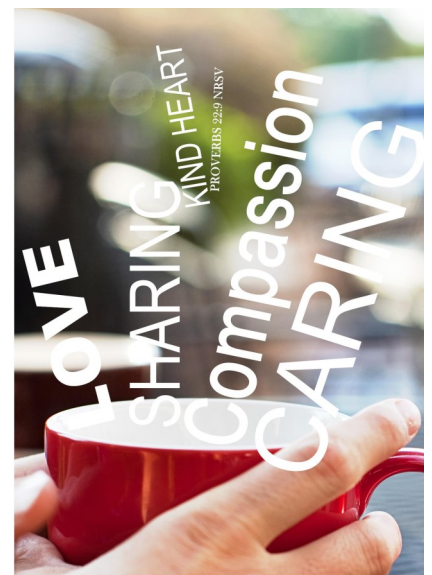


Parish Nurse Goals for 2021

1. With the addition of another Parish Nurse, we are able to offer more programming and classes to our congregation. Example: Foot Clinic and Blood Drive
2. With the help of the Pastors, we revised the Prayer Chain and developed a leadership Prayer Team that oversees the Joy and Concerns and is updated weekly with the Parish Nurses and the Pastors.
3. A Strategic Planning Committee has been developed and we will continue to assess the needs of our church while under the affects of the Covid-19 pandemic.
4. Continue with Grief Share classes using online support.



After-School Food Delivery



Asbury Parish Nurse Program and Breakdown of Services

1. Contacts made by the nurses since January 2020 average 80-90 people each month.
2. Sympathy cards are mailed to our members.
One-year anniversary of death cards are mailed.
3. We were asked to give the prayer for the Unity Point Hospital for Donor Celebration Day, however it was cancelled due to the Covid virus pandemic.
4. Guidelines for visits:
 - a. Hospital, hospice, notice of death visits (as needed)
 - b. Skilled Care- weekly visits
 - c. Memory Care Checks - monthly visits
 - d. Long-term Care - monthly visits
 - e. Assisted Living - monthly visits
 - f. Independent Living - quarterly visits
5. Monitor visiting notes by others on the Asbury website. Intervene when red flags or concerns are detected and do a follow-up visit.
6. Exercise class meets twice a week in the upper fellowship hall. (On hold due to Covid.)
7. Hospital visits - Pastors and parish nurses take turns during the week to visit those in the hospital. (Will resume when restrictions have changed.)
8. Submit health information on the announcement loop and the Asbury website and Facebook.
9. Follow up with all prayer request cards that are submitted as well as requests made through the online *Caring Congregation* prayer request form.
10. Offer Grief Share Classes twice a year. This is an 11-week program. Also offer Grief Share "Surviving the Holidays" once a year or online as needed.
11. Offer blood pressure checks to members upon request.
12. Help set up health programs and/or speakers for different classes throughout the year
13. Newborn Ministry - Make a home visit and provide a gift basket with special gifts for the family.
14. Meet weekly with the pastors to update health related concerns of parishioner visits and keep each other informed.
15. Manage Angel Fund offering help to members when needed. Example: gas gift cards
16. Offer an all-church Afghan Ministry to the Bettendorf and Davenport community.
17. Coordinate and serve luncheons at funerals with the help of the Funeral Committee. We are available at the funerals for family support. (On hold during pandemic)
18. Attend Church Council meetings monthly on Zoom
19. Maintain and monitor first-aid kits throughout the church. Put together and maintain travel first-aid kits.
20. A nurse is present during the hours of Grace Events or VBS.
21. Outreach Program to those in need (not necessarily church members). Provide food baskets at Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter and food for the Bettendorf after-school program.
22. Make sure all staff have CPR provided to keep their status updated.
23. Monitor, maintain and educate staff on AED in the church. Offer education to congregation on use of AED annually.
24. Provide monthly reports to Unity Point Parish Nurse Program Manager.
25. Maintain a library of health resources located in the parish nurse office.
26. Parish nurses attend classes on health issues around the area as provided and attend the monthly parish nurse meetings held by Unity Point.
27. Maintain confidentiality for all our members.
28. We are available 24/7 and receive calls at all hours and days of the week.

