

Sunday, January 20, 2019 at 8:30 & 11 am

WELCOME

to *Asbury First United Methodist Church*

We are a *caring*,
Christ-centered *community*;
Our hearts and doors are *open to all*.

We invite you to join us in *worship*,
in learning about *faith*,
and in loving our *neighbor*.

We are Asbury First,
and we are glad you're here.

AN INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Welcome visitors! We invite you to sign the ritual of friendship pad during the service. Please complete a visitor card, found in the pews, and take it to the welcome desk in the Welcoming Hall, where we have a small gift for you. Informational brochures are available in the Welcoming Hall. If you're interested in becoming a part of our community, please check the appropriate column on the ritual of friendship pad, or contact any pastor. Again, a deep WELCOME!

Worship Aids: Large-print bulletins, Bibles, and hymnals are available from the ushers. Braille hymnals and ASL interpreters are available with one week's advance notice to the church office, (585) 271-1050, x103. A hearing loop in the sanctuary is available for those who have hearing aids with T switches; you may also request earphones from the ushers that will aid you in hearing the service if needed. CDs of our Sunday morning services or just the sermon may be borrowed or purchased; call or stop by the office and speak with the receptionist during the week.

Prayer Request Cards are in the pew racks. We invite you to place prayer requests in the offering plates, so that our pastors and the Intercessory Prayer Group may pray for you. Your prayer request is confidential.

Coffee Fellowship: You are invited to enjoy coffee, tea, or cocoa and conversation every Sunday, 9:30 am to 11:30 am, at Heavenly Grounds in the Gathering Center. Treats may also be available.

Giving to Asbury First: Donations to Asbury First may be made during the service by placing your gift (cash or check) in the offering plate when it is passed. You may also give online at www.asburyfirst.org. Questions? Contact David Strong at (585) 271-1050 x110 or dstrong@asburyfirst.org.

As a community of faith, we believe that children are sacred gifts and they are welcome in our worship. We recognize that children can become restless during worship. Excellent nursery and childcare is offered. Children's bulletins are available. Please see an usher for more information.

After the service we welcome you to sit in the chancel choir pews to meditate and listen to the organ postlude.

We kindly ask that as you enter the Sanctuary you turn off your cell phone.

Worship on Radio: Each Sunday morning from 11 am–noon you can tune your radio to WYSL 1040 AM or 92.1 FM to hear today's worship service. You may also go to www.WYSL1040.com and hear audio of the service.

LIVE & Archived Worship on your Computer: We offer live video streaming of the 11 am service on our website at www.asburyfirst.org. A video archive of past services is also available. We welcome your suggestions on how we may improve these offerings.

Reconciliation Statement: Asbury First United Methodist Church prayerfully strives to live in its community with open hearts, open minds and open doors. Affirming that each person is of sacred worth, we seek to be a fully inclusive church, believing that all people are God's children, created in God's image, loved and blessed equally by God. It is our purpose to be a Reconciling Congregation. This means extending hospitality and encouraging full participation of all, regardless of age, race, national origin, gender, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, marital status or family structure, education or economic background, and physical or mental ability. We recognize that we hold a variety of opinions. We do not seek to erase our differences, but to journey together in faith toward greater understanding and mutual respect. We believe that reconciliation to God and to one another is central to our mission and ministry.

Our Mission Statement

Love God and neighbor.
Live fully.
Serve all.
Repeat.

Sound Bite

Love. Live. Serve. Repeat.

WORSHIP SERVICE

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany • 8:30 and 11 am • January 20, 2019

As the community gathers, may the music of the prelude draw your hearts and minds to God.

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

PRELUDE “Trumpet Overture” — Henry Purcell

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP *All are invited to read the bold-faced type; the lay reader will read the unbolded type.*

This is the day of new beginnings.

We give thanks for newness of life.

Today, God dwells with us.

We celebrate that we are God’s beloved people.

Today, all things are made new.

Let us worship God, the alpha and omega.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #64 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

*GREETING & PASSING
OF THE PEACE

*GREETING HYMN #114 “Many Gifts, One Spirit” (v. 1)

PRAYER OF
CONFESSION

Ever present, ever loving God,

we come to this day mindful of the things we have done
and left undone in the past.

**Forgive the times when we did not reach out in love
to the least of your sons and daughters.**

Forgive us, O God,

when we closed our eyes

to the sight of people

living in rags on the street;

when we stopped our ears

to cries of those who are lonely;

* *please stand, in body
or in spirit*

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when we turned away from the sight
of swollen, malnourished bodies.

