

A word from the Pastor

Grace, Peace, and Wow, its Summer!!!

The Summer is upon us and it is proving to be very busy already. As you read this, Steph and I are in Sacramento with our Teens. Camp season is the culmination of a full years work and we need to all express our thankfulness to Cody and Sarah for all the work they did to make sure every kid who wanted to attend camp is able to do so.

I am excited to let you know that we are planning some new activities for this Summer and Fall. A schedule of events will be made available to you in the near future. Please be watching the bulletin and newsletter for all which will be taking place.

One new addition to our regular schedule is something I have been remiss in doing. The challenge has been to provide a program which is timely and of value to new people coming into the church. Gone are the day when a 12 week new member class is workable for most people. Lives are busy and schedules are hectic. So, with a few late nights, I have taken the core of my new member materials and condensed it down to a four week course. My desire is to offer this course during the four weeks of January, April, July, and October. These are generally the months with 5 Sundays which would provide the opportunity to receive new members on the 5th Sundays when we have a joint service. I will begin this four week course in July but on the 2nd Sunday since Sunday, July 2nd is a holiday for most people. I will teach this class during the Sunday School Hour each week on July 9th, 16th, 23rd, & 30th.

A new member class serves a wonderful purpose of offering a succinct overview of the foundational teaching of the Christian Faith. While this is of great value to new members it can be beneficial for long term members as well. I encourage everyone to join in a new member class from time to time, just to refresh your own understanding of the Faith.

The topics to be covered in the four week sessions are: **Session 1** God as Trinity – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit & Sin and Redemption. **Session 2** The Bible – Scriptures as the Word of God. **Session 3** The Gift of Baptism & The Gift of the Lord's Supper. **Session 4** The Life and Mission of the Church. Even if you do not desire to attend all four sessions, you may choose any one class just to learn and grow in that particular area of understanding.

The benefit of joining in such as class is that you will be able to connect with individuals entering into Asbury and this will make them feel welcomed. You will also be able to assist me in integrating them into the life of the church.

May God bless your Summer! Gotta go, I think the horses are calling!

Blessings,
Pastor Russ

Our Mission

Connect - to God and neighbor

Equip - to disciple

Send – to serve

Our Vision

A vibrant faith community that reaches out with the love of Christ to every generation for the transformation of the world.

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Sunday Worship:

9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Worship Services,
Sanctuary

10:00 a.m.

Sunday School for all
ages

Serving Schedule:

Greeters June 25th

9:00 a.m. Sammie Rogers, Mike Krueger

Ushers June 25th

H. Lane, Captain, M. Waldrip, B. Johnson, D. Hughes, K. Magness, J. Curry

Technology June 25th

Media Computer Carolyn K.

Sound Board 9:00 John B.
11:00 Anthony M.

Video Camera 9:00 Sunder P.
11:00 Jaci B.

Greeters July 2nd

9:00 a.m. Sammie Rogers, Mike Krueger

11:00 a.m. Marilyn Andjulis

Ushers July 2nd

D. Andjulis, Captain, B. Jones, G. Haynes, M. Krueger, T. Jones, M. Nelson, K. Lind

Technology July 2nd

Media Computer Anthony M.

Sound Board 9:00 Tim B.
11:00 Mike W.

Video Camera 9:00 Sunder P.
11:00 Jaci B.

Attendance:

June 11th, 2017:

9:00 66

11:00 74

Sunday School 47

June 18th, 2017:

9:00 70

11:00 76

Sunday School 46

Prayer Requests

PRAYERS FOR OUR HOMEBOUND AND THOSE IN NURSING HOMES:

Lois Holt
Gertrude Merrit
(Parks)

