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CALENDAR

Sunday, November 16

8:00 a.m. Worship - In-Person and Online 9:15 a.m. Worship - In-Person and Online 10:15 a.m. Adult Small Group: *Why?*, Room 106

10:15 a.m. Caring Connections (Women's Fellowship Group), Library

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

3:00 p.m. Financial Peace University, Library

Monday, November 17

10:15 a.m. Small Group Mondays: Taste and See, Room 106

6:30 p.m. Handbells, Room 106

Tuesday, November 18

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

11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Library

Wednesday, November 19

9:30 a.m. Mat Weaving, Room 005

5:15 p.m. Midweek Meal, Fellowship Hall 6:00 p.m. Joysingers Choir, Room 130 6:00 p.m. Youth Group, Room 001-004

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

6:45 p.m. sprouts (K-2nd Grade), Room 129 6:45 p.m. SpArK! (3rd-5th Grade), Room 128

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir, Chapel

Thursday, November 20

Friday, November 21

Saturday, November 22

Sunday, November 23

8:00 a.m. Worship - In-Person and Online
9:15 a.m. Worship - In-Person and Online
10:15 a.m. Adult Small Group: Why?, Room 106

10:15 a.m. Caring Connections (Women's Fellowship Group), Library

11:00 a.m. Non-Traditional Worship - In-Person and Online 12:00 p.m. All-Church Charge Conference, Fellowship Hall

3:00 p.m. Financial Peace University, Library

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mat Weaving: Wednesday, November 19, 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.

Midweek Meal: Wednesday, November 19, 5:15-6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Join us for 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! Bring the kids and join us! Menu: Barbecue Sandwiches

"Mental Health According to Paul" - Rev. Dr. Joel Allen to preach: Sunday, November 23, 8:00, 9:15 and 11:00 a.m. Invite a friend to worship with us as Rev. Dr. Joel Allen will share the message, "Mental Health According to Paul" based on Philippians 4:1-9. Joel is the Director of the McGovern Center and Professor of Religion and Philosophy at Dakota Wesleyan University, Mitchell, SD. Joel will bring along a unique Bible – the last volume of the St. John's Bible which includes the letters of Paul. The St. John's Bible is the first completely handwritten and illuminated Bible to be commissioned since the invention of the printing press. DWU is the owner of a limited Heritage Edition of the St. John's Bible. Invite a friend to experience this work of art – this Word of God.

All-Church Charge Conference: Sunday, November 23, 12:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall. Our District Superintendent Brandon Vetter will lead the meeting. You can expect to gather for devotional thoughts, some conversation, information about Conference and Denominational matters, and updates. We will vote on necessary Charge Conference items – such as: clergy compensation with housing exclusion, leadership team/nominations, any certification of candidates, budget items, etc. Full members are able to vote on all matters. Please join us.

No Children or Youth Activities: Wednesday, November 26

No Adult Small Group: Upper Rooms Disciplines: Wednesday, November 26

No Adult Choir: Wednesday, November 26

Office Closed: November 27 and 28

Star of Hope Worship: Wednesday, December 3, 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary. You're invited to join us for our annual "Star of Hope" worship on Wednesday, December 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. We will gather in the Sanctuary for a time of worship. Pastor Krista Ducker will offer a message of hope. Krista is a United Methodist pastor serving as a chaplain at Avera. Krista and her husband Jim are new to Asbury. The approaching holidays bring a sense of "hustle and bustle," yet there also seems to be a need to pause to accommodate grief – past and present. This service is intentional in addressing those who may be feeling a sense of loss – loss of a job, a relationship, a loved one. Grief and loss takes many forms. We hope and pray that this worship will create a time to reflect and accept where we are this year while offering hope, peace, joy, and love.

United Women in Faith: Thursday, December 6, 12:30 p.m. The United Women in Faith will meet for our Christmas Party. We will have pizza (free will offering) and a white elephant gift exchange. Our program will be "Defining and Living Love", presented by Rennae Petersen. All are welcome to come join the celebration.

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

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

Youth Collecting for Hungry Hearts: The Asbury Youth are collecting shelf stable breakfasts and snacks for kids for Hungry Hearts. You are invited to partner with the students in collecting these items. Some examples include: Mini Muffins (pre-packaged); Granola Bars, Dried Fruit, Applesauce Pouches; Trail Mix; Whole-grain Crackers or Goldfish; Pop-Tarts or toaster Pastries; 100% Juice Boxes; and Flavored Water Pouches. Please place items in the shopping cart outside Emily's Office (Room 001) by November 19. There is a complete list of items on the shopping cart.

We're Hiring! Director of Children's Ministries: Asbury UMC is seeking a passionate, creative leader to help kids experience God's love and grow in faith! The Interim Director of Children's Ministries will guide our children's programs, support families, and lead amazing volunteers in creating fun, Christ-centered experiences – from Sunday mornings to engaging events. If you love building relationships, nurturing young hearts, and helping families grow together in faith, we'd love to meet you!

- Full-time, exempt position—30 hours per week
- Reports to Director of Next Generation Ministries
- Send statement of faith, resume and cover letter to <u>info@sfasbury.org</u>.

Learn more about Asbury's mission to create life-changing experiences with Jesus Christ by loving and accepting all, nurturing discipleship, and serving others. A full job description can be found at: sfasbury.org/announcements.

Asbury Leadership Team Accepting Applications: Asbury's Leadership Team is accepting applications from anyone wanting to join the team beginning in January 2026. You can learn more about the Leadership Team and download the application at <u>sfasbury.org/announcements</u>. You must be an Asbury member to serve, and applications are due on Thursday, November 20. For any additional questions please contact Pastor Matt at <u>matt@sfasbury.org</u>.

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.