



Asbury United Methodist

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Sunday School 8:45 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m.

September 2018

Choir Kickoff: Chancel Choir will have their annual "Sing for your Supper" night on Wednesday, September 12, from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. at the Nelson home. New members are always welcome! Bring nothing but your appetite & your willingness to sing God's praises.



Fellowship Sunday: Asbury will be holding their first Fellowship Sunday celebration on Sunday, September 16 following worship service. Asbury UMC is trying to go back to the old Biblical way of seeking the Kingdom of God through worship, fellowship, prayer and potluck (breaking bread) by holding these monthly Fellowship events. Please join us at 9:45 a.m. for worship and bring a friend to share in the fellowship journey. We ask that church members bring potluck dishes to share with a friend. Table service and beverages will be provided by Asbury.

Missionary Program: Monday, September 17, 4:00 PM. Rev. Douglas Williams, Iowa Conference Missionary to Argentina 2015-2018. Refreshments will be served by Friendly Circle. A free-will offering will be accepted for Iowa Conference Missionaries.

Lay Speaker Workshop: Sundays, September 23 and 30, 2-7 PM. Registration closes 2 weeks prior to the event; please let Pastor Moody know if you are interested.

Children's Sunday School: Children's Sunday School will resume for the year on September 23 at 8:45 AM.

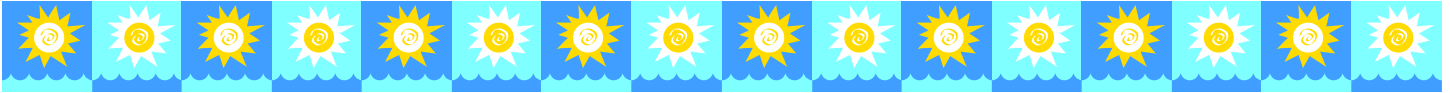
UMCORR Kits: Asbury will be collecting school and health kits for UMCORR throughout the fall. There are instruction sheets at the back of the church for making your kits.



Finance Summary

General Budget and Conference Claims

YTD Needs	90,090.00
YTD Gifts	74,489.00
Overall YTD shortfall	(15,601.00)



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES!!!

- 2 Jim & Deb Seward
- 3 Jim & Donna Palmer
- 4 Trudy Neff
- 5 Tabitha Fisher
- 7 Zach Ulin, Bill & Julie Kinneer, Carl & Laverta Yoder
- 8 Dorothy Miller, Levi & Alisha Kelley
- 11 Bowen Pennington
- 13 Jenn Hitzemann
- 14 Cecil Kelley
- 15 Bob & Melanie Stutzman
- 16 Matt McClellan, Kristina Millice
- 17 Cathy Ulin, Tracy & Lori Owens
- 19 Melody Black
- 20 Madena Schlabaugh, Alex Bean
- 21 Mike McVey, Larry & Millie Whetstine
- 23 Bob & Pat Freeman
- 26 Roger Borup, Jackson Pennington
- 28 Charlie Moss
- 29 Millie Whetstine, Stephen Moss
- 30 Ed Whetstine, Seth Thiele, John Greiner



Pastor's Note

In search of Asbury Pathway to Discipleship

So, how did you become a pastor of the Methodist church? This is one of the questions my group was asked during the recent Clergy Day Apart in the Southeast District. The answers were expected to fall under the following categories: Connected, Engaged, Equipped and Sent.

All the circumstances that led to my leadership in the church revolved around a lifetime with my Dad who was a minister of the Methodist Church. I grew up as my Dad's Squire. At ten I was helping him bring the Hymn Books and the Bibles to Home Bible Studies. Dad taught me how to use the typewriter and prepare stencils for the Church Bulletin. It was my weekly project. It was always hard to recruit delegates from church and I was always the first to be recruited (engaged and equipped) for Choir, Camps, VBS and Sunday School Teacher, Prayer and Evangelism Rallies and many kinds of leadership workshops and seminars. My Dad was a sergeant so all the siblings were taught obey without complaint. The result, at the age of seventeen I delivered my first sermon at the pulpit. Right after College I was serving the church as Lay Leader. While I had a secular job as an engineer, the people in the church called me Pastor Moody that I might be one. And when my company closed down I made a prayerful decision on my own will and figured that I have enjoyed my life more in the church and that it was time for me to be God's servant for the rest of my life.

I think what happened to me is described in Proverbs 22: 6, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." It's hardly enforced in this age anymore. It depends on whether the children are willing. Parents need all kinds of gimmicks to train the children. Biblically, humans would naturally choose worldliness over religion. Our sin does that. I resented my parents rule as a kid and then when I was deciding to be a preacher I was glad they overruled my frowns.

It was because I was a preacher's kid that I got involved in all the affairs of the church. How about you, how did you got connected and engaged in the church? What can we replicate to engage others and help them grow to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

Pastor Moody

