

# Good News

## Our Mission:

*To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World*



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As we move into the heart of the summer, I've always noticed how Iowans jump into outdoor activities this time of year. I see people out walking, biking, swimming, boating, and traveling all over the state and everywhere. I think this comes as a response to the often harsh winters we experience in the upper Midwest. After a long winter of not wanting to get out of the warm house or car, it is nice to be able to catch some sun and find some outdoor fun.

This time of year, the church schedule is also often more relaxed. Some classes do not meet; and our choir and teachers take a break. But there are still some great ways to participate in Asbury UMC during the summer!

We still have a couple more Sundays of discussing the new UMC Social Principles. This document tells us the official position and guidance of the UMC on a wide range of issues and gives us a lot of food for thought as we think about how best to impact our community! Following the Social Principles, Phil Paulson will begin another study which will take us through the end of the summer.

We still have both services of worship every week at 8:30am and 10:30am and both of those are streamed if you are out of town or cannot make it in person. We hope you'll join us this summer as you are able for worship, fellowship and ministry!

Pastor Tim

## Discipleship Moment - What is my Ministry?



Have you ever wondered how you can live with more purpose? What gifts do you bring to Asbury? Everyone has Spiritual gifts gifted to us from God. These are our unique set of skills and abilities. Finding out your Spiritual Gifts will help you find your purpose and your Ministry. To help you get started Asbury offers an online Spiritual Gifts Inventory. It is a quick and easy way to find out your Spiritual Gifts. Even if you have taken an inventory in the past, take it again. You might be surprised how your gifts have changed over the years. You may be gifted in

Administration, Evangelism, Exhortation, Giving, Mercy-Showing, Prophecy, Service, Shepherding or Teaching. Take the inventory and find out!

The answers to the questions are confidential; only your top 3 gifts will be sent to Asbury. This information will help you find ways to use those gifts to serve where you best fit. The survey only takes about 20 minutes. Please be sure to register your email so Church Growth can email you detailed information on your gifts.

In honor of our 75th Anniversary we are looking to have 75 participants take the Spiritual Gifts Inventory. To date we have had 44 congregation members take the survey. Will you help us get to 75?

You can find the link to the inventory on our Website, or by scanning the QR code shown.



Spiritual Gifts

*There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.*

*1 Corinthians 12:4-6 NIV 4*

Jean Black and Vern Harvey Discipleship Team Co-Leaders

## Summer Adult Sunday School - July 20th to August 24th

This class will be starting July 20th and ending August 24th, from 9:30 am to 10:25 am in rooms 302-303.



The Summer Adult Sunday School class will be offering a theme based study about "Being Witnesses of the Holy Spirit". During this six-session study we will be exploring the topics listed below, which will parallel Pastor Tim's sermon series.

Please join us for this insightful study!

July 20  
July 27  
August 3

Doing and Being  
Ask, Search, and Knock  
Treasures in Heaven

August 10  
August 17  
August 24

By Faith  
There Is No Condemnation  
Doing Good When You Can

**COMING SOON!** September 7 - Fall Kick-Off Sunday & Meal at 4pm • September 14 - Fall Sunday Sermon Study Series



**Come learn more  
about Asbury!**

*at the*

**Newcomers Gathering**

**July 27**

**9:30-10:25am**

**Lower Level - Room 110**





## Bits and Pieces from Your Parish Nurse Team VETERANS - Did You Know?



Through your honorable service to our country, you may be eligible for health care services and benefits. The VA offers many services to our veterans, including benefits to help take care of your family; buy, retain, or modify a home; earn a degree; start a career; or to stay healthy. These benefits are offered at the VA Hospital and locally. There are benefits ranging from long-term care to funeral and burial services. You can also take advantage of health care that gives you access to world-class medical services through the nation's largest integrated health system.

If you have any questions, would like more information, or would like the contact information for Veteran Affairs of Scott County, contact Carol Jackson.



**Loss of Spouse Grief Share: Monday, July 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.** Contact Cheryl with questions or to sign up.



