THE ASBURY TRUMPETER

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Looking Ahead with Eyes of Faith

During a recent pastoral visit, one of our members shared this thought with me: "When I have a dream—something new I want to try—I feel like life is so much more vibrant."

It doesn't have to be anything big. Even simple dreams like "Next year, I want to start a small garden," or "I'm going to plant a single flower," can breathe new life into our days. Dreams of meeting an old friend after a long time or learning something new bring freshness to our lives and give us strength for the journey ahead.

During my vacation this summer, after hiking the White Mountains with my wife, I found myself dreaming a new dream. One of the items on my life's "bucket list" is to hike the John Muir Trail in California—a 220-mile trek that crosses mountains over 14,000 feet high and usually takes about 20 days to complete. Until now, it was only a thought in the back of my mind. But after this hike, I felt a stronger pull to take on the challenge. (Of course, I first need Juhee's agreement.) And with that dream came a new commitment to care for my health through regular exercise and good habits.

Small dreams like these enrich our lives in ways we don't always expect.

The same is true for our church. When we pray together for the future of Asbury and dream God's dreams for our ministry, our life of faith today becomes fuller and more vibrant. So I invite you to wonder with me:

- What could Asbury UMC do for the community in the coming year or two?
- What kind of church do we want to become by next year—or five years from now? (Remember, 2030 will be our 100th anniversary!)

To see that dream take shape, we start here and now, together.

Of course, the future can sometimes feel uncertain or hard to imagine. That's when we need faith—faith like Abraham's, who took the first step trusting in God's promises even when he could not yet see the road ahead. This is the kind of faith that helps us look toward the future with hope instead of fear, with courage instead of discouragement.

My prayer is that Asbury UMC will be a community that walks forward together with eyes of faith—trusting God's leading and embracing the future with hope and joy.

Peace,

Pastor Yohan Go

Sermon Series: The Truth Will Set You Free

“John 8:32 - Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

Series Introduction (shared in Week 1):

Every one of us carries voices in our hearts—false messages that have been playing for years. They often come from early experiences, relationships, or cultural pressures.

These voices weigh us down, distort our identity, and keep us from hearing God’s voice clearly.

Over the next nine weeks, we will name one false message each week, replace it with God’s truth, and learn to live in the freedom Christ has given us.

This sermon series will begin on September 14, 2025. Stay tuned!

Rev. Yohan Go

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SERMON SERIES

"Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." - John 8:32

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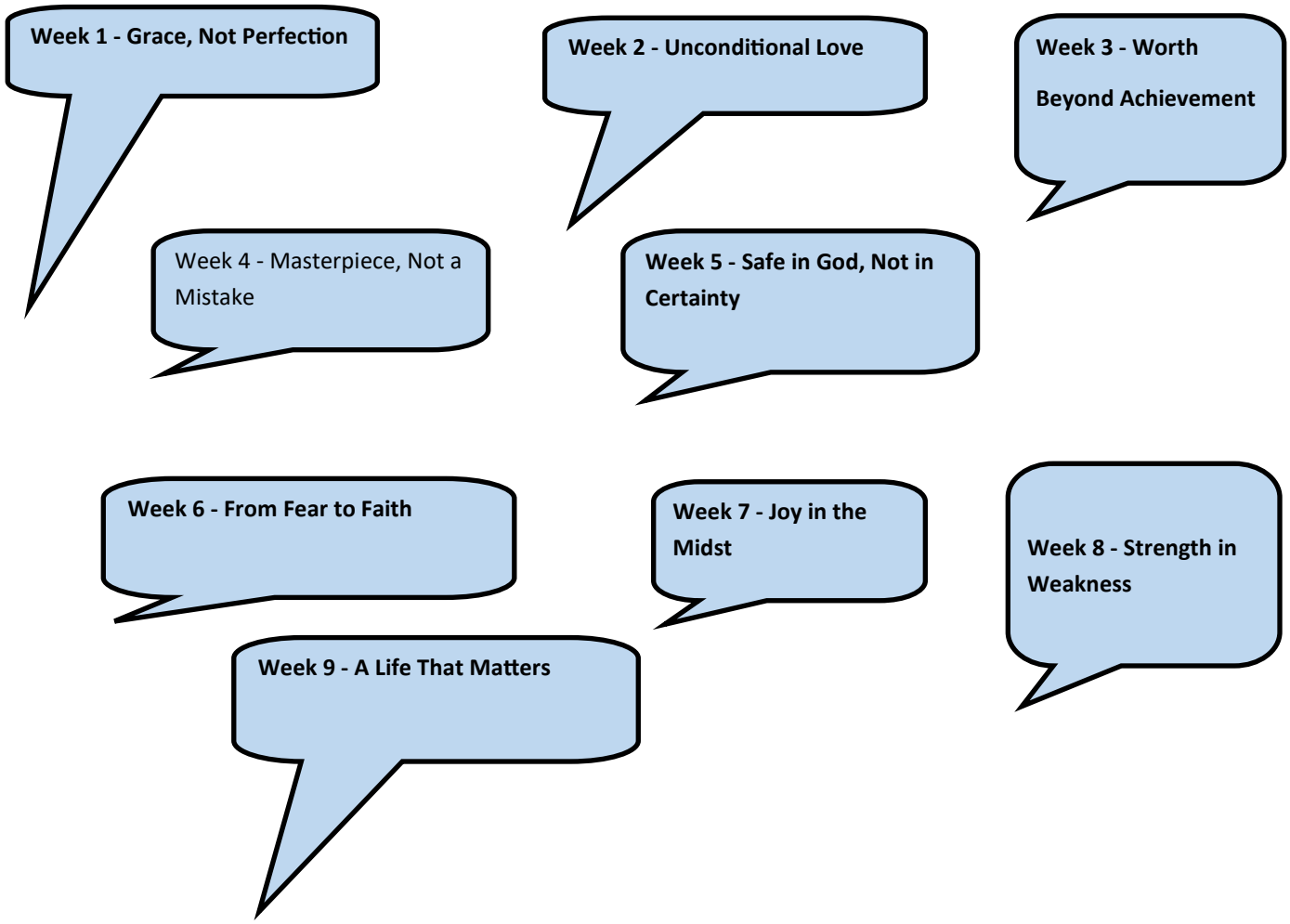
Begins September 14th - Service at 9:30 AM every Sunday

