

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Traditional Service 8:30am
RootsKids 8:30 & 10:30
Adult Classes 9:30am
Praise Service 10:30am
Communion on October 5

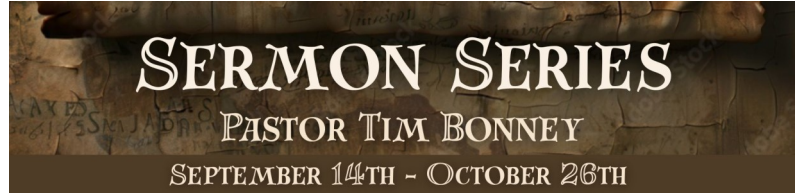
Good News

Our Mission:

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



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⚡⚡⚡ We Need the Seasons ⚡⚡⚡

Like many of you, I'm a life long Midwesterner. I've served churches in several midwestern states. One of the most important parts of living in the Midwest is the seasons. When I talk with friends who have moved to warmer climates, one of the things they have often told me, after a time, is that they miss the seasons.

Why miss the seasons? I believe everyone needs a change of pace, scenery, and activity. We all need the bright flowers of spring. We need the fall leaves. I guess we need winter, but I know we need summer!

We are moving into the next season and a new season of the church year. I hope you will join us in worship for the new sermon series starting on September 14. We also get to experience the excitement of new Bible studies, the return of the choir and many small groups, the holy days of Thanksgiving and before winter sets in, the beginning of Advent.

We are renewed by the changing seasons. And, it is a reminder that change is good!

Serving Christ Together, Pastor Tim



A Musical Feast - Sunday, September 7
Program 4:00pm • Meal 5:15pm
All Ages Welcome!

Everyone is invited to join us to Kick-Off Asbury's Fall Season with "A Musical Feast" featuring Marian Lee and student musicians from St. Ambrose University. Enjoy vocal, piano, guitar, flute and euphonium performances.

Complementary meal to follow in Connections Café featuring hamburgers, hot dogs, salad and dessert. If you can't make the program, please join us at 5:15 for a great meal and fellowship!



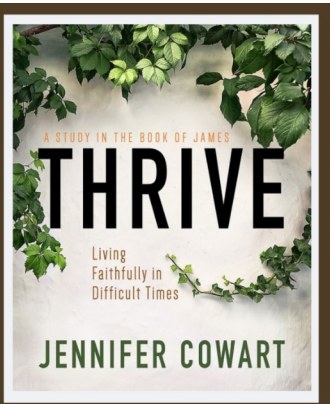
Church Council Meeting

Everyone is invited and welcome to attend Church Council on **Monday, September 15 at 6:30pm** in Connections Café.

Agenda will include discussion of the available Brown Street property, but no vote will be taken at this meeting.

Fall Adult Small Groups
will begin
A Study of the Book of James
Sunday, September 14th
Books can be found in
each Narthex.

See Linda Manning
to connect with a small group!



Are You a Creative Person?

The Worship Team would like to include two additional members to coordinate any decorating activities in our Sanctuary (i.e. seasonal decorations, banners, etc. for special events). The Worship Team usually meets once a quarter with Pastor Tim. If you are interested or have questions, please email Kent Mattoon at: ktoon1969@yahoo.com or call his cell at 712-333-5943.

Thank You!!

NEW GROUP FORMING! LOOM CRAFTERS - Monday October 13, 2025



Loom Crafters is a new monthly service opportunity. We will meet on the second Monday of the month from 6:00-8:00pm in Connections Café starting October 13. We will use our loom to make mats for the homeless. There is something for everyone to do! We need people to:

1. Flatten, fold & cut the bags
2. Tie bags together to make the weaving strips
3. Weave on the loom

Many hands make light work! If you have questions please contact Pam Thornton at 563-676-5619 or Jean Black at 563-676-1020. **We hope you will join us on October 13!**



SAVE-THE-DATE! SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH, NOON TO 4 PM **Rhythms of Rest: A Musician Explores Sabbath**

Please join us for a collaborative seminar with Dr. Michelle Crouch, Augustana College, as we explore work and rest and take a fresh look at Sabbath in today's world. Lunch will be served. Registration available soon.