Mona Rogge
Wanda Stahl
Clarence Stahl

Mary Jo Hill
Joy Bolding

PRAYERS FOR MILITARY & DEPLOYED: Military & their families

PRAYERS FOR ASBURY FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Rev. Mark Anderson	Julie Graham	Pat McPherson	Roger Smith
Tammy Armstrong	Sarah Griffin	Paul Minton	Diane Thomas
Ashton Ballard	Anita Guinn	Amanda Moss	Ted Tuminowski
Maverick Ballard	Corinne Hefflin	Florenio Najar	Brenda Vicars
J W Bowen	Joe Henager	Jaynell Nash	Sandra Vickers
Brian Brokaw	Minnie Henager	Jerri Nickel	Jim Watkins
Laura Buckingham	Gene & Jimmie Jeanette Hewitt	Jim Nickel	Francis Wilbanks
Casey Cates	Andy Hoefler	Dustin Organ	Stella York
Jim Cornell	Tom Horton	Fred Pleasant	Sarah Young
Adele Cortez	Lacrisha Hurst	Molly Pruitt	Kaleb Zengher
Judy DeWeese	Kay Kingon	Lisa Ramirez	Nolan
Libby Ellrich	Bill Lamb, Sr.	Estella Ramos	Penny
Carrol Eustus	Freida Lane	Edna Reed	Persecuted Christians in Northeast Africa
Mark Farquhar	Ralph Lewis	Ervin Renacia	Pastors and churches in North Zambia
Dorothy & Syl Gaisbauer	Kennedy Linch	Harold & Janice Rhea	Family of Christopher Darden
Dallas Garrett	Adi Lopez	Gleychaliz Rivera	Family of Pat Patterson
Amalia Gonzales	Bill McPherson	Laura Sanchez	

From the Mailbag

Dear Asbury,

Thank you for the good wishes and recognition of me on graduation Sunday.

Zachary Dickerson

Lectionary Readings

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 25TH: GENESIS 21:8-21, PSALM 86:1-10, 16-17, ROMANS 6:1-11, MATTHEW 10:24-39

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 2ND: GENESIS 22:1-14, PSALM 13, ROMANS 6:12-23, MATTHEW 10:40-42

Announcements

Financial Update– Through June 18th:

2017 Year to Date Budget: \$175,144.25

2017 Year to Date Income: \$167,334.87

Ways of Giving

We have several ways of giving:

In the offering plate

On our webpage: www.asburyodessa.org

The giving kiosk in the narthex

Text giving to 432-231-0775

Automatic withdrawal (ACH)- Call Church office to set up

Laptop Computers Needed!!

Many of us have old computers laying around and we don't know what to do with them! There is a use for your old hardware.

K.S. Paul, who is a member of Asbury, is working directly with St. Paul Christian School in India. The school is in need of laptop computers and projectors for their classrooms.

While new equipment would be wonderful, if you have an old laptop laying around, it would be useful in the ministry to the children.

If you have an old laptop, you can bring it to the church office and we will work to get it to India where the children can use it.

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Pastor

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Adult Choir Practice

Wednesday night choir practice will be from 7:00-8:15 p.m. for the month of June.

Vacation Bible School



Who: 4 years to 5th Grade

Where: Asbury UMC
4001 E University Blvd
432-366-4455

When : July 17 to July 21
9 am to 12 pm

Pre-Register at

<https://vbspro.events/p/events/asburyodessa>

Asbury Upcoming Events

Sunday, June 25th, 2017:

8:45 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Prayer
9:00 a.m. Asbury Worship
10:00 a.m. Life Lessons
10:00 a.m. Coffee With Pastor Russ
11:00 a.m. Instrumental Praise Worship

Monday, June 26th, 2017:

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting

Tuesday, June 27th, 2017:

6:30-8:30 p.m. Tai Chi
7:00 p.m. VSC, #121

Wednesday, June 28th, 2017:

7:00 p.m. Choir

Thursday, June 29th, 2017:

9:00 a.m. Stitches
6:30 p.m. Tai Chi

Sunday, July 2nd, 2017:

8:45 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Prayer
9:00 a.m. Asbury Worship
10:00 a.m. Life Lessons
11:00 a.m. Instrumental Praise Worship

Monday, July 3rd, 2017:

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
Newsletter Day

Tuesday, July 4th, 2017:

Office Closed for Holiday

Thursday, July 6th, 2017:

9:00 a.m. Stitches
12:30-3:30 WTX Twilight Vision, #110
6:30 p.m. Tai Chi

Saturday, July 8th, 2017:

8-9:30 a.m. UMM Breakfast, F/H

Sunday, July 9th, 2017:

8:45 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. Prayer
9:00 a.m. Asbury Worship
10:00 a.m. Life Lessons
10:00 a.m. New Member Class
11:00 a.m. Instrumental Praise Worship



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