THE TRUTH WILL SET YOU FREE



Save the Date!
Rally Day is Sunday, September 7, 2025

While summer winds down, the Christian Education Committee looks forward to the upcoming fall season at Asbury UMC. With the fall season comes a return to refreshed routines and regularity.

We will gather together on Sunday, September 7th for a "Better Together" worship service designed to set our collective focus on our children and Sunday School, Wednesday Morning Book Group, adult Bible Study and most importantly - our relationship with Jesus. Our service will include our annual Blessing of the Backpacks, a special children's message and communion.

Please bring a photo of yourself or you and your family to hang on the Dahlquist Room bulletin board by Sunday, August 31st because we are "Better Together!"

Please plan to join us after worship for a continental breakfast of bagels, cream cheese, fruit, juice, coffee and tea.

Thanks and see you in church!
Diane Newman Goins
Christian Education Co-Chair

CHANCEL GUILD NEWS

Greetings from your Chancel Guild!
We hope your summer was beautiful and filled with plants and flowers!

We are almost ready for Fall! The Altar flower schedule has been updated and is in place. Many of you have standing orders which have been honored. We will be honoring our Veterans, will be part of World Communion Sunday, will remember our loved ones who have passed, will observe the liturgical calendar such as Advent, etc. The holidays approach in a few months and you'll be seeing information about ordering poinsettias.

Unfortunately the cost of the altar flowers has gone up, reflecting the wholesale price increase of flowers and supplies. Dave's Floral is still our provider. Starting August 31, altar flowers will be $38.00. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Blessings to you all,
Becky Arnold
401-935-5906

September 2025

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September

1	Rev. Juhee Lee
	Eric Jones
2	Ella Harrell
	Peter Lang
5	Greg Jacobson
7	Andy Lucini
9	Jason Taylor
12	Justin Dorsey
13	Leslee Mills
14	Rev. Yohan Go
16	Connor Edward Heller
20	Ethan Arnold
	Chris Harrell
	Justin Okerholm
23	Heidi Bradbury
	Trish Disu

~Upcoming Events~

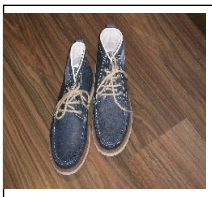
1	Labor Day Holiday	Office Closed
2	Pastor's Office Hours	9:30 am -12 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
3	Pastor's Office Hours	9:30 am -12 pm
7	Worship Service	9:30 am
9	Pastor's Office Hours	9:30 am -12 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
10	Pastor's Office Hours	9:30 am -12 pm
14	Worship Service	9:30 am
16	Pastor's Office Hours	9:30 am -12 pm
	Tuesday Book Group	10:00 am
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
17	Pastor's Office Hours	9:30 am -12 pm
	Womens Book Group	9:30 am
21	Worship Service	9:30 am
23	Pastor's Office Hours	9:30 am -12 pm
	Tuesday Book Group	10:00 am
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
24	Pastor's Office Hours	9:30 am -12 pm
	Women's Book Group	9:30 am
28	Worship Service	9:30 am
30	Pastor's Office Hours	9:30 am -12 pm
	Choir Practice	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

The deadline for the October Newsletter is Thursday, September 25, 2025

Thank you!

