

Pray for: all impacted by COVID19; Mike and Rosalie Hames (passing of son, Brad); loved ones of Steve Butler; Mindy Dahlhauser; Dean Carden (by-pass surgery); Cooper Corrow and family; Jan Malmstrom (heart); the Stanley family; Trendi Moss; Nikola Jans (baby w/heart problems); Marj Nass; Garry Staley; Tom Rittscher; Marcy Maass; a young stroke victim; Linda (cancer); Don Bottorff; Dr. Sahai; Hannah Brandt (teen cancer warrior); Bradley (chemo); Jennifer Van Diest; Anita Gaul; Kyzer Stanley; Sherry Lambi; Tim & Caroline Bailey family in Romania **Please keep us updated with your prayer requests—Thanks!**

Socially Distanced Meet-and-Greet with Pastor Phil

Pastor Phil would like to meet Asbury members who feel comfortable doing so. Choose a date/time from the options below and call/e-mail the church office to reserve your spot. Each date is capped at 9 people. The meetings will take place outside unless weather doesn't allow. *Show love and consideration to other participants: please wear a mask.*

Sunday Dates: Aug 23 (full); Aug 30 – 5:30pm

Tuesday Dates: Aug 25 – 11am

Wednesday Dates: Aug 26 – 5:30pm

Call: 515-832-5369

E-mail: asburyumchurch@hotmail.com

Clarification: In the August Newsletter there was misleading info in the Personal Dignity Kit item list. Midwest Mission lists a need for a “Bath Hand Towel”. The needed item is a hand towel, **not** a bath towel. Thank you!

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Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship (based on Ex. 1: 8-2: 10; Ps. 124; Rom. 12: 1-8; Matt. 16:13-20)

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord our God,

People: the Maker of heaven and earth,

Leader: who comes to our aid in times of need,

People: who gives us the courage to do what we know is right,

Leader: who invites us to turn away from the influences of the world around us and confess Him alone as Saviour and Lord.

People: This is our God! Let's worship together.

Gathering Hymn #189 (UMH) *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Prayer Creator God of Motives and Thoughts, of Words and of Deeds, of our Hearts and of our Souls; Open our hearts that we would be present to You in our worship this day. You are the One by Whom we are saved. We confess that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of the Living God. Forgive us when we lose sight of this truth by our own shortsightedness, or by clinging to things that were never of You. When our thoughts and hearts are overcrowded by competing voices and loyalties, give us the wisdom and ability to jettison them away from our hearts and souls. Let us focus daily on You as the Savior Messiah. Empower us to grow in grace and likeness of Jesus, our Lord, that we may bear fruit worthy of Your Kingdom. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray all this to You, O God, in the name of our Sovereign Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen!

Scripture of God's Providence Psalm 124

Hymn of Reflection #2226 (TFWS) *Bind Us Together*

Children's Time Jennifer Sullivan

Anthem

Scripture of God's Revelation Matthew 16: 13-20

Sermon Jennifer Sullivan

The Lord's Prayer *Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

Giving of Ourselves

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Sending Hymn #550 (UMH) *Christ, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Benediction

Postlude