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CALENDAR

Sunday, August 3

8:00 a.m. Worship - In-Person and Online

8:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Summer Coffee and Treats, Hospitality Room

9:15 a.m. Worship - In-Person and Online

11:00 a.m. Non-Traditional Worship - In-Person and Online

Pastor Kip on vacation July 30–August 3 Pastor Matt on vacation August 8-11

Monday, August 4

Tuesday, August 5

9:30 a.m. Coffee Group, Hospitality Room

10:00 a.m. 75th Birthday Party Planning Meeting, Hospitality Room

10:15 a.m. Writer's Group, Room 106

11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Library

5:30 p.m. Leadership Team Meeting, Room 106

Wednesday, August 6

9:30 a.m. Mat Weaving, Room 106

5:30 p.m. Adult Small Group: *Upper Rooms Disciplines*, Library 6:30 p.m. Movie Night— Cheaper By the Dozen, Sanctuary

Thursday, August 7

Friday, August 8

3:00 p.m. Youth Serve Sioux Falls Weekend Begins (August 8-10)

Saturday, August 9

Sunday, August 10

8:00 a.m. Worship - In-Person and Online

8:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. All Church Breakfast, Fellowship Hall

9:15 a.m. Worship - In-Person and Online

11:00 a.m. Non-Traditional Worship - In-Person and Online

WORSHIP AT ASBURY

In-Person Worship: Join us for In-Person Sunday Worship with traditional services at 8:00 and 9:15 a.m. and non-traditional service at 11:00 a.m.

Online Worship: If you cannot join us in-person for Sunday worship, we would love to see you online for traditional worship at 8:00 and 9:15 a.m. or non-traditional worship at 11:00 a.m.

Share the invitation!

ONLINE: https://sfasbury.online.church FACEBOOK: https://sfasbury.online.church

groups/278047053749345

Asbury Film Festival 2025

Invite a friend to our summer series "Asbury Film Festival" where we look for God at the movies. We will examine practical life lessons and Biblical principles through the lens of a different film each week. The series begins on Sunday, July 20, and will run for five weeks. We will show each movie in the Sanctuary on Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. prior to our Sunday sermon – with the exception of our first film which will be shown Thursday, July 17.

We have a unique opportunity in week three. The director of Lost on a Mountain in Maine, Andrew Kightlinger, will share the message. Andrew is originally from Pierre, SD and a graduate of Augustana University. You will not want to miss out! Invite a friend!

It is not necessary to view the movies in order to appreciate the sermons, but you may find it helpful and enjoyable. WARNING: Please pay attention to the ratings. Not all the movies are appropriate for children – and some adults may find some of the language and situations offensive. View at your discretion.

Movie Nights:

July 17 (Thursday) – Brother Bear (G) 2003

July 23 – Past Lives (PG-13) 2023

July 30 – Lost on a Mountain in Maine (PG) 2024

August 6 – Cheaper by the Dozen (G) 1950

August 13 – Wild Robot (PG) 2024

Popcorn will be provided FREE. Pop will be available for a donation to support camperships.

Join us for the movie nights! Join us for worship! This is a great opportunity to invite a friend or neighbor!

UPCOMING EVENTS

75th Birthday Party Planning Meeting: Tuesday, August 5, 10:00 a.m., Hospitality Room. Please come help us plan Asbury's 75th Birthday party. All are welcome to help.

Mat Weaving: Wednesday, August 6 and 20, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Room 005. Come make Plarn Sleeping Mats for Midwest Mission Distribution Center (MMDC). Plarn is plastic yarn made out of plastic grocery bags. The Sleeping Mats are sent internationally and locally. They are great for those who need a barrier between them and the hard ground. They have been sent for disaster relief, for the homeless, and for those who need temporary sleeping arrangements. Please sign up in the Mission Room (Room 005). Questions? Please contact Rennae at 605-261-2998.

