

# THE ASBURY TRUMPETER



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## Waiting for Easter



When I visited Guatemala last week, it was the dry season. I could feel the arid air and saw vast barren land everywhere. I felt as if I were in a desert. However, Rev. Luke Rhyee reminded me that there will be full of corn growing in those seemingly dead lands when the rainy season comes. Almost every day in the late afternoon, rain from heaven will soak into the dry land, and the land will produce corn. Corn is the staple food in Guatemala, and it enables them to live on, so Mayan people believe that they came from corn or the corn god, who symbolizes birth, death, and resurrection. You will understand why people put the image of corn on the crucifix. To harvest corn, one must endure the dry season, which is a time for preparation and renewal.

Unlike other years, the Lenten season for this year came early. It also means that Easter will come earlier than usual. March 31st is Easter, and you can feel Easter has already arrived in the town. Chocolates, Easter bunnies, and eggs—Easter products are everywhere. However, to truly experience the joy of Easter, we first need to deeply immerse ourselves in the somber time of Lent, facing our sin and mortality and remembering Christ's suffering and love for us. Asbury UMC will provide special worship services during the holy week. Please join our meaningful weekday worship services that will help you to harvest the joy of resurrection.

Palm Sunday (March 24th, 9:30 a.m. at Asbury)

Maundy Thursday (March 28th, 6 p.m. at Zion KUMC)

Holy Friday (March 28th, 7 p.m. at Asbury)

Easter Service (March 31st, 9:30 a.m. at Asbury)

Easter is coming, and let us prepare for it with joyful hearts! May God continue to guide your journey to the bright morning of Easter.

From, Rev. Yohan



| March 2024 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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### March Birthdays

- 3 Carolyn Lamothe
- 5 James Keene  
Allen Lucini
- 6 Danika Hallam  
Michael Whitney
- 10 James Rison
- 12 Linda Quinn
- 16 Jane Gilman  
Andrea Dunn
- 17 Nancy Kennedy
- 19 Nathan Bradbury  
David Keene
- 22 Linda Cameron  
Lee Williams
- 24 Harry Jones
- 25 Buddy Ford  
Benjamin Sunoskie
- 26 Erin Rose
- 27 Laura Quist
- 28 Mary Drury



### ~Upcoming Events~

- 3 Worship Service 9:30 am
- 5 Pastor's Office Hours 9:30 am -12 pm  
Pastor's Book Study 10:00- 11:00am
- 6 Pastor's Office Hours 9:30 am -12 pm  
Women's Book Study 9:30 am  
Choir Practice 7:00 pm – 9 pm
- 10 Worship Service 9:30 am
- 12 Pastor's Office Hours 9:30 am -12 pm  
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- 20 Women's Book Study 9:30 am  
Choir Practice 7:00 pm - 9pm
- 24 Palm Sunday Worship 9:30 am
- 26 Pastor's Office Hours 9:30 am -12 pm  
Church Council 7:00pm
- 27 Pastor's Office Hours 9:30 am -12 pm  
Women's Book Study 9:30 am  
Choir Practice 7:00 pm - 9pm
- 28 Maundy Thursday Worship at Zion KUMC 6:00pm
- 29 Holy Friday Worship at Asbury 7:00pm
- 31 Easter Worship Service 9:30am



Dear Asbury Church Choir Members and Music Enthusiasts

We are excited to bring you the latest news and updates from our beloved Asbury Church Choir! Our dedicated choir has been working tirelessly since February to share the gift of song, and we were thrilled to reunite and glorify God again during last week's worship service. Here's what's happening in the choir this month:



Weekly Choir Practice:

Please remember that our choir practices are held every Wednesday from 7-9 PM and Sunday morning from 8-9 AM at Asbury Church. We encourage all members to attend regularly and punctually, as your commitment contributes to beautiful harmonies and an inspiring worship experience.



Welcoming New Members:

We feel incredibly blessed to welcome new members into our choir family. If you or someone you know has a passion for music and wishes to serve the Lord through song, please join us during our practice hours or contact our music director to learn more. New members of all ages and skill levels are always welcome!



Asbury Music Director:

As the Asbury Music Director, I am honored and privileged to guide our choir in fostering an uplifting and spiritual atmosphere for our congregation. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. I am always here to provide guidance and support.



Prayer Requests and Support:

As we continue to cultivate and nurture our choir community, we encourage everyone to keep each other in their prayers. If you have any prayer requests or need support, please feel free to share them with us. We are here for you, and together, we can uplift one another.

Thank you for your dedication to the Asbury Church Choir. May the Lord continue to bless our ministry and guide us in our mission to spread His love through music.

