



Asbury United Methodist Church

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Sunday School for all ages - 10:00 am

Worship Service In person & Live stream - 11:00 am

1 John 4:19 “We love because He first loved us.”

Love Begins with God

This month, we reflect on a powerful truth found in 1 John 4:19. As we enter February—a season often associated with love—I’d like us to remember that our ability to love others flows from our ability to love God and from the love God has shown us even before we were aware. God’s love is the foundation and source of all genuine affection, kindness, and compassion.

This month, let’s challenge ourselves to show God’s love in practical ways. Whether it’s reaching out to someone in need, forgiving a friend, or simply offering a smile, every act of kindness reflects the love we’ve received from God. I’d also continue to encourage you to maintain your support for the Disciple’s Food Pantry. Join us as we put love into action and make a difference in our community.

Pray this month for hearts to be open to God’s love and for opportunities to share that love with others.

Upcoming Events

Benefit Organ Concert: Join us in the sanctuary for an organ and voice concert to benefit Lorraine LaPalomoto as she and her husband work toward restoring their home after a devastating fire in December. Several organists and singers will be providing their skills to an evening filled with praise and song. Refreshments will be served in the side sanctuary and donations will be received to help the family rebuild. Friday, February 13th at 7pm.

Weekly Bible Study: Wednesday mornings at 9:30am. Join with Dennis Newton and several church members as they journey through the Bible. The study meets in the conference room downstairs weekly.

Ash Wednesday Worship Service: We will hold an Ash Wednesday Service with prayer and imposition of ashes at St. John’s UMC in Harrisonville on Wednesday February 18th at 6:30pm.

Lent Begins: The first Sunday of Lent is February 22nd. We will journey through the six Sundays of Lent culminating with Palm Sunday (March 29th) and Easter (April 5th). We will also have Holy Thursday worship service at St. John’s @ 6:30pm on April 2nd, and Easter Sunrise service at Memorial Lake @ 6:30am on April 5th. Join us on the path from the wilderness to the cross to the resurrection.

Remember, our love for others is not something we muster on our own—it’s a response to the love God has poured into our hearts. Let’s be intentional this month in loving as He loves, knowing that every act of love points others to Him.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Don

ORGAN CONCERT FUNDRAISER
TO BENEFIT A LOCAL FIRE VICTIM AND FAMILY

We  love

BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US
1 John 4:19

JOIN US FOR
MUSIC, SONG & REFRESHMENTS
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026
7:00 PM



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FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE



Join us for our next meeting,
Monday, February 9th, 1:00 p.m.,
in Fellowship Hall.
See Denise Federici for information!
All ladies of the church are invited!

WOMENS' BRUNCH

Our Women's Brunch will take place
Saturday, February 14th, 11:00 am at the
Woodstown Diner. All ladies of the church
are invited to gather at the diner for
fellowship. Please see Bonnie Stevens for
information!



LET'S BRUNCH





FEBRUARY MISSION OFFERINGS

MLK SCHOLARSHIP - February Communion Offering

The Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship is administered by the Woodstown/Piles Grove Ministerium. It awards an annual scholarship to a graduating senior from Woodstown High School to further their college education.

THE VICTORIA CIARA FOUNDATION - February Mission Emphasis

The Victoria Ciara Foundation is a local non-profit started by a former Asbury Family. Steve and Arianne Hegeman were attending Asbury when Victoria Ciara (Tori) was born. The foundation was started with an idea that Tori had, and it has grown. Two current Asburians are members of the board of directors, Martha and Tracy. If you have questions, please see either of them!

Our mission at VCF is to enhance the lives of those impacted by Congenital Heart Disease (CHD). CHD is the presence of structural defects within the heart that are present at birth. It is the most common birth defect in the U.S. and requires life-long medical appointments, diagnostic testing, and interventions that include catheterizations and open-heart surgeries.

VCF's vision is to be a wrap-around solution for individuals and families impacted by CHD across the nation. Our resources address the most common problems and challenges associated with cardiac-related chronic illness with offerings that include Wellness and Financial Assistance, Post-Secondary Scholarships, Socialization/Mentoring Opportunities, Awareness Campaigns, and Educational Programming.

*Donations to our Communion Offering can be made anytime during the month. You may also donate to any of our missions at any time during the year. Checks should be made out to: Asbury UMC, indicate on your check or envelope which mission you would like your donation to go towards.



FEBRUARY DATES TO REMEMBER

COMMUNION SUNDAY

Sunday, February 1st

FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

Monday, February 9th, 1:00 pm

ORGAN CONCERT

Friday, February 13th, 7:00 pm

WOMEN'S BRUNCH @ WOODSTOWN DINER

Saturday, February 14th, 11:00 am

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE @ ST. JOHN'S UMC

Wednesday, February 18th, 6:30 pm

STUDY OF THE US CONSTITUTION

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm

WEDNESDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Meets every Wednesday at 9:30 am

February & March Birthdays

Stacy Allen
 Beck-Ley Family
 Barbara & Charles Bender
 Phyllis Bowman
 John Corbit Breyer
 Keith Campbell
 Anna Caruso
 Walt Coles
 Gayle Copskey
 Sami Cox
 Sue Day
 Jerry Everhart
 Sue Fletcher
 Carolynn Jo Foote
 Bea Foster
 Bill Fox
 Beverly Hampton
 Ruth Hargous
 Alice Hart
 Jerilyn Henderson
 Ben Hitchner
 Paul Hopkins
 Kaye Jenking
 Mabel Johnson
 Carol Kearney
 Sofia Loper
 Madison
 Esther McPherrin
 Margie Naglee
 Martha Nealer
 Brian Newton
 Special Needs Babies
 Phyllis Sauler
 Mark Schlageter
 Rich, Eileen & Jeff Sickler
 Gerri & Ernie Smith
 Richard Sparks, Jr.
 Barb Stephens
 The Family of Marie Stubbins
 Tammy Stubbins
 Pedro Tamayo
 Barbara Taylor
 Tricia & the Blumenkrantz Family
 Bernie Weber
 Martha Wolf

02/01 John Frankenberg
 02/04 Janet Hall
 02/06 Trista Stevens
 02/07 Michael Chapman
 02/19 Marcia Kates
 02/19 Ransom Willard
 02/21 Randall Franzen Jr.
 02/24 Candy Ewald
 02/28 Ted Decker



03/04 Lora Lowery
 03/06 Olivia Terry
 03/06 Paul Kranz
 03/08 Emma Morgan
 03/09 Robert McHarness
 03/15 Sue Fletcher
 03/20 Martha Nealer
 03/22 Marge Scirrotto
 03/26 Brett Slingerland
 03/26 Ryan Slingerland
 03/29 Katie Hall

If you would like to add your name or someone's name, we encourage you to do so. We also would like to know who is requesting the prayer. Your prayers matter to God and to your Asbury Family as well!

Administrative Assistant Office Hours
 Monday & Tuesday - 8:00 am - 11:00 am
 Thursday - 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm