Asbury United Methodist Church Loving...Serving...Transforming Lives

"A Family Affair"



Mission Statement

Love God and one another, serve our community, and transform lives.

Vision

A radically inclusive community, empowered to spread God's love throughout the world.

Beliefs

We believe all are created in the image of God. We believe God loves everyone and through Christ saves-revives-renews the world. We believe God through the Holy Spirit changes lives. We believe the church is the body of Christ with a mission. We believe the Bible is the word of God. We believe that God has gifted everyone and the church for the purposes of God. We believe discipleship is a continuing journey.

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday – Thanksgiving Sunday

November 23, 2025 ~ 10:00 AM WORSHIP (In-Person & Online Worship Service)

†† = Those who are able may stand AAHH = African American Heritage Hymnal – Yellow Hymnal UMH = United Methodist Hymnal – Red Hymnal

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Dr. Ronald Bell, Jr.

†GATHERING HYMN Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us (381 UMH)

MORNING PRAYER Alejandra Singh

PRAYER RESPONSE Praise Him, All Ye Little Children...Carey Bonner

SCRIPTURE READING Gen 31:45-55 Noah Humbard

Psalm 46 Ronald Bell, III

SERMONIC SELECTION Way Maker....Osinachi Okoro

Asbury Youth Choir David Bell (pianist)

SERMON "A Family Affair" Rev. Dr. Ronald Bell, Jr.

Lead Pastor

†INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP Give Thanks

INVITATION TO GIVE Sarita Copeland

OFFERTORY SELECTION Come Jesus Come....Stephen McWhirter

Nadia Watts-Michaels (soloist)

†DOXOLOGY Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

†SENDING HYMN O How I Love Jesus (170 UMH)

†BENEDICTION Rev. Dr. Ronald Bell, Jr.

POSTLUDE God Leads His Dear Children Along...G. A.. Young

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Minister of Music: Everett Williams, Jr.
Pianist Director: Steve Key
Music: Asbury Youth Choir, Nadia Watts-Michaels (soloist), David Bell (pianist),
Liturgists: Alejandra Singh, Noah Humbard, Sarita Copeland, Ronald Bell, III
Trustee On Duty: James Gary

Asbury's Week At-A-Glance

Sunday, November 23, 2025

9:00 am—All-in-One Sunday School, Ages 4-12, 3rd fl., Room 208 10:00 am — Worship Service (in-person and online via Livestream, Link), Dial In: 301-715-8592, Meeting ID: 861 5564 3955, Passcode: 123456

11:30 am – Book Reading & Book Give Away, 3rd fl.

Monday, November 24, 2025 3:00 pm — Asburyan Deadline

Tuesday, November 25, 2025

11:00 am—Office Weekly Staff Meeting, via Zoom

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

12:00 pm - Prayer Ministry, Mid-Week Intercessory Prayer, Call: 1-717-908-1986, Access code: 933-092, submit prayer request to: prayer@asburyumcdc.org

Thursday, November 27, 2025

Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 28, 2025

Saturday, November 29, 2025



From The Senior Pastor's Desk NOVEMBER 2025

Word for the Month:

Have you ever been caught by the way sunlight suddenly reflects off of something ordinary?

A windowpane, a puddle, a brass handle—and just for a moment, it glows. And in that fleeting shimmer, something deep within you pauses? The object itself hasn't changed, but somehow, in that light, it feels alive—like it's been touched by something distant yet near, holy yet familiar.

That's the heart of this series: **Moments and Miracles.**

Our goal has been to peer into moments of the Old Testament—those miraculous and history-shifting scenes—and to look again, until we see not just the event but the **reflection** of the coming Christ **shimmering** through it.

If we can train our eyes to see Christ there—where His name was not yet spoken—then maybe we can also learn to see Him here: in our own lives, our own ordinary moments, our own quiet miracles.

Because **grace**, like sunlight, has a way of showing up where we least expect it.



Asbury United Methodist Church is a Lighthouse Congregation of the Baltimore Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church.



Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am — 3:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am — 1:00 pm (Office Closed)

Parking Instructions

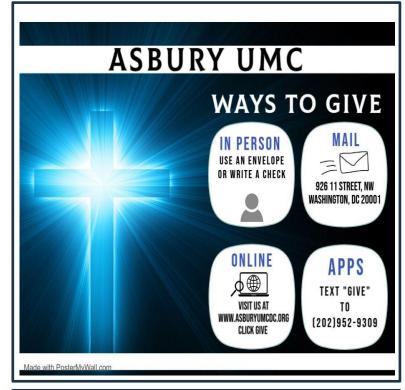
Monday—Friday

Asburyans and guests, on church business, should park in the parking garage and bring the printed parking ticket with them to be validated in the church office. Park on levels P2 or P3 and take the elevator to the "G" level to exit the building (to the left toward 11th Street). Drivers will scan the front of the ticket (invoice) and then scan the back (the payment). Push the call button if you have any issues and the LAZ Garage Staff will assist you.