Help us to see you in everyone we meet.

Help us to be your hands, feet and voice in this world.

**May we work for a world where no one is a stranger,
and where all will be welcomed into your glory.**

SILENT CONFESSION

All are invited to offer their personal prayers of silent confession.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the Good News: Our God is a God of compassion and love,
ready to forgive all who truly repent and desire to live a life of justice and love.
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*GLORIA

TUNE: HYMN #102

**All glory be to God, all praise and thanks be given;
Whose Son and Spirit reign as one in highest Heaven;
Our one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.**

TO HEAR THE WORD

SCRIPTURE
MATTHEW
25:31-40

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

ANTHEM "Whatever You Do" — early American Melody, Arranged by Carl Johengen;
Words by Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

"Whatever you do to the least ones of these,
I tell you in truth that you do unto me!"
Lord Jesus, you taught us! May we learn anew
That when we serve others, we also serve you.

When poor, waiting children pray hunger will end,
When those long-forgotten cry out for a friend,
When thirsty ones whisper, "O Lord, where are you?" —
We hear, in their longing, that you're calling, too.

In prisons and jails, Lord, we find a surprise;
We see you in people whom others despise.
At hospital bedsides we offer a prayer
And find, when we visit the sick, you are there.

When we reach to others in flood-stricken lands
And offer our hearts there, and offer our hands —
We notice, Lord Jesus, the gift of your grace:
We see, in the crowds of the suffering, your face.

"Lord, when did we see you?" Your teaching is clear
That when we serve others, we're serving you here.
And when your church heeds you and helps those in pain,
Then out of the chaos, hope rises again.

CHILDREN'S TIME *All children are invited forward at this time and may bring their prayer requests
and offerings.*

LORD'S PRAYER **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the
kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*HYMN #402 “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian” (vv. 1, 4)
During the singing of this hymn at the 11 am worship service, children four years old through fifth grade are invited to exit for Enrichment Time.

SERMON The Question of Life

PASTORAL PRAYER

TO RENEW COMMITMENT

INVITATION TO
DISCIPLESHIP,
MEMBERSHIP,
AND COMMITMENT

Our Creative God endows us with the gifts of time, talent, and treasure. Within this bulletin you will find invitations to enrich your faith journey and enhance your commitment. We invite you to prayerfully consider these opportunities. We ask that you sign and pass the ritual of friendship pad from the center aisle down the pew. Prayer request cards are available in the pew racks and may be placed in the offering plate as it is passed, or they may be placed in the wooden boxes located in the Narthex and Welcoming Hall.

OFFERTORY “Walk in Jerusalem” — African American Spiritual, Arranged by Rollo A. Dilworth
8:30 AM

I want to be ready to walk in Jerusalem jus' like John.
I want to be ready. Are you ready?
Are you ready to walk in Jerusalem jus' like John?
John said the city was jus' four square and he declared he'd meet me there.
That John, O John, what do you say? I'll be there in the comin' day.
I want to be ready to walk in Jerusalem jus' like John.

OFFERTORY “Blessed Jesus, at Your Word”— Franklin Ashdown;
II AM Words by Tobias Clausnitzer, 17th c., Translated by Catherine Winkworth

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word
We are gathered all to hear You.
Let our hearts and souls be stirred
Now to seek and love and fear You,
By Your teachings, sweet and holy,
Drawn from earth to love You solely.

All our knowledge, sense, and sight
Lie in deepest darkness shrouded
Till Your Spirit breaks our night
With the beams of truth unclouded.
You alone to God can win us;
You must work all good within us.

Gracious Savior, good and kind,
Light of Light, from God proceeding,
Open now our heart and mind;
Help us by Your Spirit's pleading.
Hear the cry Your Church now raises;
Hear and bless our prayers and praises.

