

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
LOVING...SERVING...TRANSFORMING LIVES
NOVEMBER 17, 2024 ~ 10:00 AM (IN-PERSON & ONLINE SERVICES)

“Mission Minded”



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

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 17, 2024 ~ 10:00 AM WORSHIP (IN-PERSON & ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE)

†† = Those who are able may stand

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills
†INTROIT		<i>Steal Away to Jesus....Negro Spiritual</i>
†GATHERING HYMN		<i>Leave It There (522 UMH)</i>
MORNING PRAYER		Christian Watkins
PRAYER RESPONSE		<i>Whisper A Prayer....Anonymous</i>
OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	Ezekiel 34:11-16	Ruth Scarbrough
†GOSPEL LESSON	Matthew 25:35-40	Bernice Harleston
SERMONIC SELECTION		<i>Lord, I Love You, Yes I Do... Raymond Wise</i>
SERMON	“Mission Minded”	Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills Senior Pastor
†INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP		<i>I’m Available to You (insert)</i>
INVITATION TO GIVE		Ruth Scarbrough
OFFERTORY SELECTION		<i>Move Me...Richard Alan Henderson</i>
†DOXOLOGY		<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>
†SENDING HYMN		<i>Siyahamba (We Are Marching) (164 AAHH)</i>
†DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING		Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills
POSTLUDE		<i>I Don't Feel No Ways Tired... Curtis Burrell Everett Williams</i>

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Minister of Music: Everett P. Williams, Jr.

Music: Asbury Ensemble

Liturgists: Bernice Harleston, Ruth Scarbrough, Christian Watkins

Trustee On Duty: Canardo M. Richardson

I'm Available To You

Written by Carlis Moody

Performed by Rev. Milton Brunson and The Thompson Community Choir - 1988

Verse 1

You gave me my hands to reach out to man
To show him Your love and Your perfect plan
You gave me my ears I can hear Your voice so clear
I can hear the cries of sinners, but can I wipe away their tears?

Verse 2

You gave me my voice to speak Your Word
To sing all Your praises to those who never heard
But with my eyes I see a need for more availability
I see hearts that have been broken, so many people to be free.

Verse 3

Now I'm giving back to You, all the tools You gave to me.
My hands, my ears, my voice, my eyes, so You can use them as You please.
I have emptied out my cup so that You can fill me up
Now I'm free, and I just want to be more available to You.

CHORUS

Lord I'm available to You.
My will I give to You.
I'll do what You say do.
Use me Lord to show someone the way,
And enable me to say
My storage is empty,
And I am available to You

Asbury's Week At-A-Glance

Sunday, November 17, 2024

9:00 am—All-in-One Sunday School, Ages 4-12, 3rd floor, Room 208

9:00 am—Adult Sunday School, Library

10:00 am — Worship Service (in-person and online via Livestream, [Link](#)), Dial In: 301-715-8592, Meeting ID: 861 5564 3955, Passcode: 123456

Monday, November 18, 2024

3:00 pm — Asburyan Deadline

Tuesday, November 19, 2024

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

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

7:00 pm—Church Council and Finance Meeting, via Zoom [Link](#), Dial-In: 301-715-8592, Meeting ID: 814 6394 1055, Passcode: 665544

Thursday, November 21, 2024

Friday, November 22, 2024

Saturday, November 23, 2024

2:00 p.m.—CAAPA Mine Eyes Concert , 301 Largo Rd, Largo, MD 20774



From The Senior Pastor's Desk

November 2024

Word for the Month: WITNESS

Scripture of the Month: Book of James

Thought for the Month: Change your church culture. Create an outwardly focused environment where hospitality and invitation happen Sunday and every day of the week. This book offers five steps to help congregations go public with their faith—from service projects to sharing the faith with persons who want to know more about Christ and the church. This book offers tactics to increase individual and church competency with relational evangelism with friends, neighbors, and even strangers. Learn how to start up a conversation, follow up with contacts, and navigate unfamiliar settings. Learn what works and what doesn't.

We may think that just because we invite someone on our church property, they'll come back. Often we don't reach out to help people cross the faith line, because we're uncomfortable with "evangelism" or just plain scared. Gain the confidence to share the good news boldly. After all, we know the name of the One who loves us all and who holds all power over heaven and earth.

Emphasis for the Month: EVANGELISM

Pastor's Book of the Month: *Get Their Name: Grow Your Church by Building New Relationships* by Bob Farr, Doug Anderson, and Kay Kotan.