**Foot Clinic: Monday, July 28 from 1:00 to 4:00.** Appointment times still available. Contact Cheryl Ewert.



**The next blood drive is Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 5:30.** Contact Cheryl to make an appointment or register online at [ImpactLife](#).

## Missions

## AIM (ASBURY IN MISSION) .... "DOING GOD'S WILL"



Please join us in supporting the **Bettendorf Food Pantry** as our Mission of the Month for July! Please bring non-perishable food items and personal care products to the church throughout the month. You may also direct financial gifts to the food pantry by marking your contribution accordingly or by giving online at [JesusIsTheBridge.org](#) and choosing the "Missions" field under Online Giving. Thank you!

## Thank You for Your Service! † Asbury Doing God's Will!

**Thank you to Lisa Delzell, Sue Eby, and Carolyn Keeney for serving the Zion Meal in July.**  
**Thank you to all who are supporting our June MOM by volunteering at the garden this summer!**

- **Office Hours**....Asbury Office Hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00-Noon and afternoons by request. Please feel free to contact a staff member if you need assistance after hours.
- **Newsletter Deadline**...Items for the next Good News should be in the church office no later than **8:00am on Monday, July 21.**
- **Praises and Requests for Prayer**....may be submitted on our website by clicking on the "**Prayers & Praise**" button. If you would like to be part of Asbury's Prayer Team, please contact Pam & Pat Thornton, Pastor Tim or the Parish Nurse Team.
- **Pleyel Double Grand Piano Concert**....FMTA invites you to a concert by the popular duo, *Trick and Alderighi*, at Asbury on **Sunday, August 10, 3:00-4:30pm.** Tickets at the door or online are \$15/adults and \$5/students.
- **Thoughts of Sympathy**....Our prayers are with Dan and Ann Brown & family on the death of Dan's mom on June 21.
- **Friendly Thrift Center**.... is in need of travel-size shampoo, conditioner, lotion, etc. and men's shorts. There is a bin near the elevator on the lower level of Asbury for you to place your items. Thank you!
- **Hannah Circle**....All women are invited for breakfast or lunch out on the second Tuesday of each month. Join us for fun conversation and fellowship! Watch for details of the August 12 gathering in the next issue of Good News.
- **Rachel Circle** .... Meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Our August 12 meeting will be supper at The Machine Shed. Watch for details in the next Good News. Hope to see everyone there!
- **Card Ministry WILL NOT meet in July**....Next meeting will be on **Wednesday, August 13 at 6:30pm.** To learn more, go to their Facebook page, the Asbury website or contact Alinda Littrel or Linda Dudgeon. You can help support Card Ministry expenses by purchasing their cards in the church office!
- **Craft & Chat**....Next meeting of this drop-in gathering is **Saturday, July 19 from 9:00-Noon** in the Connections Café at Asbury. Bring your own supplies and work on any craft project you like, or come and help make a sleeping mat for those in need! Connect and have fun with fellow crafters. Contact Michelle Bonney for more information.
- **LIFT - Ladies In Fellowship Together**...Join the ladies of LIFT for an outdoor concert with the Bettendorf Library Summer Concert series! **Thursday, July 17 from 6:30-8:00pm at Faye's Field** (next to the Bettendorf Library at 2850 Learning Campus Dr.). Bring a lawn chair and enjoy fellowship and good music from 3 on the Tree. We will also be collecting items for Asbury's Backpack Ministry! For more information and to RSVP, please contact Julia Hensch at 563-543-7643 or respond on the LIFT Facebook page.
- **Asbury Men's Group**....Join us in person at the church on the second and fourth Saturday mornings of the month at **7:45am.** Contact Cliff Pim (563-340-2722), Phil Paulson (309-502-9236) or the church office (563-355-5218) for more information or the **ZOOM** link. All men are welcome!
- **Asbury Foundation**....Thank you to Mitch Hill and Diana Mahoski for their recent gifts to the Asbury Foundation. For information on how you can guarantee a strong future for the life and ministry of Asbury through a gift to the Foundation, please contact John Rabine or the church office. **This is a thoughtful way to honor your birthday or other occasions.**