*DOXOLOGY #95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*PRAYER OF
DEDICATION In gratitude for your many blessings,
we bring our gifts before you now.
**May our offerings be signs
of your new heaven and new earth—
signs that all people will soon live with you
in justice and peace. Amen.**

TO DISPERSE IN MISSION

*RECESSIONAL HYMN #555 "Forward Through the Ages"

*BENEDICTION

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RESPONSE

POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune" — Henry Purcell

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PARTICIPANTS
IN THE SERVICE

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Stephen Cady
Liturgists: Rev. Mike Mullin, Rev. Jackie Nelson, Rev. Kathy Thiel
Lay Reader: Al Swett (8:30 am), Christy Peck (11 am)
Organist: David Strong
Director, Asbury Singers (8:30 am): Brian Bohrer
Director, Sanctuary Choir (11 am): Dr. Carl Johengen
Quartet: Elizabeth Phillips, Susan Huppé, Dan McInerney, Jordan Bachmann
Acolyte: Caroline McGraw (11 am)
Crucifer: Charlie Bohrer (8:30 am)
Audio Operator: Connor Nelson (11 am)
Video Operator: Trevor Nelson (11 am)
Head Ushers: Dick and Nancy Adamus (8:30 am);
Brian White and Tim Lamica (11 am)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

The flowers on the altars are given to the glory of God and in gratitude for past and present Church members.

The flowers on the Children's Altar are in honor of the birth of Sanai Ava Samuel born on January 12, 2019 in Jacksonville, FL. Len and Nancy Davidow are the proud great grandparents.

If you would like to place flowers on the altar, please contact Jeanne Ristau at (585) 223-4356, preferably two weeks ahead of requested date.

We offer our prayers and concern for all those who are ill at home, hospitalized, or in hospice care. As of Wednesday, known to be hospitalized are Bob Erskine and Nancy Miner at Strong Memorial Hospital, and Bob Trout at Rochester General Hospital.

If you are aware of anyone who is ill and in need of a pastoral visit, please call the church office at (585) 271-1050.

We invite you to pray for members of our church families known to be serving in the military:

US Air Force: Sgt Charles Key; Amn Patrick "Rick" Smith.

US Army: SGT Christopher M. Birdsall; CPT Nathan Lubba; MAJ Matthew Ristau; PV2 Kevin Keehn; SGT Christian T. Dahl; CPT Scott Moncrief.

US Marine Corps: LT Craig R. Waldman; SGT John Lyons.

US Navy: IS2 Philip Anderson; LT Adam Kreutter; CAPT Jeffrey A. Ward; PO2 Jacob Staples.

US Army Reserves: SGT Wesley Regnier*; SGT Michael DiPaola.

*deployed

If you would like to add the name of a member or friend to our military listing, or if you know someone on this list who is no longer serving in the military, please email communications@asburyfirst.org, or call (585) 271-1050, x109.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

2019 Mini VBS – 5 Senses

Please join us February 19, 20, and 21 for an amazing time using our senses as we explore a Bible story about Jesus. We will meet each morning from 9 am to noon. During the week the children will be learning about our five senses in stations like cooking, games, music, science, and story. This Camp is open to everyone ages 4 through 5th grade. We are planning a special field trip on Thursday to the Rochester Museum and Science Center. You may register online at www.asburyfirst.org/get-involved/children-youth. For more information, contact Paula Dugan, (585) 271-1050 x111 or pdugan@asburyfirst.org.

Children's Activity Bags

We invite the children to take activity bags as they enter the Sanctuary. There are two bags: one for children ages 3–6, and another for 7 and up. Please return bags after the service.

Is Children's Ministry Meeting Your Child's Special Needs?

As a part of our commitment to be open to all, we want to make sure we are making as many accommodations as possible in our children's ministry. Please contact Paula Dugan at (585) 271-1050 x111 or pdugan@asburyfirst.org if there is any way our children's ministry can be more welcoming to you and your child.

Calling all Snowbirds!

Children's ministry would like to start a pen pal program where children exchange letters with members of our congregation who leave the area for the winter months. If you would like to participate, please contact Paula Dugan at pdugan@asburyfirst.org or call (585) 271-1050, x111.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Visitor Delay

Due to a change in the communications position, there will be a delay in schedule for the next issue of The Visitor. We will keep you updated on the new delivery date as soon as we are able. Thank you for your patience and interest in this publication. For more information, contact Sarah Brubaker at sbrubaker@asburyfirst.org.

Boiler Update

We met our goal of having one of the two new boilers running in time for Christmas! Many thanks to those who worked so hard to meet this goal. The second boiler will be brought on-line this month, and the old boiler turned off and decommissioned. It will be removed as part of the planned work this spring and summer. If you have any questions, please contact Chuck Hanrahan at chuck.hanrahan@gmail.com or David Strong at dstrong@asburyfirst.org or (585) 271-1050 x110.