Our next two articles will be about being prepared for emergencies such as power outages, storms and winter weather. We will give you brief suggestions here, but you can find more extensive information on the Parish Nurse Wall Display just outside of the office.

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A power outage happens, of course, when electrical power is lost unexpectedly. This may disrupt communications, water utilities and transportation. It may cause businesses, stores, gas stations, ATMs, banks, schools and other services to close. It may cause food spoilage. It may prevent you from using medical devices. Power outages are more likely to occur during severe weather events such as strong thunderstorms, and winter storms or other natural disasters. **Some things to do when a power outage happens include:**

- Keep freezers and refrigerators closed. A refrigerator will keep food cold for about 4 hours. A freezer will stay at a safe temperature for about 48 hours.
- Use generators outdoors and at least 20 feet away from building openings.
- Do not use a gas stove to heat your home.
- Unplug electronics to avoid damage from electrical urges.
- Make a plan for refrigerating medicines and powering medical devices.
- Keep electronic phones and electronic equipment charged before a power outage.
- Stay fire safe. Use flashlights, lanterns and other battery powered lights. Avoid use of candles or open flame.



THANK YOU to everyone who donated (or tried to donate) at the most recent blood drive. We collected 15 units of blood because of your dedication and willingness to show up and donate. Even if you were not eligible this time, please try again! **Your next opportunity will be Monday, November 10th.**



The next Foot Clinic is Monday, September 22. There are a couple of openings left.



Missions

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

Sept. Mission of the Month October 5 - Sign Up Now!

Check-in 1:00 to 2:00 pm

Walk begins at 2:15pm at The Caxton Building
Bethany for Children & Families
1701 River Drive Moline, IL

Contact Steve Sorensen or Jenny Bloomquist
if you want to walk with Asbury members.
Contact Marian Edmund-Paulson by 9/22
for a CROP T-Shirt!

To support CROP financially, please use the
envelope enclosed or go to Online Giving on our website
[JesusIsTheBridge.org](https://www.jesusisthebridge.org) and use the "Missions" option.
Thank You!



Sign Up at Asbury at the
Table in the West Narthex
or
Scan This Code to Sign Up



or go online @
<https://events.crophungerwalk.org>



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

THANK YOU for your generous support of Hope
at the Brickhouse in August.

**We received \$831 for the teachers to purchase
needed school supplies for the new year!**



SCAN ME

Stewards of Creation - Please join us at Fejervary Park Shelter #1 at 4:00pm for a picnic on **Sunday Sept. 14th** hosted by the Interfaith Creation Care of the Quad Cities. Meet people who represent other faith communities and are interested in sharing their creation care actions, bring a vegetarian dish to share and hear speakers focused on creation. RSVP helpful but not required. You can see the program and sign up to attend by scanning the QR code shown here or view it at the top of our Stewards of Creation Facebook page. Also see our Facebook to find out more about this new group, the picnic and Asbury's involvement!

•**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 office no later than **8:00am on Monday, September 15.**

•**Hannah Circle**....All women are invited for breakfast or lunch out on the second Tuesday of each month. On **Tuesday, September 9,** we will be enjoying an 11:30 lunch at Duck Creek Pancake House, 4405 State Street. Join us for fun conversation and fellowship!
"Friendship is God's special way of loving us through someone else." Proverbs 17:17

•**Rachel Circle** Meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Our next meeting is **Tuesday, September 9** at 6:30pm in the Connections Café. We will hear a presentation from John Pfautz about the music program he started in Africa. There will be some drums involved! Please come and join us in this fun experience. Everyone is welcome.

•**Card Ministry**....Next meeting will be on **Wednesday, September 10 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 lovely cards in the church office!

•**Craft & Chat**....Next meeting of this drop-in gathering is **Saturday, September 20 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**...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!

•**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 Lisa Delzell, Sue & Bob Gallagher, Mitch Hill, Valerie Maher, Debbie & Tom Stelk, and Dennis 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.**