

ASBURY'S MINISTRIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, Dec. 10, 2017	7:00 a.m.	Moments of Devotion	100.9 FM/1440 AM WPGW Radio Chapel
	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service	
	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages	
	10:15 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
	11:30 a.m.	Christmas Carry-in Lunch	Fellowship Hall
Mon., Dec. 11, 2017	9:30 a.m.	Monday Morning Disciple Group	Finance Office
	10:30 a.m.	Staff Meeting	Parlor
	5:30 p.m.	Bread of Life Meal	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2017	7:30 a.m.	Trustees Meeting	Roundtable Room
	2:30 p.m.	Kids Hope Christmas Party	General Shanks
	6:30 p.m.	Joy Circle Christmas Party	Kim Brelsford's home
Wed., Dec. 13, 2017	5:30 p.m.	Weight Watchers	Fellowship Hall
	6:30 p.m.	Asbury Bells Practice	Sanctuary
	7:30 p.m.	Choir Practice	Choir Room
Thurs., Dec. 14, 2017	9:00 a.m.	Prayer Time	Chapel
	6:30 p.m.	Brianna's Hope Meeting	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, Dec. 17, 2017		Only 1 Service at 10:15 a.m.	
		Food Pantry Sunday	
	7:00 a.m.	Moments of Devotion	100.9 FM/1440 AM WPGW Radio
	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages	
	10:15 a.m.	Worship Service (Cantata)	Sanctuary
	1:00 p.m.	Christmas Caroling	
	4:00 p.m.	Youth Group	Youth Room
	6:00 p.m.	Christmas Open House	New Parsonage

The 2018 Altar Flowers Sign-up



The sign-up for the 2018 Altar Flowers is on the bulletin board by the church office. The Flowers are \$20. Write down who you would like it to be in memory or celebration of.

Christmas Giving Tree

The gifts need handed in today December 10. Note whether it is "to be wrapped" or "leave unwrapped." Please make sure that the original tag is attached to the gift. These giving tree gifts will greatly bless families at General Shanks!

Thank you for caring and sharing!

Asbury Mission Team

and

Asbury Kids Hope USA ministry



Food Pantry Sunday

Is December 17

The items needed are:
Hot & Cold Cereal



Congregation Christmas Carry-in



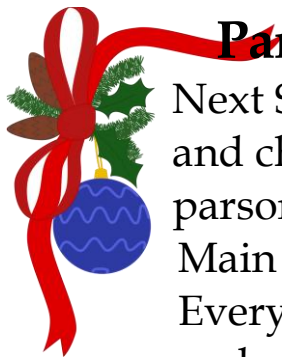
The NOW committee invites the Asbury congregation and guests to our annual Christmas carry-in dinner after worship today Sunday, December 10. The church will provide meat, drinks, and tableware.



The bulletin and announcements are available to view on our website at www.asburyministries.org, click on the menu on the upper right side, then on resources, then on bulletin, and then on the bulletin or

bulletin insert for the announcements.

To see the sermon video on our web site click on the menu on the upper right side, then on resources, then on sermon, then on launch media video, then on the sermon you want to listen to, then play.



Parsonage Christmas Open House

Next Sunday, December 17 Pastor Allison, Josh and children will have an open house at the new parsonage from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at 308 E. Main St. There will be light refreshments.

Everyone is welcome to come, celebrate the season and see the new parsonage.



Sermon Series for Advent

December 10: A Thrill of Hope: The Christmas Story in Word and Art - "The Shepherds"
Luke 2:8-20 (NRSV)

December 17: Christmas Cantata

December 24: A Thrill of Hope: The Christmas Story in Word and Art - "Presentation in the Temple"
Luke 2:21-40 (NRSV)

December 31: A Thrill of Hope: The Christmas Story in Word and Art - "Flight Into Egypt"
Matthew 2:13-15 (NRSV)

January 7: A Thrill of Hope: The Christmas Story in Word and Art - "Epiphany"
Matthew 2:1-12 (NRSV)



Only 1 Service

Next Sunday December 17 is the Christmas Cantata. We will only have 1 service at 10:15 a.m. on that Sunday, so come and enjoy the cantata.

Who's Up for Christmas Caroling



All ages are welcome to join us (the N. O. W. Committee) to go out for lunch after church or meet at the north entrance at 1:00 p.m. on December 17 to visit the nursing homes. See Brad Miller (260-703-0458)

The 2017 Advent Offering



The Advent Offering will be used for the Feed My Starving Children Program. The Jay County High School Chapter of the National Honor Society is organizing a mobile pack event for May 12, 2018, at the Jay County High School auxiliary gym. The students must raise \$25,000 to cover the cost of the ingredients to sack 100,000 meals. The money you place in the advent envelopes will be donated to this group. You may also give a check to Asbury; on the memo line put Feed My Starving Children.

The mission team has also pledged to provide helpers for this mobile pack. We will be placing rice, soy, vitamins, minerals and dehydrated vegetables in small pouches. More information will follow about signing up to help pack the food.

If you have donated to the Advent projects before you have an envelope with your name on it on the table in the overflow room. If you have not donated we have extra envelopes available. Thank you.

Mission Team

2018 Winter Mission Workcamp



Plans for our 2018 winter mission workcamp are well underway. Based on a variety of factors, we have selected the Sebring, Florida area as our destination. Sebring is about 80 miles south of Orlando. The area was hit hard by Hurricane

Irma. I've been in contact with the Florida UMC Disaster Response folks and they suggested Sebring. The Volunteer-in Mission Coordinator for Central Florida is based in Sebring and is on staff at the Sebring First United Methodist Church. The church has facilities to accommodate a group our size ... sleeping space, kitchen, and showers!

So, here are the details to date:

Dates: March 11-17, 2018

Staying at: First UMC, Sebring FL

Anticipated Cost: \$100/person for the week plus a contribution from our Churches We will again have our own cook crew. Everyone except the RV folks will need a cot or air mattress.

What will we be doing? The list sent by my contact in Sebring is as follows: installing insulation and sheetrock taping, mudding and texturing sheetrock, installing trim, doors, etc. installing flooring – laminate or similar, repairing roofs or shingles, replacing kitchen and bathroom cabinets, tearing out damaged materials, and other repair work as needed.

A pre-trip meeting has been scheduled at the Hagerstown UMC for Sunday, February 11, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. to share additional information, answer questions, and fill out needed forms.

Please consider this mission opportunity. We always seem to be of help to folks in need, and we have a good time in the process! Please extend this invitation to others in your church. If you have any questions, please call or email us. Let us know of your interest as soon as possible so we may better plan the details.

Pastor Allison Yankey

Joy Circle Meeting



The Joy Circle will meet for their Christmas carry-in on Tuesday, December 12 at 6:30 p.m. The party will be at the home of Kim Brelsford (Kim's address is 1242 N. 350 W., Portland). The co-hostess is Denise Glentzer. Those attending should bring a covered dish and also a gift wrapped ornament for the exchange. We hope to see everyone at our fun Christmas party.

Kids Hope USA Reminder for Mentors & Substitute Mentors!



Our Annual Kids Hope USA Christmas Party is on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 from 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. in the Library of General Shanks Elementary. Kids Hope folks will have received information the end of November about our party planning.

Please make sure you have RSVP'd with Heather Maitlen by Sunday, December 10, 2017. You will be helping to make this Christmas Party a special memory for each of our ten students!

We pray that God will bless our Asbury Kids Hope program in 2018, as Mentors, Prayer Partners and students, and their families continue to work together to bring HOPE to these precious children!