MLK Day 2019 Community Celebration

Dr. Cady will be the keynote speaker for the Martin Luther King Jr. Day 2019 Community Celebration. Join the commemoration of Dr. King's legacy at 9 am on Monday, January 21 at Kodak Hall at the Eastman Theatre, 20 Gibbs Street.

Update on stewardship campaign:

We've reached 93.5% of our pledge goal. Please help us get to the finish line! If you have not submitted your pledge, you can find a pledge card in the Welcome Pads in the pews, in the information rack in the Welcoming Hall or online at www.asburyfirst.org/BetterTogether. Thank you!

Inform to Transform 10

The Leadership Training Day run by the Genesee Valley District of the Upper New York Conference of the United Methodist Church will be Saturday, February 2 from 8:30 am to 3 pm. Register by January 28 for the \$20 event. For workshop descriptions or if you have any questions, please contact Betsy O'Flynn at (585) 340-9525 or at geneseevalleydistrict@unyumc.org.

ROC Friday Night with the Amerks!

Come join us as Asbury First takes in an exciting Amerks game! On Friday, February 8th, our Amerks host the Springfield Thunderbirds for a 7:05 pm hockey tip-off at Blue Cross Arena. All are welcome to attend! Asbury First has secured a large, discounted block of tickets on the lower level. The cost is \$16 per person. Please secure your ticket by sending Melody Guadagnino a check (specify number of tickets needed per \$16). Craig Dennison will distribute tickets on Sunday, February 3rd after the 8:30 am and 11 am services by the Welcoming Desk. Tickets may also be picked up from Craig before tip off on Friday in the front entrance of Blue Cross Arena between 6:30-7:15 pm. Shake off the winter cold and let's GO AMERKS!

How to Submit an Announcement for the Bulletin

Do you have Asbury First news you'd like us to include in an upcoming Sunday worship bulletin? We now have an online form! We request that all announcement submissions are sent via this form, which you can find at <http://bit.ly/SubmitAnAnnouncement>. All content is subject to editing for qualities such as clarity and brevity. Have questions about the weekly bulletin? Contact communications@asburyfirst.org.

Visit the Ministry Corner

Each week, we feature a group or two in the Ministry Corner (near the piano in the Gathering Center). If your group is interested in signing up, please contact Deb Bullock-Smith at dbullock-smith@asburyfirst.org or at (585) 271-1050 x117.

DISCIPLESHIP

New Year! New You!

Looking for a spiritual reboot? 2019 is an opportunity for a fresh start. What does this new year hold for you? Starting today at 9:45 am, come experience a four week (excluding January 27) journey of fellowship and self-discovery as we grow with God and each other. The group will meet on the 2nd floor of 1010. Interested? Contact Emily Cady at emilycady@gmail.com.

January Class – Just Mercy by Bryan Stevenson

As we continue our class discussions on Mercy and Justice this January, we are going to engage in a book discussion on *Just Mercy: A Story of Justice and Redemption*, written by Bryan Stevenson. This four week class is intended to continue to call our attention to systems and structures, and to hear one man's testimony of why advocating for the vulnerable is both necessary and rewarding. If you are interested in joining this discussion and would like to order a book, please contact Rev. Jacqueline Nelson at jnelson@asburyfirst.org.

A look back in the new year – 2019 is here

Founded in 1977, the library at Asbury came into being through the efforts of a church-appointed task force. In its early days, the library consisted of a book case in one small room. Currently, it occupies two adjoining rooms located off the Welcome Center. It is filled with hundreds of books on shelves and book cases in 37 plus categories. It's a library for our Asbury membership that is self-help, easy to use, and totally without charge. Come visit and check us out. If you would like to serve on our library committee, contact the church office and indicate your interest. Questions? Please contact Peggy Lyons at plyons@rochester.rr.com.

General Conference 2019: What's So Special?

Sundays 12-1 pm, February 17, 24, and March 3 in the Fellowship Hall. The United Methodist Church gathers as a worldwide denomination once every four years to make decisions about what we believe and how we govern

ourselves. At the 2016 General Conference, the Bishops suggested that a Special Session of General Conference be held to focus solely on the topic of human sexuality. This Special Session of General Conference is scheduled for February 23-26 in St. Louis, MO. We will have three Sunday morning Town Hall-style meetings on February 17, 24, and March 3. The first meeting will focus on the propositions put forth to the conference; the second will highlight what has transpired thus far; and the third will recap the conversations and decisions of the conference. Questions? Contact Rev. Mike Mullin at mmullin@asburyfirst.org.