We are Looking to Grow Asbury's Prayer Ministry

We would love to have you join us in this very rewarding ministry!

Contact Pam & Pat Thornton: psthornton@gmail.com

Asbury Prayer Ministry Team

- Jenny Bloomquist
- Jean Bowrey
- Barb Brethauer
- Tom Carver
- Dot Crosby
- Ron Dixon
- Heather Dorr
- Pam Duehr
- Rebecca Erickson
- Cheryl Ewert
- Rob Gagnon
- Carol Jackson
- Ann Lawson
- Rona Loweth
- Linda Manning
- Norma McKelvey
- Vierlyn Roskens
- Brenda Sherrick
- Kurt Streicher
- Pat Tank
- Pam Thornton
- Pat Thornton

Asbury Prayer Ministry Team

- The Prayer Ministry Team began April 28
- We have received 309 prayer requests
- 31 requests are currently active and 278 are complete
- 128 different people have requested prayers
- Prayer requests have come from multiple sources
 - Facebook – 157
 - Website – 43
 - Worship Cards – 38
 - Caring Congregation Team – 24
 - Calls – 13
 - Sunday School Classes – 11
 - Email – 10
 - Men's Group – 8
 - Rachel Circle – 4
- We have 23 active Prayer Ministry Team Members
 - 11 Prayer Servants – Praying for people
 - 4 Prayer Partners – Praying for and with people
 - 3 Parish Nurses – Nursing care, prayer and communication
 - 2 Pastors – Pastoral care, prayer and communication
 - 2 Prayer Leaders – Prayer team leadership and communication

Prayer Team Members are making a real difference in the lives of those for whom they are lifting up prayer!!!



During 2020 the trustees have tried to take advantage of the time while the building was not in use. There have been several projects to update the building interior.

A major accomplishment was the installation of a remote locks on the Main and Office entrances. An indoor motion detection security system is also installed.

GREAT THANKS are due to Kevin Jones and our custodian Dan Howell for many hours sprucing up the insides and preparing for a fresh look when people return.



Main Entrance—After



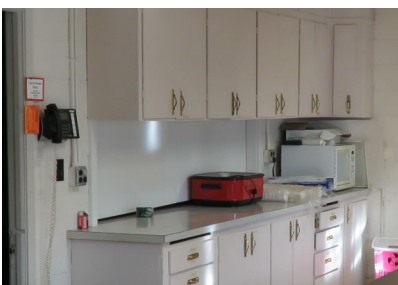
Dan Howell



Renovated Basement Storage Area
Will Kunz –Eagle Scout Project
Work in Progress



After!



Lower Kitchen
Before



New Scrub Sink



2020 Year-End Finance Team Report

We are so pleased to report to you that Asbury ended 2020 with all our expenses paid, including our full apportionments – this is quite an accomplishment with all the challenges of the past year. This was possible as a result of:

The generosity of the congregation, including yourself.

Our ministry leaders work hard to spend less than the budgeted amount for the year.

Our financial team used the resources available to us via 2020 Federal CARES ACT to offset the challenge of restrictions on Sunday services and the effect that had on in-person gifts.

As we begin the new year, the challenges of COVID on our personal lives and as we worship & serve as a church continue to be transformative. We have remained strong both spiritually and financially as a church, enabling us to serve one another and continue to strive to be a positive force in our community.

Thank you for helping us to reach our financial goals enabling us to continue to be impactful on the lives of people in our community and around the world. More importantly, thank you for all that you do in your daily life to share the love of Jesus.

As we enter 2021, the challenges remain with restrictions on Sunday in-person services. In-person gifts will continue to be challenged for the upcoming year and it seems more important than ever than we prayerfully look to our Asbury gifts to keep us strong and able to serve as disciples of Christ to one-another and to our community.

With anticipation and a bit of nervous uncertainty, we are excited to see what this year will bring!

