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Every Faithful Step Matters

As many of you know, I love hiking. During this summer's vacation, I took on a new challenge: a backpacking trip across the White Mountains of New Hampshire. With a 33-pound pack on my back and 33 miles ahead of me, I'll admit—I felt a little nervous. But I also felt ready. I saw it as an opportunity to stretch myself and take that all-important first step.

Along the way, the mountaintop views were absolutely stunning—silent testaments to the beauty of God's creation. Naturally, Juhee and I paused often to take photos. When we shared those pictures on Facebook, many friends commented on how breathtaking the scenery was.

But if you ask what we saw the most on that trip, the answer might surprise you: it was the ground. Most of our time was spent watching our steps—navigating rocky, uneven paths, carefully placing one foot in front of the other. Especially during steep climbs, when we were out of breath and exhausted, all we could do was focus on the next step. And it was those small, faithful steps—taken one at a time—that carried us through three days and 33 miles.

I believe the life of faith is much the same. Not every moment is a dramatic "mountaintop experience." Most of our journey is shaped by the ordinary rhythms of worship, fellowship meals, daily prayer, and Scripture reading. There are times when we walk through valleys, and other times when we climb toward higher ground. But through it all, it is the steady commitment to keep moving forward—one faithful step at a time—that makes the journey possible.

No matter what season of life you find yourself in—whether in a place of strength or struggle, hope or uncertainty—know that you don't walk alone. As a church, let's continue walking together. May each of our steps, no matter how small, bring us closer to the path Christ has set before us. And may Asbury UMC be known as a community that walks that narrow way—not with haste, but with faithfulness.

Pastor Yohan Go

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2	Chris Nerney
4	Cheryl White
5	Michael Toomey
9	Stephanie Gilman
11	Stephen Arnold
11	Walter Day
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14	Bob Hanke
19	Angelina Dercole
20	Alex Lucini
26	April Rowe
27	Jayson Williams

~August Upcoming Events~

3	**Worship Service**	**9:30 am**
5	**Pastor's Office Hours**	**9:30 am -12 pm**
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The deadline for the September Newsletter is Monday, August 25, 2025

Thank you!

SHOE COLLECTION

Asbury UMC began a shoe collection in July and It will continue into August.

We will be collecting new and gently used shoes and sneakers for children (all sizes), women and men (especially larger sizes).

The collection will run beginning JULY 20TH and the last date to bring donations will be AUGUST 17th.

There will be boxes in the coffee room marked for your donations.

Any questions, contact Joan White at 499-1280

2025 BREAD BAKING DATES

Hi everyone, although we still have plenty of summer left, please mark your calendars for our annual bread baking days for the Bazaar. This year the days are:

October 29th, 30th, 31st and November 1st.

More information will follow.

Thanks, Barbara Bishop

PILL BOTTLE MISSION

Our church has been sending empty pill bottles to a larger mission outreach for quite some time now. The postage has been paid in a variety of ways. If you are able to help with the postage, it costs approximately $35 per month to send these boxes. Please speak to Joan White regarding this mission project.

Joan's home number: 401-738-6202

Cell number is 401-499-1280

Please Help Asbury Grow !!

Please visit our website and click on the giving link.

https://www.asburyumcri.org/

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Bazaar Jewelry Needed

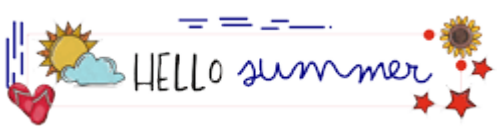
We are already starting to collect jewelry for our annual Bazaar. We always appreciate all the items you give to us to sell for our church.

Summer is a nice time to look through your jewelry and pass on items you no longer use. It helps us to have the jewelry ahead of time so that it can be sorted and priced.

A good number of people come to see our jewelry, so please help if you can. We welcome all types of jewelry - fine, vintage, costume, antique - old or new.

Tax exempt donation receipts are available from our church office upon request. The date for the Bazaar will be announced at a later date.