Saturday & Sunday

Parking is available on Saturday and Sunday until 4 pm (unless otherwise noted). Park on levels P2 or P3 and take the elevator to the "G" level to exit the building (to the left toward 11th Street). The church provides parking passes (half sheet paper passes) to use as you exit the garage. You must give the parking attendant your printed ticket and the parking pass.







All members and friends are cordially invited to join us on Sunday mornings for spiritually uplifting lessons and thought-provoking discussions.

We meet in the Library at 9:00 am each Sunday morning.

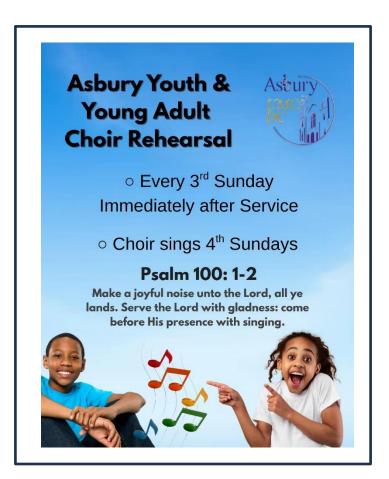


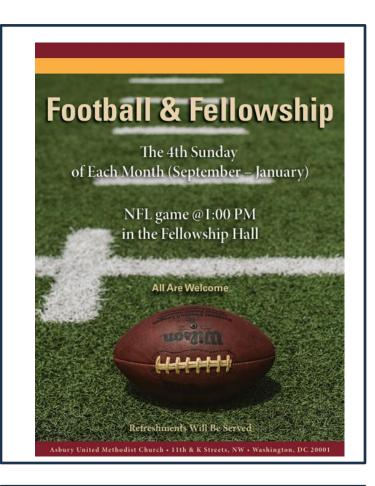
JOIN US EVERY SUNDAY AT 9AM
ON THE 3RD FLOOR

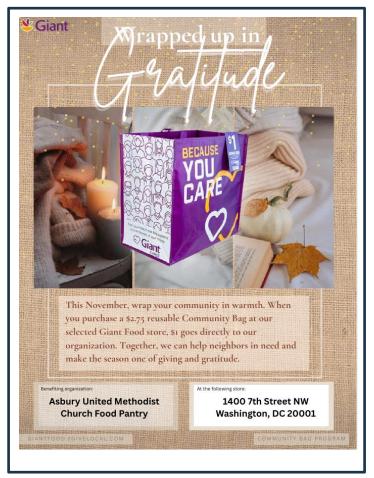
CLASSES FOR ALL AGES

Nursery thru 2nd Grades 3rd - 5th Grades Tweens/Teens













Decorating Gingerbread House and Cookies

December 6, 2025

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Children of all ages are invited

RSVP by November 30

Vanessa Williford at Williford v@hotmail.com







"For our community"

I'm sharing this because a lot of us are feeling it right now — groceries are high, time is short, and our families still gotta eat.

If you use SNAP/EBT, DoorDash and LIVEFREE are offering **\$0** delivery **+ \$0** service fee on ONE

grocery order this month from select SNAP-enabled stores. This is real support. Real dignity. Real help for our communities.

Use code: **SNAPDD**

Order here: bit.ly/SNAPDD

Please pass this on to somebody who could use the blessing.

@DoorDash @livefreeusa

#SNAPDD #ProjectDASH #BlackFamilies #CommunityCare

#LIVEFREEUSA #DoorDash #ProjectDASH #SNAP #FoodAccess #FoodJustice #CommunityCare

Why This Matters

More than **40 million Americans** — including **16 million children** and **8 million seniors** — rely on SNAP benefits to eat.

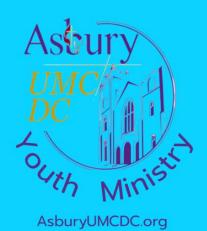
Food banks across the country are struggling to meet rising demand.

Through this partnership, we're bringing immediate relief to families in need — helping them save money, reduce travel, and get food directly to their homes with dignity and ease.

This isn't just about convenience — it's about community care, resilience, and justice.

Together, LIVEFREE USA and DoorDash are making sure families can focus on living, not just surviving.