In Christ,
Pastor Tom Carver, Senior Pastor
Kim Brenner & John Rabine, Co-Chairs Asbury Finance Ministry



Embracing our COMMUNITY

Many things in our lives have changed during the pandemic, however our church continues to actively work behind the scenes to serve others in our church family and in our community. **We thank EVERYONE for your support of the vital and active outreach that continues to take place in the midst of the Covid-19 challenges!** Just a few of those include:

- Generations Care & Rehab Center • Mid American Project Aid • Churches United •
 - Hope at the Brick House • Garden Ministry • Bettendorf Food Pantry •
- Asbury Men's Group Building Projects • CROP Walk • Hiney Heroes • MVRBC Blood Drives •
 - Rocket Project for Neil Armstrong School •



Reverse Advent Calendar for Food Pantry



Derecho Relief Effort in Cedar Rapids

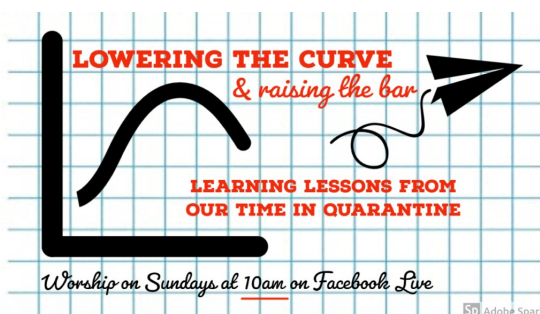


Worship Committee



Worship at Asbury was met with new opportunities this year as we transitioned to an on-line presence, in March, due to the pandemic. Our Worship Team stepped up to meet the challenges of online worship. Creativity thrived, our musicians came together virtually, we experienced drive-up communion, and outdoor baptisms. Advent took us into the homes of our Asbury friends, and Christmas Eve gave us three different worship experiences. We were able to adapt special Sundays to a virtual format such as Confirmation, All-Saints Sunday, and Blanket Sunday.

As we look forward to 2021, we will continue to implement creative worship events, expand our knowledge and use of technology, and we will be prepared to safely return to in-person worship when the time is right.



GARDEN MINISTRY



Our Garden Ministry continues to be blessed with a harvest of about 34,500 lbs. of fresh vegetables that were distributed to 19 organizations that include food pantries, meal sites, home shelters, and senior living apartment complexes. In addition, some produce was distributed to individual families. Since its beginning in the spring of 2002, over 600,000 lbs. of fresh vegetables have been distributed. During the season, Tyler Brinegar, Producer/Director of Iowa PBS, did a story on our Ministry. It can be viewed on the following link: <http://www.iowapbs.org/gfi> Sincere thanks to the volunteers whose involvement contributed to this successful gardening season!



2020 HARVEST – 34,496 lbs.



HARVEST BY VEGETABLE (in lbs)

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| CABBAGE | 1,293 | GREEN PEPPERS | 507 |
| CANTALOUPE | 2,247 | ONIONS | 2,513 |
| CUCUMBERS | 2,025 | POTATOES | 2,023 |
| TOMATOES | 20,210 | WATERMELON | 2,231 |
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| ZUCHINNI | 685 |  | |
| SQUASH | 250 | | |
| MISCELLANEOUS | 512 | | |

RECIPIENTS

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|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| St. James Food Pantry | St. Mark's Food Pantry |
| The Center Food Pantry | Café on Vine |
| Grace Bible Church Food Pantry | North Park Food Pantry |
| All Saints Lutheran Church | CCC |
| Vera French | King's Harvest |
| Cumberland House | Riverbend Food Bank |
| Bettendorf Food Pantry | Luther Manor |
| Christian Care | Friendly House Food Pantry |
| North Scott Food Pantry | St. Anthony's Food Pantry |
| Hope at the Brick House | |





The Asbury Card Ministry was initiated in May 2009. Its mission is to send greeting cards to those in our congregation who need an encouraging word or just a reminder that someone is thinking of them. We work with the Parish Nurses and office staff to obtain the names of these individuals. We make many kinds of cards including sympathy, thinking-of-you, birthday, new baby, holiday and others when the need arises, along with bookmarks for the Bibles given to Asbury students.