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.**



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www.youtube.com/c/AsburyUMCDCNewChannel

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zoom

Dial-In: (301) 715-8592
Meeting ID: 861 5564 3955#
Password: 123456#



WAYS TO GIVE

you can conveniently give this week
in the following ways:



IN PERSON

use an envelope
or write a check



ONLINE

visit our website
www.asburyumcdc.org
Click GIVE button



TEXT

text "GIVE"
to (202)952-9309



MAIL

send check to
Asbury UMC
926 11th St NW
Washington, DC 20001



Adult Sunday School

Adult Members and Friends! Are you looking for a new avenue of spiritual enrichment, refocus or additional clarity? Come, join us at Asbury for Sunday School. We have just begun our 2024 Fall series and discussions have been enlightening and uplifting. We invite you to join us on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the church library.

For more information, contact Patrice Blackman, patriceghb@gmail.com or 301-922-9020.

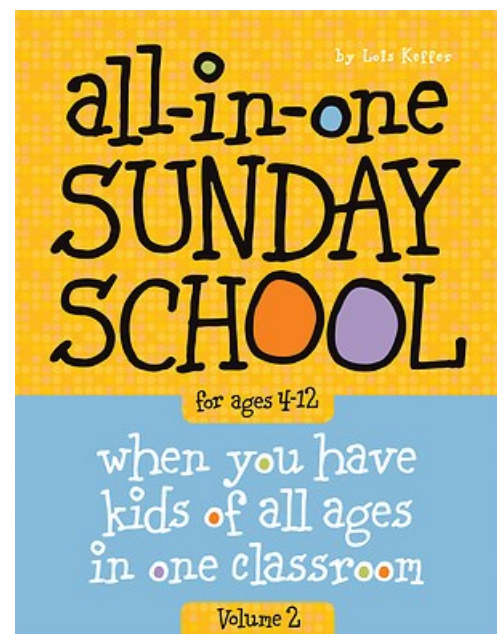
All-in-one Sunday School

Sunday Mornings

Ages 4-12

9:00-9:50 am

Located on 3rd floor, Room 208





Today is Missions Sunday

*On this special day, we lift up two of Asbury's Missions Ministries:
The Food Pantry and Neighbor to Neighbor Sunday Outreach.*

The Food Pantry distributes bags of groceries every 3rd Saturday of the month to low-income individuals and families residing in the downtown DC area and also provides bags of lunch to our unhoused neighbors.

The Neighbor-to-Neighbor Sunday Outreach provides a bag breakfast, underclothes, toiletries, and in the cold weather months, thermals, hats, and gloves to our unhoused neighbors every 4th Sunday of the month. We also have a medical team that provides medical services to those in need.

Both of these ministries thrive on generous contributions and support from volunteers, fellow Asburyans, and partnerships.

We extend an invitation to you, Asburyans, and Friends to engage in and support these vital Ministries that support families and individuals in need throughout our community.

To learn more about these ministries, and ways you can support, flyers are posted in today's bulletin.

Peace and blessings,
Jeanarta McEachron and
Jackie Richardson
Missions Ministry Co-Chairs





Serving Our Asbury Community

Ways to support:

***Sponsor a Family through our SHARE Food Initiative
(25.00 monthly / 150.00 half year / 300.00 for a year)**

****Donate: Toiletries, women's and men's under garments, thermals, hats, and gloves for
our unhoused neighbors***

***Volunteer**

Food Pantry: Every 3rd Saturday of each month: 9:00 a.m. till noon

Neighbor to Neighbor (N2N): Every 4th Sunday of each month: 9:00 a.m. till 11:00 a.m.

****Financial Donations are always welcome***

For more information contact: Mission Ministries Co-Chairs:

Jeanarta McEachron: 202-669-2653 or jeanarta.mceachron@gmail.com or

Jackie Richardson: 703 493-8856 or richcj77@aol.com.

Asbury Celebrates National Family Caregivers Month



Signs Your Loved One May Need Help

The holidays are a great time to spend with family and loved ones. It's also a good time to check in with older family members and friends to ensure they are living safely on their own, or to determine if they need assistance. Here are a few things to consider during your visit:

1. Personal appearance- are they experiencing weight gain or weight loss? Are they keeping up with their personal hygiene?
2. Is their home tidy and easy to navigate with no safety hazards that will cause a trip or fall?
3. Are they maintaining good activity levels, or do you notice a decline in mobility?
4. Is their pantry and refrigerator well stocked with fresh fruits and vegetables? Are canned goods and dressings properly stored and are within the recommended "best/use by" date to ensure the best quality?
5. Do you notice the mail piling up with an opened letters or bills?