Sincerely,

Hanna Noh  
Music Director, Asbury UMC  
857-231-0567



**The deadline for the April Newsletter is Thursday,  
March 25, 2024.**

**Thank you!**

## EASTER FLOWERS

*Orders are being taken for Easter Flowers.*

*The flowers this year will be assorted spring plants.*

*The cost is \$12.00 per plant and checks are to be  
made out to "Asbury United Methodist Church"  
and clearly marked Chancel Guild.*

**The deadline for requests is March 21st,  
even if you are mailing.**

All checks and orders should go to

Becky Arnold

80 Massasoit Drive

Warwick, RI 02888

(H)781-2111 ~ (C)935-5906 ~ rsarnoldrn@gmail.com

### 2024 Easter Flower Order

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel# \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor  
of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory  
of: \_\_\_\_\_

By (As you wish to be listed)  
\_\_\_\_\_

No. of plants: \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed payable to Asbury or  
cash: \_\_\_\_\_

Want Plant \_\_\_\_\_ Do not want Plant \_\_\_\_\_

# Help us grow

**Electronic Giving is a convenient, consistent way to help our church grow.**

Consider scheduling a recurring electronic contribution today. It's easy! You will no longer need to write out checks and prepare envelopes every week. Even when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, your electronic contributions will continue to be received on an uninterrupted basis.

**Get started today!**

Please visit our website and click on the giving link.

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www.asburyumcri.org/](https://www.asburyumcri.org/)

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# RECIPE CORNER



**Harvard Beets with Pineapple**  
by, Eleanor Schultz

- 2 T. brown sugar
- 1 cornstarch
- ¼ tsp. salt
- 1 can pineapple & syrup
- 1 T. margarine
- 1 T. lemon juice
- 1 (1 lb.) can sliced beets

Cook first six ingredients until thickened and shiny. Add beets and continue to cook until beets are heated through. A nice change from the norm.



**Clam Chowder**  
by, Debbie Lang

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- 2 cans chopped clams
- 4 potatoes, diced
- ½ c. onion
- 1 c. light cream
- 2 c. milk
- ½ c milk with 3 T. flour
- 4 strips of bacon

Cook the bacon until crisp in a large saucepan. Drain the clams and add enough water to the reserve liquid to measure 2 cups. Add the reserve liquid, onion and diced potatoes and simmer until potatoes are tender. Add clams, milk and cream. Stir ½ cup milk mixed with flour and bring to a bubble. Simmer on low for 20-30 minutes. Add salt and pepper to taste and a dash of Worcestershire sauce. Garnish with crumbled bacon

## BIBLE MEMORY VERSE CARDS



Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.  
Hebrews 13:8



This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.  
Psalm 118:24, ESV

The LORD is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.  
Psalm 145:9, NIV



Be strong and courageous... for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.  
Joshua 1:9, ESV



Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.  
Proverbs 3:5, NIV



Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.  
Matthew 22:37, NIV





**TEDDY BEAR MINISTRY**

Everyone loves a teddy bear. There is just something about giving or receiving one of those furry animals that says you're loved and thought about. Our bears in church are waiting to be taken and given to someone special. This can be given for a joyful occasion like a special birthday, birth of a child, anniversary or any other celebrations.

They can also be given to someone who is having a bad week or just needs to be cheered up or a person who is not feeling well, or a person who has lost a loved one, or a special pet, people who are moving to a new location as well as people in a nursing home or in the military.

Anywhere and everywhere that the teddy bear will put a smile on a person's face is where our bears belong. Our bears are all over the United States and the world.

So think of someone and feel free to share a bear. If you do take a bear and would like to bring one back please feel free to give to any member of the church and ask that they pass it on to Linda Cameron.

Enjoy that warm and fuzzy feeling that bears can give. Blessings to all who take and receive our warm and fuzzy friends.

Linda Cameron



**Clear Plastic Water Bottle Caps**



We have begun to collect clear plastic bottle caps from water bottles or white soda bottle caps. These caps will be used to make medical tubing for cancer patients at the American Cancer Society. This is a worthy cause! Please save your caps and bring them to church to the attention of Linda Cameron.

Thank you!



**ASBURY BAGS OF CARING  
(ABC BAGS)**

The Women's Group has put together more bags to take and give to someone that is in need of some hygiene products, snacks and etc...

**DON'T FORGET TO ORDER  
YOUR EASTER PLANTS!!**

**PILL BOTTLES**

Joan White is still collecting empty medicine/pill bottles.

**FOOD PANTRY BOX**

We have a food pantry box set up by an Eagle Scout on the Fair Street side of our property. Feel free to leave a donated can in the box; if you are food insecure please take something for yourself.



Free Little Pantry



### **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