Youth Serve Sioux Falls Weekend: Friday, August 8-Sunday, August 10. Middle and high school students - join us August 8-10 for a weekend of serving others and making an impact in our city! We'll stay at church for the whole weekend, partner with local organizations, serve in the community, and grow together in worship and fun. At the end of our time together, we'll celebrate by hosting an all-church breakfast in the Fellowship Hall from 8:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sign up here. Please reach out to Emily Lawrence, Director of Next Generation Ministries, at emily@sfasbury.org with any questions.

All-Church Breakfast: Sunday, August 10, 8:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Hosted by Asbury Youth. This is a time to support our students and share a meal together as we hear about their weekend serving the community. Everyone is welcome - bring a friend and come hungry! Free Will Donation to benefit the fall youth trip to DAKyouth. DAKyouth is an annual event in which students gather from around the conference to learn about leadership, discipleship, and service. There are engaging speakers, workshops, worship, and entertainment for students.

Asbury Ceiling Tile Project Work Days: Wednesday, August 13 and Saturday, August 16, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or 1:00-4:00

p.m. We need people of varying skill levels to take down tile and dispose of them; move tile from the Fellowship Hall to the rooms we are replacing in; cut and measure tile; physically place the tile in the ceiling. Water and snacks will be provided. Workers are encouraged to bring gloves, eye protection, etc. Sign up here or just show up. Questions? Contact Carly Ellsworth at carly.mccuen@hotmail.com or 402-730-7701.

Asbury Knitting Group: Tuesday, August 19, 9:30 a.m., Room 106. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, we have a new group for you! A Knitting Group is being formed to make hats and scarves for Midwest Street Medicine here in Sioux Falls. An organizational meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 19 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 106 or contact Judy Hines at judyhines1943@gmail.com or 605-212-8033 to get started!

United By Hope: Sunday August 24, 10:00 a.m., SD Military Alliance (1600 W Russell St). All Sioux Falls United Methodist Churches will be United By Hope in one worship time at one location on Sunday, August 24, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. Bring friends and neighbors for inspiring worship, shared community, and lunch at the Alliance. The morning will include: Backpack Blessing for Students/Teachers; Baptisms / Baptism Remembrance, Offering for Hungry Hearts - H.H. provides funds so every student in Sioux Falls Public Schools can have lunch; Complimentary Lunch following worship; Sermon by Bishop Lanette Plambeck. **NO SUNDAY WORSHIP** at Asbury and other United Methodist Churches.

For a complete calendar, please refer to our website <u>sfasbury.org</u> and click on Announcements. To receive the newsletter by email or mail, please contact Roxie at <u>rpogany@sfasbury.org</u> or 605-332-8861.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August Mission Project: Our August mission project with Midwest Missions Distribution Center (MMDC) is collecting items for Student Kits. Cloth bags and shopping lists are available on the end of each pew or on the table outside the sanctuary doors starting August 3. Feel free to pick up a bag and do the shopping or make a \$10 donation and we'll do the shopping for you. Each kit includes the following: 3 notebooks (1 subject spiral 8"x10 1/2"), 1 ruler (12" long with metric), 6 pencils (unsharpened), 1 pencil sharpener, 1 pencil eraser (2" or larger), 1 box 12 colored pencils, 1 box 24 crayons, and 1 pair student scissors.

Farmer's Market Is Back!: The Missions Team is once again hosting a Farmer's Market on Sundays before and after worship through September. Gardeners are invited to bring their extra produce and others can stop by and pick up something to take home and enjoy. A freewill offering will benefit our upcoming Rice and Soy Blessing Bag Packing event with Midwest Missions Distribution Center. The packing event will be at Asbury on September 21...watch for details.

Temporary Nursery Location: The nursery remodel project has begun! Childcare has been relocated to Room 129 in the Children's Wing.