The pandemic has not stopped the Card Ministry. Unable to meet as a group, we worked individually from our homes, completing the assigned task to make part of the card. The needed supplies and then the completed parts were transferred from doorstep to doorstep. At the final stop, the card was assembled and prepared for mailing.

Shown here are examples of their beautiful cards!



46 Teacher Appreciation Cards

Ministering & Caring



14 Graduation Cards



83 Thinking of You Cards



46 Thanksgiving Cards

Women in Ministry

Ladies' ARM Group

This Ladies ARM group is a caring and sharing group of women whose primary focus is to create an atmosphere where group members affirm and encourage one another, build each other up in Christ, and help each other grow. This is accomplished through short-term Christian studies and occasional service projects. They meet on the 2nd and 4th (and perhaps the 5th) Thursdays of the month from 7:00-9:00 PM. They will be using the Sunday Sermon & Study Series for Advent, ALMOST CHRISTMAS on November 5th and 12th and December 3rd and 10th. Then on January 14th and 28th, they will finish the two lessons on MOUNTAINTOP MOMENTS. On February 11th, they will begin the Lenten Sunday Sermon & Study Series, PETER by Adam Hamilton which will take them through April. All women are welcome! Contact Sharon Phillips for the link to Zoom.



LIFT: Ladies in Fellowship Together

This Ladies group has their own Facebook page. They meet at different locations or via Zoom for fellowship and service projects which vary each time. Connect with them on Facebook or by contacting Stephanie Pim, Jenny Bloomquist, Marian Paulson, or Julia Hensch.

Hannah Circle

Hannah Circle is a socially oriented group of ladies that meets on the second Tuesday of the month from September through May. Gatherings rotate between breakfast and lunch outings in the community to share joys and concerns, catch up on the latest news, and share milestones with one another. At the current time, they are bringing their own sack lunch and meeting in an outdoor location with social distancing. They will discuss the possibility of meeting via Zoom as the weather changes. Anyone is welcome and should contact Donna Stradt for needed information.

Rachel Circle

Rachel Circle meets in a variety of locations and ways (sometimes on Zoom) on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM. Their goal is to support and encourage each other in their Christian journey. Members responsibilities as hostesses and plan programs that could include a speaker who presents information on a relevant topic. A service project is also included each month. Their mission is to form relationships with community agencies and assist them either with a monetary donation or with goods & service. Anyone is welcome to drop in and join the group at any time. Please contact Sue Gallagher, Katie Nelson or Jo Winegar for the link to Zoom



Asbury Men's Group

The goal of the men's group is building Faith through Study, Service, and Fellowship. This is done by watching a short video, having group discussions, and studying the Word and how it relates to everyday life as a Christian man. Fellowship is built through some fun time at each meeting and through one-on-one prayer partners.

An "open chair" is always there to greet you, so please join them!
They meet Saturday mornings via Zoom at 8:00 AM.

Please contact Cliff Pim or Phil Paulson for the link to Zoom.



Phil Paulson & Cliff Pim





Stewards of Creation is a community of people originating from, but not limited to, members of Asbury United Methodist Church. We believe that caring for God's Creation is an essential part of our Christian faith. We honor God's Creation by protecting and preserving it for future generations. We acknowledge truth of what is happening in our world, look for ways to put our faith into action by caring for Creation and seek to provide hope for those who may be in despair over climate events. Every person is invited to be a steward of Creation.

The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church states:

"All creation is the Lord's, and we are responsible for the ways in which we use and abuse it. Water, air, soil, minerals, energy resources, plants, animal life, and space are to be valued and conserved because they are God's creation and not solely because they are useful to human beings. God has granted us stewardship of creation."

"Stewardship is the wise and careful management of someone else's resources. Stewards are entrusted with something valuable, sometimes priceless, that belongs to another."

We may be uncomfortable thinking and talking about our world's pollution, the climate crisis, species going extinct etc. It's depressing. Meanwhile, the planet, humans and other living creatures are in distress. How should we respond as Christians? As Christians we have a call to help those in distress, a responsibility to educate ourselves and make necessary changes in our lives. Here at Asbury, we can choose to learn, plan and respond to these topics. We will be posting special events and monthly challenges in upcoming "Good News" and on our Facebook site @AsburyStewardsOfCreation . (There is not a regular time or place to meet.)

