SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE: Traditional Service 8:30am RootsKids 8:30 Adult Class 9:30am Praise Service 10:30am **Communion on August 3**

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Good News



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

Learning About Our Faith Together # #

Over the years, I've found that I learn so much about my faith in Christ from members of the congregation I serve and other fellow believers. I enjoy hearing the insights you have about faith and discussing the questions we all have about faith, life, and connecting in God's presence together.

We are quickly approaching fall when we will restart all of our regular opportunities for worship, ministry, service, study and sharing with each other. I want to tell you about a couple of options coming this fall that I hope you might want to participate in.

This fall, with the help of Carrie Meumann, I'm going to be producing a video podcast titled, "Ask Pastor Tim." I'm planning to offer a weekly 3-5 minute presentation on Facebook and Youtube answering your questions about faith, the Bible, the United Methodist Church, UMC theology, etc. If I do not know or have a ready answer to your question, I will provide suggested resources for further exploration. We will let you know how best to submit your questions, but you can always email me at tim.bonney@iaumc.net if you want to help me get the ball rolling. Each video cast will feature one question, so if I have several questions at a time, you may have to wait a couple of weeks to see a response to your question. Please note that I will not reveal who asked the question, so do not be embarrassed to ask away!

Also, this fall I am hoping to start a small gathering for worship and prayer. I'm envisioning something in the 30-45 minute range where we will read some scripture together, share in a hymn or song, and share praises and prayers. What I need to know is the best time and day to offer this gathering. I plan to avoid my usual day off (Friday) and the weekends as they are already packed with activities. But, I'm open to morning, afternoon or evening depending on when people can gather. Feel free to email me if you would like to be a part of this worship and prayer opportunity and give me a suggested day and time of the week.

During the year, I am also looking at other spiritual practices we might explore together as we find ways to go deeper in our faith. In Christ's Service Together,

Pastor Tim

Summer Reading Challenge - Invitation for Conversation

The Discipleship Team hopes you have enjoyed the Summer Reading Challenge. We would love to hear your thoughts!

Plan to join us for discussion and fellowship: Wednesday, August 6, 2025 from 5:30-7:00 pm Meet at Waterfront Deli, 1813 Kimberly Road, Bettendorf, IA

We will meet for refreshments and conversation. Dinner, desserts, and drinks are available to purchase. If you plan to join us please RSVP to Jean Black at 563-676–0120 or email jeaniniowa60@gmail.com or call the church office.

> Come and join in the conversation! Jean Black and Vern Harvey, Discipleship Team 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 sermons.

Please join us for this insightful study!

July 20 July 27

Doing and Being Ask, Search, and Knock August 3 Treasures in Heaven

By Faith August 10

There Is No Condemnation August 17 August 24 **Doing Good When You Can**

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







Bits and Pieces from Your Parish Nurse Team Upcoming Opportunities!



A **Grief Share** group will begin on Tuesday, August 19th and will meet for 11 weeks. We will meet in Room 202 from 6:00-8:00pm to share in the program which is designed for individuals to meet others who are grieving and to share thoughts, stories and prayers. Those who have participated in the past have related that the time spent with those going through similar experiences is beneficial and healing. Those wishing to participate (or who have questions) should contact Cheryl Ewert by calling her directly (563-505-1477) or by calling the church office.



Foot Clinic: Monday, July 28, 1:00-4:00. Two openings still available. Contact Cheryl Ewert to make an appointment.



Monday, August 25, 2:30-5:00. You may make your own appointment through the Impact Life website, or you may talk with Cheryl about setting up a time to donate. Thank you for making the time to donate to help others in this way whether you come to the blood drive at the church or if you go directly to the Blood Center. You are doing a great thing!

Missions

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Thank you to LIFT and Friends for supporting Mark Twain Backpack Program through your donation of food items!

- •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, August 4.
- <u>Praises and Requests for Prayer</u>....may be submitted on our website by clicking on the "<u>Prayers & Praise</u>" 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.
- •Thoughts of Sympathy....Our prayers are with Roberta Gimmy and family on the death of her husband, Jon, on July 23.
- •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 available at the door and online are \$15/adults and \$5/students.
- Friendly Thrift Center.... Summer is going quickly and the FTC Christmas in July Sale will be winding up soon. Visit us in August for fall football clothing and lots of Hawkeye items! Check out our Facebook page for the latest updates! Currently, we are in need of bookbags, travel-size shampoo, conditioner, lotion, etc., men's shorts, jeans and nice casual shoes for young men & adults. There is a bin near the elevator on the lower level of Asbury for you to place your items. Thank you!
- •<u>Hannah Circle</u>....All women are invited for breakfast or lunch out on the second Tuesday of each month. On <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>August 12</u> we will gather at 11:30am for lunch at Ting's Asian Bistro (former Crust restaurant) located at 2561 53rd Street in Bettendorf. Join us for fun conversation and fellowship!
- •Rachel Circle Meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Our August 12 meeting will be supper at The Machine Shed. For reservation purposes, you should let Jean Dean know if you will be attending her phone number is in the church directory. Plan to arrive by 5:30pm. Everyone is welcome even if you have not been to a Rachel meeting previously. We'd love to get to know you!
- •<u>Card Ministry Will Not meet in July</u>....Next meeting will be on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 13 at 6:30pm</u>. 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 lovely cards in the church office!
- •<u>Craft & Chat</u>....Next meeting of this drop-in gathering is **Saturday**, **August 16 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.
- •<u>LIFT Ladies In Fellowship Together</u>...Details of dates and events can be found on their LIFT Facebook page. You may also contact Jenny Bloomquist, Julia Hensch, Marian Edmund-Paulson or Stephanie Pim. All women are invited!
- •<u>Asbury Men's Group</u>....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 Linda Hampton, Mitch Hill, Dianne Homann, Damon Raker and Jo Winegar 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.