Host Summer Coffee and Treats Fellowship Time: Sign up to host a fellowship time in the Hospitality Room from 8:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Provide a treat and help clean up afterwards. The sign up sheet is on the island in the Hospitality Room.

Thank You, Sewers!: A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who has been sewing cloth school bags for our MMDC Student Kit project! We are getting close to our goal of 200 bags -only need 41 more bags! We'll be filling these bags with school supplies for MMDC (Midwest Mission Distribution Center) in August. Sewers are invited to pick up a pattern and fabric outside the church office or here's a link to the pattern: https://www.midwestmission.org/files/ugd/7dcc67_57803f92a88040c5935b82b89e73aeaf.pdf. Questions? Please contact Cindy Nelson at cynthianelson1@sio.midco.net or call 605-351-2818.

Dakotas Conference Camps: Registration for the 2025 camping season is open at <u>dakcamps.org</u>. Check it out online. Asbury has a tradition of paying half the early-bird registration fee for our children, youth, and adults attending a Dakotas Conference Camp! Early Bird Deadline was April 30. Asbury's Church Code is 120181CA.

Serve at Asbury!: There are a number of ways to experience life-change with Christ by serving others at Asbury by getting involved in one of Asbury's Ministry Teams! Opportunities involve hospitality ministries such as ushers and greeters, music ministries, discipleship ministries, digital ministries, online service hosts, and more. If you're curious about volunteer opportunities or would like to get involved, checkout our <u>online serve card</u> today!

Asbury Facebook Campus: Join us on the Asbury Facebook Campus to stay connected with Asbury all week long as we gather online for Asbury staff check-ins, volunteer resources, Bible studies, and much, much more. The Asbury Facebook Campus is our primary hub for online ministry and you are invited to join the conversation by visiting https://www.facebook.com/groups/278047053749345 today!

Funeral Coordinator Needed: Responsibilities include: visiting with the family, the pastor and the funeral home to determine what the family wants for lunch after the funeral; finding workers; and calling volunteers to provide cakes, bars or cookies for the lunch. Questions? Please call Linda Maxwell (336-7137) or Linda Marquardt (334-5584). If interested, please contact the church office or Pastor Kip. This is a volunteer position.

HyVee Gift Cards at Asbury - Help Christ's Mission!: HyVee gift cards may be purchased on Sunday mornings in the Hospitality Room. See Scott Roberts. You can also stop by the church office to get gift cards or mail a check and gift cards will be mailed to you. 5% of all sales come back to Asbury. These funds are used to fund mission projects throughout the year. Thank you for supporting this program.

Sunday Worship By Phone: Each week, in addition to our online services, people will have the opportunity to hear our weekly sermons and announcements without needing any sort of login or special code by dialing Asbury's Sunday Worship by Phone number at 605-221-1769. Each week's recording will be available by Sunday evening and we hope that it will serve as a meaningful point of connection for those unable to join us for our online services.

Asbury Staff on Facebook Live: Join a member of the Asbury Staff Monday-Friday at 10:00 a.m. on https://www.facebook.com/groups/278047053749345.

Prayer Requests and Prayer Chain: To submit a prayer request or to become part of the prayer chain, please fill out a Connection Card located in the pew or contact Pastor Matt at matt@sfasbury.org or Pastor Kip at kip@sfasbury.org.

OUR PURPOSE:

To experience the life-changing love and grace of Jesus Christ.

OUR VISION:

To be a community that is experiencing life-change and growth because of Jesus.

OUR MISSION:

To provide life-changing experiences with Christ by loving and accepting all, nurturing discipleship, and serving others.

Online Giving Available

Giving online is easy and allows you to make a one time contribution or set up automatic recurring contributions and view your online giving history. Simply follow these steps: Go to <u>sfasbury.org</u> and click on "<u>Give Now</u>" then Click on the "Create Profile." Follow the onscreen instructions. Questions? Contact <u>accounting@sfasbury.org</u> or 605-332-8861.