Stewards of Creation Seeks to:

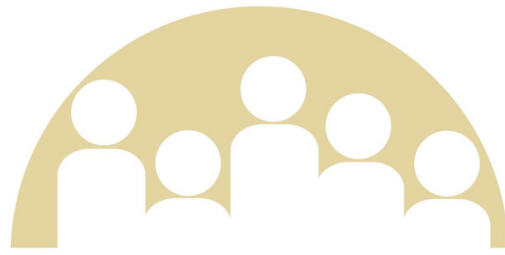
1. Initiate ways Asbury can become a "Green Church".
2. Provide awareness of recycling opportunities, environmental changes and climate concerns through books, movies, speakers, Facebook posts and field trips.
3. Give notification of church or community events related to recycling, protecting the environment and climate change awareness and action.
4. Provide opportunities to talk with other Christians about these topics. Together we can learn the truth about this subject and seek hope.
5. Encourage everyone through "monthly challenges" to take meaningful Creation care actions in our individual lives and together as a church community.

Since our Stewards of Creation ministry was created in August of 2019

- Some activities included: Tours of the Scott Area Recycling Center, "Everything Connects" documentary film and guest speakers – Kurt Liske - Scott Area Recycling and Karen Nader with Terracycle.
- We started an ongoing Terracycle Collection located at Asbury (Plastic cereal bag liners and Chip/Snack bags)
- Green Church initiatives – Added recycling bins, goal to omit Styrofoam products for kitchen use and energy efficient LED lightbulbs added including new outdoor lighting fixtures.
- Response cards – Opportunity to tell our story as we respond to the challenge to care for Creation.
- New Communication through Facebook Stewards of Creation page. This page primarily gives suggestions for responding to our monthly challenges and offers an awareness of the many ways to support Creation.
- In 2019-2020 nineteen different "monthly challenges" were offered for consideration.

Join us as we learn and put our faith into action through ecological discipleship as we respect and care for Creation. For more information and updates read the "Good News". Also, "Like" and "Follow" our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/AsburyStewardsOfCreation>



Our 2021 *Leadership & Ministry Teams*

Asbury United Methodist Church
Bettendorf, Iowa

OFFICERS

Co-Chairperson of Church Council Paul Wolf - 2018-2021
Co-Chairperson of Church Council Dave Stedwell – 2021-2024
Secretary of Church Council Dot Crosby
Lay Members to Annual Conference 2021..... Pat Thornton & _____ Open _____

MINISTRY CHAIRPERSONS

Asbury in Mission Linda Carver & Jenny Bloomquist
Council Member at Large Jerry Finley, Peggy Hamilton, Steve Sorensen
Discipleship..... Marian Paulson
Finance/Stewardship..... Aaron Christopher & Cliff Pim
Hospitality Jo Winegar
Leadership Development Vice Chair Cheryl Ewert
Pastor Parish Relations..... Pat Thornton & _____ Open _____
Trustees Bob Gallagher & Tom Stelk
Worship Dennis Winegar, Stephanie Pim & Ken Jones

OTHER CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Pastors, Parish Nurses, Music Director, Lay Leader

STRATEGY TEAM MEMBERS

Jenny Bloomquist, Cindy Bruhn, Don Mitchem, Stephanie Pim, Steve Sorensen, Pat Thornton, Paul Wolf
Pastor Tom Carver, Pastor Heather Dorr

ASBURY IN MISSION – AIM – Linda Carver & Jenny Bloomquist **Under Reorganization**

Church & Society Members

Bruce Atkinson, Barb Brethauer, Kevin & Becky Carlson, Bob Christoffersen, Cheryl Ewert, Jane Fergades, Linda Helms, Robin James, Ann Lawson, Diana Mahoski, Julie Moran, Susan Moseley, Katie Nelson, Vierlyn Roskens, Steve & Patti Sorensen, Dave Stedwell

