



Please join us THIS WEEK AT ASBURY

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CALENDAR

Sunday, August 24

10:00 a.m. **United By Hope Worship at Alliance (1600 W Russell St)**

Monday, August 25

Tuesday, August 26

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

10:00 a.m. 75th Birthday Party Meeting, Room 106

11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Library

Wednesday, August 27

6:00 p.m. Adult Small Group: *Upper Rooms Disciplines*, Library

6:00 p.m. Children and Youth Leader Launch, Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir, Sanctuary

Thursday, August 28

Friday, August 29

Saturday, August 30

Sunday, August 31

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**

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://www.facebook.com/groups/278047053749345>

UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

75th Birthday Party Planning Meeting: Tuesday, August 26, 10:00 a.m., Room 106. Please come help us plan Asbury's 75th Birthday party. All are welcome to help.

Adult Choir Begins: Wednesday, August 27, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary. All are welcome to join the choir.

Office Closed: Monday, September 1

Midweek Meal: Wednesday, September 3, 5:15-6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Join us for our Wednesday night kick-off with a meal for the whole family to enjoy! For a free-will donation, let Asbury take meal planning off your plate and put it into our kitchen! The menu is hotdogs, so bring the kids and join us!

Joysingers Choir Begins: Wednesday, September 3, 6:00-6:45 p.m., Room 130. Joysingers Choir is for children in Kindergarten-5th grade. Choir Director: Julie Ashworth

Children's Wednesday Night Activities Begins: Wednesday, September 3, 6:45-7:30 p.m. These weekly gatherings will include faith-building games, stories, group discussions, mission projects, etc. Through it all children will grow in faith and in relationship with one another!

- sprouts (Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade) in Room 129.
- SpArK! (3rd, 4th and 5th grade) in Room 128.

Youth Group Begins: Wednesday, September 3, 6:00-8:00 p.m., Rooms 002-004. All students in grades 6-12 will join together every Wednesday for friendship, discipleship and service together! Small Groups are the core of youth ministries here at Asbury. This is a format in which students gather with their peers, along with adults who care about their lives and their faith. In these groups students explore concepts relating to life, faith, service, and issues teens care about.

United Women In Faith: Thursday, September 4, 12:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Our September meeting will be a pot luck. Please bring a dish to share. The program will be remembering Asbury's 75th year. Bring your memories to share. All women are invited.

By My Works: Saturday, September 6, 8:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall. All men are invited to join us for breakfast and fellowship.

Caring Connections - Fellowship for Women of All Ages: Sunday, September 7, 10:15-11:00 a.m., Library. Caring Connections is kicking off its ninth year! If you've never joined us, consider checking it out! As always, no preparation, drop in when you are able, fellowship group vs Bible Study vibe, no outside group commitments. Just a casual group of women gathering around the table sharing life, developing relationships and growing together in faith. Join us, there is always room around the table! Leaders: Judy Hines, Mary Millikan, Dawn Rice, Barb Roozen and Bonnie Shinn

Room 106 Adult Class: Sunday, September 7, 10:15-11:00 a.m., Room 106. The Room 106 Class will begin the year with a couple lessons called “Why? Because I Said So” by Lloyd Petersen. The group will pick a book study together to finish out September. Please join us!.

Monday Morning Bible Study: Monday, September 15, 10:15-11:30 a.m., Room 106. Join us for six Mondays as we study the newly revised Social Principles of the United Methodist Church. We’ll explore our church’s stance on crucial topics facing our world today. Books will soon be available in the office for \$10.00 (check or exact change, please).

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

Asbury’s 75th Birthday Celebration—Join Us In September!

This September, Asbury will celebrate 75 years of ministry! We invite you to join us in thanking God for faithfulness, honoring those who helped found and form our church, and looking forward with joy and hope.

Each Sunday will feature worship, music, food, and fun activities as we reflect on our history and embrace our future. In addition, our Missions Team will collect 75 items each week for local charities—let’s give generously!

September 7 – Kickoff Sunday

We will celebrate with birthday cake after each service. Inflatables for kids (and kids at heart) are on the north lawn from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. We will collect **75 towels** for the Bishop Dudley Hospitality House.

September 14 – Family Fun

We will serve B&G Milky Way ice cream all morning. Mr. Twister will entertain us between services. We will collect **75 brown paper lunch bags** for the St. Francis House.

September 21 – Missions & Music

Donuts will be served between services. Join the Missions Team for a Rice and Soy Blessing Bags Event in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00–11:30 a.m. Julie Ashworth and the Children’s Choir will sing at the 9:15 a.m. service. Former Genesis and Joysingers members are invited to sing along! Free family photos will be offered in the Hospitality Room from 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The photos will be distributed digitally to families. We’ll collect **75 combs and brushes** for the Union Gospel Mission.

September 28 – Celebration Finale

We’ll wrap up with an all-church lunch at 12:15 p.m. featuring catered chicken, birthday cake, and drinks—please bring a side to share. (There will be NO oven space for warm sides. If you have a warm side it must be in a crock pot.) Boyd Bristow will lead the Entry Band at the 11:00 a.m. service. Inflatables return from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. on the north lawn. We will collect **75 cans of hearty soup** for Feeding South Dakota.

Please come share your memories and celebrate Asbury’s impact in your life. Invite former members, neighbors, and friends—everyone is welcome!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Put Your Faith in Action: Twelve volunteers are invited to travel to Midwest Mission Distribution Center in Jefferson, IA on October 5-7, leaving Sunday afternoon and returning Tuesday evening. Volunteer options include packing and verifying kits, sewing, cleaning medical equipment, sorting/organizing donations, weaving mats and repairing bikes and

sewing machines. For more details, check out the information sheet on the ushers table or contact Cindy Nelson at cynthianelson1@sio.midco.net or 605-351-2818.

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. 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.

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! 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.

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 [online serve card](#) 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 sfasbury.org and click on “Give Now” then Click on the “Create Profile.” Follow the onscreen instructions. Questions? Contact accounting@sfasbury.org or 605-332-8861.