Reminder

To all Chancel Guild members that our next meeting will be Monday, October 6th at 7:00 pm via zoom. The link will be sent out the week before. Please make every effort to participate.



SHOE DRIVE

The Missions Committee organized a shoe drive over the summer and we are happy to announce that we collected 180 pairs of shoes and sneakers for needy families. They were delivered to Project Outreach, who will work with the families to distribute the shoes.

Thank you to all who helped and donated to such a worthy cause!

Please Help Asbury Grow !!

Please visit our website and click on the giving link.

https://www.asburyumcri.org/

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Bread Baking 2025'

Hello everyone! We're getting close to bread baking time of year again, but this year brings a whole new excitement. With the generous donations of a few people, we were able to replace our 2 antique wall ovens, and replace the 2 gas oven thermostats as well . With these changes, our baking time should be a lot more predictable and less stressful.

We also received the gift of a large chest freezer, which will eliminate the transfer of bread to a freezer outside of the church building. With all that said, I will still need as many people as are able to help with the four days of baking. The Bazaar will take place on November 8th. , which means the baking is one full week before, October 29-30-31 and November 1st.

Some workers are needed at 8:30 to mix the bread, and then additional people at 9:30-10:00 to braid after it's raised. Don't forget to pack a lunch because that's next, followed by the baking.

Working as a team is fun, so if you are able to help at all, we'll benefit as friends and as a church community.

The signup sheets will be in the coffee room later September, I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you,

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

TO HELP THE CHRISTMAS VILLAGE BAZAAR BE A SUCCESS!

1. Spread the word! Tell your friends and family
2. Donate jewelry, high quality items and toys
3. Make a craft, gift basket, baked good or two
4. Hang up flyers
5. (Big need, Are you sociable?) Make calls to our Members to let them know the date and see if they want to help/donate
6. Help with pricing and cleaning donated items
7. Sign up to greet our customers for day of
8. Help take stuff out of storage (or put it back)
9. Use summer fruits to make a pie now - don't bake yet
10. Be an elevator operator for the day! (will train)

15TH Annual Group Yard & Bake Sale with Snack Bar

Saturday, September 20th, 2025 9AM-2PM

Lakewood Baptist Church

255 Atlantic Ave., Warwick, RI

RAIN OR SHINE

SAVE THE DATE!

OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR IS COMING UP!

Saturday, November 8th!!

Bazaar Jewelry Needed

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

Now is a good 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.

Basket Boutique Seeks Donations for Our Annual Christmas Village Bazaar

The Basket Boutique could really use some items to help fill up our popular gift baskets. Please do not feel the need to put together an entire basket, but the following items would be extremely helpful donations:

Cookies, crackers, cocoa (small)

Christmas ornaments

Christmas decorations (small)

Candy, chocolates (small)

Small kitchen gadgets/items

Winter and solid color paper napkins

Candles (jars, votives)

Candleholders

Kitchen towels, potholders

Nuts, jellies, jams

Children's games, cards, puzzles

Small and medium baskets

All items should be new, but if an item is in excellent condition such as ornaments, decorations we can use it.

Also, some may wish to give a monetary donation and I will purchase items needed.

Please leave your items upstairs in the last room before the bathroom in the church office building by Saturday, October 4th.

Thanks so much for your continued generosity!

Diane Newman-Goins

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Tricia Smith-Disu

401-837-0555

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Pastor: Ron Provencal

August 17, 2025

Asbury Methodist Church

Dear Steve Goins,

I want to thank your church family for the very generous donation of 64 boxes of cereal you gave us for the July Cereal Challenge. It was a huge success once again. We set a goal of 1,000 boxes and we collected 2,106 boxes. We will do another Cereal Challenge in March or May 2026. The need in July is even greater because the children are not in school. Thank you and please share this with your church family.

In Christian Love,

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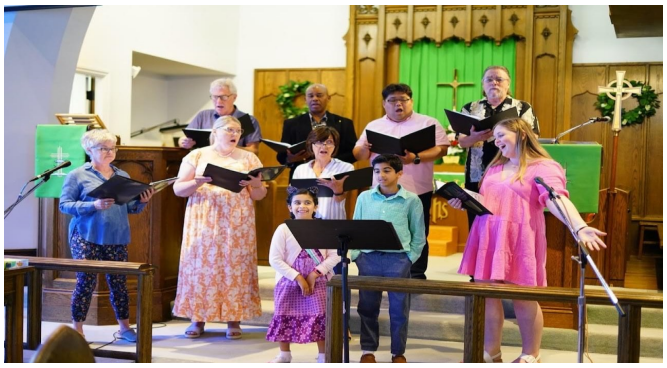
Dear Asbury Church Choir Members and Music Enthusiasts,

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.

- **Tuesdays:** 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
857-231-0567

~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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