For Questions or Pickup, Please call Joyce Moore at 401-737-6311 or our Church Office 401-467-5122.



STUFFED MUSHROOMS by Pat McGovern

As found in "Feast of Goodness" 1994

1 (12-oz.) pkg. mushrooms

¼ red pepper, minced

¼ Spanish onion, minced

¾ sleeve Ritz crackers

½ stick butter

¼ tsp. black pepper

Wash mushrooms and remove stems. Melt butter in pan. Add onion, red pepper and black pepper, sauté until tender. Finely crush Ritz crackers and add to butter mixture. Mixture should be moist. Stuff mushroom caps and cook at 350 degrees for 15-20 minutes.

BAKED BEANS (Crockpot)

by Elizabeth Bosworth

As found in the "Feast of Goodness" 1994

1 lb. small navy beans

½ c. molasses

1 tsp. honey

1 tsp. salt

1 lg. onion, chopped

1 dash of garlic powder

1 tsp. vegetable oil

Wash and soak the beans for 12 hours. Keep or add enough water to cover the beans. Add remaining ingredients. Cook for 12 hours on high or until beans are tender.

Dear Asbury Church Choir Members and Music Enthusiasts,

Weekly Choir Practice: A Sacred Time for Harmony and Growth
Each week, we come together not just to rehearse music but to create something extraordinary—a sound that glorifies God and uplifts our congregation. These moments of preparation are essential to our ministry, and your presence is invaluable.

- **Wednesdays:** 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
- **Sundays:** 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

Your dedication forms the foundation of our worship services. Let us commit to attending regularly and punctually, striving for excellence as we prepare to lead others in meaningful worship.

Welcoming New Voices: An Invitation to Serve Through Song
It is a privilege to welcome new members into our choir family. If you or someone you know feels called to serve the Lord through music, we invite you to join us. Whether you are a seasoned singer or new to the choir experience, your voice has a place here. Come to a practice session or contact me directly to learn more about this wonderful opportunity. Together, we will inspire hearts and glorify God through the gift of music.

Your Music Director: Leading with Faith, Passion, and Purpose
As your Music Director, I am honored to lead our choir in creating music that reflects God's love and grace. My role is not just to guide you musically but also to support you spiritually and personally. If you have questions, concerns, or ideas, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Together, we are building a music ministry that honors God and inspires our congregation.

Prayers and Support: United in Faith and Purpose
As we continue to grow as a choir and a community, I ask for your prayers. Please pray that our choir will glorify God, support our pastor's ministry, and bring grace to our congregation. If you have any prayer requests or need support, please feel free to share them with me or a fellow choir member. We are more than a choir; we are a family, united by our faith and purpose, supporting one another in love and grace.

Gratitude for Your Commitment and Faithfulness
Thank you for your unwavering commitment to the Asbury Church Choir. Every note we sing and every harmony we create is a testament to God's glory. Through our music, we have the privilege of transforming lives, uplifting spirits, and spreading His love. Let us continue to make a joyful noise unto the Lord and inspire others with the power of our ministry. May God bless and guide us as we faithfully serve Him through music.

With gratitude, blessings, and love,
Hanna Noh
Music Director, Asbury UMC
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~By Tim & Cami Webb~

Top Ten Things You Can Do On Our Website

Look at all the useful information update weekly on **AsburyUMCRI.org!** Check it out!

1) Check for worship schedule, COVID and weather status
2) Refer to each Sunday's bulletin and announcements (back to 2020)
3) Read historical sermon transcripts (back to 2019)
4) Refer to monthly newsletters (back to 2019)
5) Click to access our secure online financial giving site (set up one-time or recurring pledges/gifts, see your online giving history)
6) See information about major events at the Church
7) Find free food resources in the area when in need
8) See our Pastor's biography
9) Look at our gallery of pictures (work in progress- send Tim W. or the office pictures you'd like added)
10) Contact the Pastor or Staff via secure message

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