Garden Ministry Team

Co-Chairs – Dave Phillips & Kevin Jones
Ruth McMorran, Linda Roeder, Al Sloss

Global Ministries Members

Gail Jackson, Gary Littrel, Ruth McMorran, Julie Wilkinson

Stewards of Creation – Susan Moseley—Chairperson

Linda Carver, Delia Erickson, Robin James, Scott James, Kevin Jones, Dave Stedwell

DISCIPLESHIP TEAM – **Under Reorganization**

Staff Liaison – Pastor Tom Carver; Chairperson – Open; Secretary – Open

Discipleship Team Ex Officio: Representatives from Adult, Youth & Children's Ministry Teams and Scouting

Adult Ministry Team – Chairperson – Bob Mattison; Staff Liaison – Linda Manning

Jean Black, Don Mitchem, Marian Paulson, Pam & Pat Thornton

Children's Ministry Team – Under Reorganization

Staff Liaison - Carrie Meumann

Youth Ministry Team - Under Reorganization

Staff Liaison – Carrie Meumann

FINANCE/STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE – Co-Chairs – Aaron Christopher & Cliff Pim

Staff Liaison – Pastor Tom and Treasurer

| Term Ends 12/2021 | Term Ends 12/2022 | Term Ends 12/2023 |
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| Aaron Christopher Cliff Pim | Dan Miller Rich Noble | John Cameron Marlene Corray Rick Oelerich |

Finance Ex Officio: Senior Pastor; Church Council Chair, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Lay Leader, Lay Members to Annual Conference, PPRC Representative, Trustee Representative

HOSPITALITY TEAM – Chairperson – Jo Winegar; Task Force Chairs - Cindy Bruhn, Heather Dennis Multiple Volunteers – As Called & Always Welcome!

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT – Pastor Tom; Vice-Chair—Cheryl Ewert

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| Steve Gipple Ann Ottesen Cliff Pim | Pat Thornton Cheryl Ewert | |

Leadership Development Ex Officio: Lay Leader

PASTOR PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE Chairperson - Pat Thornton

Secretary-Jan Windmiller

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| John Cerny Dot Crosby Jerry Finley Donna Kuykendall Bev Reed | Ada Christopher Jan Windmiller | Tony Morales Pat Thornton |

PPRC Ex Officio – Lay Leader, Lay Members to Annual Conference, Pastor

TRUSTEES – Co-Chairs – Bob Gallagher & Tom Stelk; Staff Liaison – Pastor Tom

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| Dan Brown Dave Nichols ____ Open ____ | Kevin Jones Tom Stelk Pam Thornton | Jerry Bishop Bob Gallagher Howard Tyler |

Foundation Board: Chairperson – John Rabine; Staff Liaison – Pastor Tom

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| Dan Brown Ann Kardell | Jerry Finley John Rabine | Kim Brenner Jim Spelhaug |

Building Hospitality: Pastor Heather Dorr, Pam Duehr, Stephanie Pim

Foundation Ex Officio: Finance Chair, Pastors, Trustee Chair

Memorial Committee – Chairperson –Alinda Littrel; Staff Liaison – Pastor Tom

Linda Dudgeon, Sharon Phillips

WORSHIP COMMISSION Co-Chairs – Dennis Winegar, Stephanie Pim & Ken Jones

Staff Liaison – Pastor Tom

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| Pam Duehr Linda Noble Kurt Streicher | Ken Jones Stephanie Pim Dennis Winegar | Ann Brown Marilee Smith Denise Tyler |

Worship Ex Officio: Acolyte Chair, Chancel Choir Director, Communion Chair,
Praise Worship Leader, Memorials Chair, Music Director, Senior Pastor

Communion Stewards –Co-Chairs–Marcia Wiedmeyer & Charlene Hamman

Staff Liaison–Pastor Tom

Cindy Bruhn, Pam Duehr, Cheryl Ewert, Steve & Cindy Gipple, Roger & Charlene Hamman, Rich & Linda Noble, Cliff & Stephanie Pim, Mike & Bev Reed, Rick Reed, Steve & Patti Sorensen, Dave Stedwell, Jill Vogt, Marcia Wiedmeyer, Craig & Jan Windmiller