Jouth Weekend Retreat



2026 Theme — BELONG

March 20-22, 2026 Ocean City, Maryland







IGNITE for the Youth — A holistic, transformative experience for young people that includes fellowship, worship, learning, and service components. In addition, young adults will be lending their service and mentorship through the IGNITE Squad.

Asbury Youth Ministry will cover all room & event registration expenses for all youth (11-17 years old) who wish to attend.

Please RSVP by 15 January to ensure tickets and rooms are secured by contacting the below:

Sarita Copeland • (202) 302-9632 • saritamsingh13@gmail.com Chance Humbard • (301) 751-7178 • chance.a.humbard@gmail.com

https://www.igniteforyouth.com



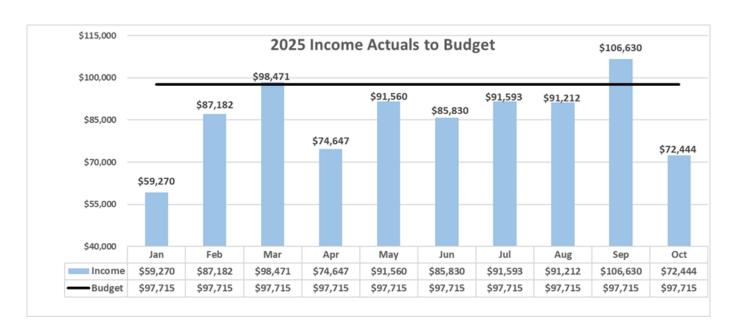
"TREE FOR THE FUTURE" CAMPAIGN

I'm blessed and proud to help write a new chapter for Asbury Enclosed is my gift of: (Please circle)

Bronze leaf - \$	180 Silver	· leaf - \$380	Gold leaf - \$580
Medium acorn - \$780	Medium rock - \$98	30 Large acorn - \$183	36 Large rock - \$2016
Wording (no more than 9	•	•	
From:			
Name			
Address			
Contact information			
Please send acknowledg	ment to the follow	wing:	
Name			
Address			
Contact information			

For further information, contact Martrice Green, 202-397-3451 or <u>martrice69@verizon.net</u>; or René Carter, 202-442-7928 or <u>JCarter@nea.org.</u>

THE STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING



Faithful Today, Impactful Forever: It's Homecoming Season. Celebrating 189 years of ministry.

Dear Asbury Family,

As your Finance Chair and Stewardship Chair, we want to **THANK YOU** for your ongoing generosity. Your giving makes our ministry possible week after week, month after month. For 2025, we are on track to end the year in a financial deficit as we have met our targeted budget amount for two months this year. The needs of our community are great and our commitment to serving those needs is steadfast.

We can end 2025 'in the black' with a balanced budget. Your generosity allows this ministry to be a blessing to others. Together, we can demonstrate what it means to be **Faithful Today**, **Impactful Forever**.

With gratitude,

Robert J. Corbitt, Jr.

Robert J. Corbitt, Jr.

Chairperson Committee on Finance

Darryl Wyles

Darryl Wyles

Stewardship Chairperson



"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Matthew 28:19-20

THE UPPER ROOM — DAILY READING		GETTING AROUND	
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23 MATTHEW 7:7-12	Thursday, November 27 John 11:38-44	♦ There is an elevator in the Education Building that accesses all levels of the church—the sanctuary, the fellowship hall, and all the Sunday School rooms.	
Monday, November 24 Isaiah 40:25-31	FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28 1 TIMOTHY 1:12-17	 Free parking is available Sundays in the garage adjacent to our 11th Street entrance. Pick up a parking pass from the 11th Street reception desk. 	
Tuesday, November 25 Ecclesiastes 3:1-8	SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29 1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-26	 Restrooms are on the lower level on either side of the narthex and on the 2nd and 3rd floors. 	
Wednesday, November 26 Proverbs 16:1-9			

Asbury United Methodist Church

Rev. Dr. Ronald Bell, Jr., Lead Pastor

Everett P. Williams, Jr., Minister of Music

Tawana C. Jackson, Stephen Minister

Valentine Davies & Monica McEaddy, Lay Leaders

Rev. Dr. Johnsie Cogman, District Superintendent

Bishop LaTrelle Miller Easterling, Episcopal Leader of the Baltimore-Washington Conference

Visit asburyumcdc.org for information about our ministries. Find us on Facebook and Twitter.

926 11th St., NW, Washington, DC 20001 ~ 202-628-0009 ~ asburymail@asburyumcdc.org

Monday-Thursday ~ 8:00 am-3:00 pm / Friday ~ 8:00 am-1:00 pm Teleworking (The Office is Closed)