

## **Asbury Banners for the Seasons of the Christian Year**

Have you noticed the inspiring banners hanging in our Sanctuary? Do you know who made these banners? Have you noticed that the banners change throughout the year? What are the seasons of the Christian year and which banners are hung during each season?

Asbury is blessed to have a very talented artist, church member, Janet Kerchner, who has designed and created many inspiring banners that highlight the different Christian seasons.

Read on for a description of the different Christian seasons and the banners that are hung during the season.

**Advent** (First Sunday on or after November 27 through sunset December 24) – A Blue Banner with Candle Images

**Christmas Season** (From sunset December 24 through January 6) A white on white 3 dimensional and quilted/sculptured banner with an angel up high and the crèche below with the Christ child and a lamb.

**Season after Epiphany** (From January 7 through the day before Lent) - A large green and black banner with 3 crown images on it to represent the Magi.

**Lent** (From the 7<sup>th</sup> Wednesday before Easter to sunset Easter Eve) – 2 different purple banners. One is a representation of silhouettes of people bearing their own crosses with a larger silhouette of the Christ. The other is a dogwood tree with Resurrection in the words.

**Easter Season** (From sunset Easter Eve through the day of Pentecost) - The Easter banner looks like a stained-glass window and has a dove in the middle area.

**Season after Pentecost** (from the day after Pentecost (the eighth Sunday of Easter) through the day before Advent) - The Pentecost banner is a red banner with flames and clouds with a ray of light shining on a dove descending.