Homosexuality and The United Methodist Church

Wednesdays 6-7 pm, February 6, 13, and 27 in 1040 Room 201. What does the Bible really say about homosexuality? Why did The United Methodist Church call a Special Session of General Conference to discuss homosexuality? On February 6, Rev. Mike Mullin will lead us through the biblical texts most often cited in conversations regarding homosexuality so that we might better understand their contexts. On February 13, Rev. Stephen Cady will outline the history of The United Methodist Church and what led us to this point. And finally, on February 27, we will gather to debrief together the results of the Special Session of General Conference. For more information, contact Rev. Mike Mullin at mmullin@asburyfirst.org.

MUSIC & ARTS

January Is for Joining

If you've been thinking about investigating musical opportunities at Asbury First, the start of the new year is a great time to consider joining one of our choirs. The Sanctuary Choir (11:00 service), Asbury Singers (8:30 service), and Asbury Ringers (bell choir) are always eager to welcome new members. Our musicians would be glad to have you visit a rehearsal or two to "check us out"! Sanctuary Choir rehearses on Wednesdays from 7:30-9:00 pm in Wesley Hall; contact Carl Johengen if you are interested (cjohengen@asburyfirst.org). Asbury Ringers meets

Wednesdays from 7:00-8:30 pm in the 2nd floor Bell Room; contact Elizabeth Church with questions (echurch@asburyfirst.org). The Asbury Singers gather at 7:45 am on Sunday mornings in Wesley Hall. We have an open invitation for people to come to the Asbury Singers read-through on January 19 from 9-11 am in Wesley Hall; contact Brian Bohrer for more information (bbohrer@asburyfirst.org).

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Have a Care Request? Let Us Know!

Bidden or unbidden, God is present. Here at Asbury First, we feel and know this to be true, and we rejoice in this good news! We work to share the presence of God with others, during the good times and during the bad times. Often, during the challenging times in our lives, we need a little help. Our caring ministries are here to support you as we are able to meet your needs. Do you—or someone you know—need some extra care and attention due to illness, bereavement, injury, or another pressing need? Care Request forms are available at the Welcome Desk in the Welcoming Hall. For more information, please contact Rev. Kathy Thiel at kthiel@asburyfirst.org or (585) 271-1050 x106.

OUTREACH

UR Well Clinic turns 10!

This week we celebrate 10 years of our UR Well Clinic. It is a great partnership with the University of Rochester and provides free basic medical care to 600 people a year. Thank you to all who have made this outreach possible. Here is to another 10 years of amazing service!

Storehouse Needs

The Storehouse currently needs children's clothing sizes 2-16, especially jeans and pants, children's winter coats sizes 2-8. As always, we appreciate the generosity of our congregation. In this very cold time of the year, we are really struggling to keep up with these clothing needs. Contact Judy Cohen at (585) 755-3376 with any questions. Thanks.

Dining and Caring Center Board needs you!

The Dining and Caring Center Board needs new members due to some retirements, resignations and/or changes of address. Please join us, if you can spare a couple of hours a month to help at events. If you have expertise in finance, fundraising, food-service or related skills, we need your help with board governance. For more information, contact D&CC Board Chair Diana Carter at (585) 732-7224 or by email at dianalouisecarter@gmail.com.

Umbrellas needed for Greeters

Do you enjoy the extra care the Greeters provide by sheltering you from the elements? We are running out of umbrellas and need your donations to continue this special treatment. Please drop off any umbrellas you can spare to 1050 East Ave. throughout the week or contact Rev. Kathy Thiel at kthiel@asburyfirst.org for more information.

Warm Winter Clothing Needed

The Asbury First Storehouse is in need of brand new and gently used warm winter clothing for our shoppers as the change of weather begins. Items needed include

ski jackets, parkas, coats, and snow pants for children, men, and women. All sizes are gratefully accepted! Please bring all donations to the Storehouse or leave them in the donation box in the Welcome Hall. If you have questions or would like more information, please call Judy Cohen at (585) 755-3376.

The Grocery Bag Ministry Needs Your Support

To serve our neighbors in need across the city, we need your donations of foods including:

- ♦ **plastic and paper grocery bags (for use in delivering the food)**
- ♦ jams
- ♦ peanut butter
- ♦ pasta sauce
- ♦ pasta
- ♦ canned fruits and vegetables
- ♦ soups
- ♦ tuna fish

Any donations may be dropped off in the wooden box near the coat racks in the Welcome Hall. Together we can make a real difference and help this essential outreach ministry continue. For more information, please contact Jim Carter at jimc4mail@gmail.com.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Classes are 9:45–10:45 am. All are welcome!

Combined Classes

Fellowship and discussion on spirituality, current events, & book reviews—open to all

Where: 1010, Red Room

January 20: Bonnie Matthaideess will discuss the book entitled “The Sun Does Shine” by Ray Hinton.

January 27: Jerry and Adelaide Svobda presenting on the Medical Mission to Ethiopia.

Adult Bible Study

For anyone interested in taking a closer look at the Bible
Where: 1050, Teak Room

Parables of Parenting

Fellowship for parents of all ages
Where: 1040, Room 203

New Year! New You!

For anyone interested in taking a closer look at the Bible
Where: 1010, 2nd Floor

ASBURY FIRST'S VALUES

Asbury First's Values represent a description of our guiding principles. These statements are standards of behavior, which are inherent in all we do. These seven values are...

Open to All

We believe we are all equal in God's eyes and are all one in Christ. We extend hospitality and encourage full participation for all regardless of any perceived defining characteristic.

Community

We believe we are better together; fellowship and care are keys to love and life.

Generosity

We believe what we have is a gift from God. We share our gifts with an open heart to help meet needs at Asbury First, the Rochester community, and throughout the world.



Outreach

We believe everyone deserves hope and fullness of life. We endeavor to practice mercy and work for justice in our local and extended community.

Stewardship

We believe we must care for the human, physical, and financial resources with which we have been entrusted.

Worship

We believe we are at our best when we connect to God together through preaching, prayer, and song. We strive for excellence in all we do, especially in our worship experience.

Discipleship

We believe we—adults, youth, and children alike—are called to grow in our faith both as a community and individuals through education, regular worship, meaningful fellowship, a commitment to service, and celebrating rites of passage together.

MEETINGS & REHEARSALS
January 20 – January 26

SUNDAY

- 9:45 am Sunday Morning Youth Groups—1040
9:45 am Children's Sunday School—1040
9:45 am Adult Sunday School Classes
—See Schedule
12:30 pm Annual Church Conference—1040
6 pm 6-12th Grade Youth Meal—1040
6:30 pm 6-8th Grade Youth Group—1040
6:30 pm 9-12th Grade Youth Group—1040

MONDAY

- 5:30 pm Dining and Caring Center
Board Meeting—1010

TUESDAY

- 9:30 am Women's Fellowship Group—1040
4 pm Capital Campaign Meeting—1050
6 pm Building Committee Meeting—1040

WEDNESDAY

- 6 am Men's Devotional Group—1010
10 am Adult Study—1010
12 pm Women on Wednesday—1010
4 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry—1010
5 pm Hallelujah Kids Choir—1040
5:30 pm Community Dinner—1040
6 pm Just Mercy—1040
6 pm New Member Orientation—1040
6 pm Youth Choir—1040
6:30 pm Youth Bell Choir—1040
6:30 pm Wesley Singers & Ringers—1040
7 pm Asbury Ringers—1040
7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir—1040

THURSDAY

- 6 pm Wellness Clinic—1040

POSTPONED

Board
Saturday Night

January 26, 5 pm. Fellowship Hall

Please bring your favorite game, or break out a new game you may have gotten for Christmas.

RSVP (helpful, but not necessary) to Paula Dugan at pdugan@asburyfirst.org. All are invited.

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Asbury First
Annual Church Conference
Today, January 20
Following the 11 am Service
In the Sanctuary

WELCOME

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Mini VBS – 5 Senses • February 19-21, 9 am to Noon

Join us for an amazing time using our senses as we explore a Bible story about Jesus. This Camp is open to everyone ages 4 through 5th grade. We are planning a special field trip on Thursday to the Rochester Museum and Science Center. For more information, contact Paula Dugan, (585) 271-1050 x111 or pdugan@asburyfirst.org.



General Conference 2019: What's So Special?
Sundays 12-1 pm | February 17, 24, and March 3 | Fellowship Hall

Homosexuality and The United Methodist Church
Wednesdays 6-7 pm | February 6, 13, and 27 | Room 201

For detailed information, see inside under Discipleship,
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