If taking medications, do they have an organized system to ensure they are taking the correct medication at the right dosage?

Listen carefully to your loved ones and pay attention to their needs so you don't miss the signs that additional care is needed.

Saturday, November 23, 2024



Coalition for African Americans in the Performing Arts (CAAPA)
"Bringing Color to the Classics!" presents

MineEyes: Festival of Choirs



Choral Conductor's Champion Awards
Jason Max Ferdinand
and **Ocie S. Banks**, *Chorale Director*
Saturday
Nov. 23, 2024
2:00 pm



VIP Ticket \$60.00

Includes Reserved Seating • Early Access Avoid Lines
Name on VIP List in Program • Podium Recognition
PROGRAM ADS & SPONSORSHIPs Available

General Admission \$25.00

Youth & Students FREE

Click here for tickets or cut & paste into web browser.
<https://www.pgcc.edu/about-pgccc/events/event-details/caapa-presents-mine-eyes-festival-of-choirs.php>



301 Largo Road, Largo, M
Call for info **301-839-1444**

Featuring the
CAAPA



Generations Chorus
with **Maestro Everett P. Williams, Jr.**

Guest Choirs

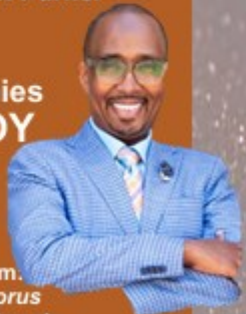
The Artist Group Chorale
with **Kelvin Page**

T3NORS

**Prince George's Community
College Concert Choir**
w/ **Dr. Kyumg Park**

**Maya Angelou French
Immersion MS Chorus**
with **Pamela Simonson Parker**

Featuring the
Master of Ceremonies
PATRICK D. MCCOY



Invited Singers from:
The Washington Chorus
Heritage Signature Chorale
Community Chorus of Baltimore

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Wednesday, November 27, 2024
Thanksgiving Eve Virtual Concert



THE T3NORS
Thanksgiving Eve
Virtual Concert

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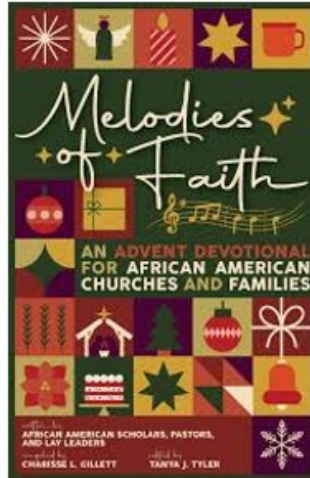
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7:00 PM

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Melodies of Faith

An Advent Study



Melodies of Faith: An Advent Devotional for African American Churches & Families is more than a devotional—it's a journey through the heart of the holiday seasons, designed to deepen your faith and bring your family closer together. Daily reflections from distinguished contributors guide you through the sacred seasons, offering hope, peace, joy, and love. Engage with scripture and music that celebrate the rich heritage and traditions of the African American church. Thought-provoking reflection questions encourage meaningful conversations at home and in church communities. Special litanies, prayers, and songs for Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany enrich your worship experience. Join us in celebrating the miracles of Advent, the joy of Christmas, and the revelations of Epiphany with this beautifully crafted devotional.

Join a Study/Discussion Group

Dates: December 1- January 6

Wednesdays, 8:00 a.m. (on Zoom)
Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m. (on Zoom)
Time TBD (on Zoom)

Carol Travis
Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills
Rev. Carmen Collette

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Rev. Dr. Ianther M. Mills, Senior Pastor

Offering Envelope Announcement

Dear Asburyans:

We constantly look for ways to save on expenses and devote more resources to missions and “*transforming lives.*” Every year, printed offering envelopes are purchased for all members. We are aware that many of you no longer use envelopes and instead use online platforms to share your tithes and offerings. This year, we are asking you to indicate your preference for receiving envelopes. This will save money for Asbury and help preserve the environment for us now and generations to come.

Please complete the form below and drop it in the offering plate or call the Church Office, Monday-Thursday (8 am-3 pm) to request/decline printed offering envelopes. We must have your response no later than **November 17**. Envelopes will be available for pick-up as usual, beginning December 29, following morning worship.

Help us save money and preserve the environment.

Offering Envelope Response

- I want to continue receiving printed offering envelopes.
- I no longer want to receive printed offering envelopes.

Name _____

Envelope # _____

Date _____

All responses are due no later than November 17, 2024.

THE STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING

Financial Update: 2024 Year-to-Date Giving Summary

Grace and Peace Faithful Asburyans,

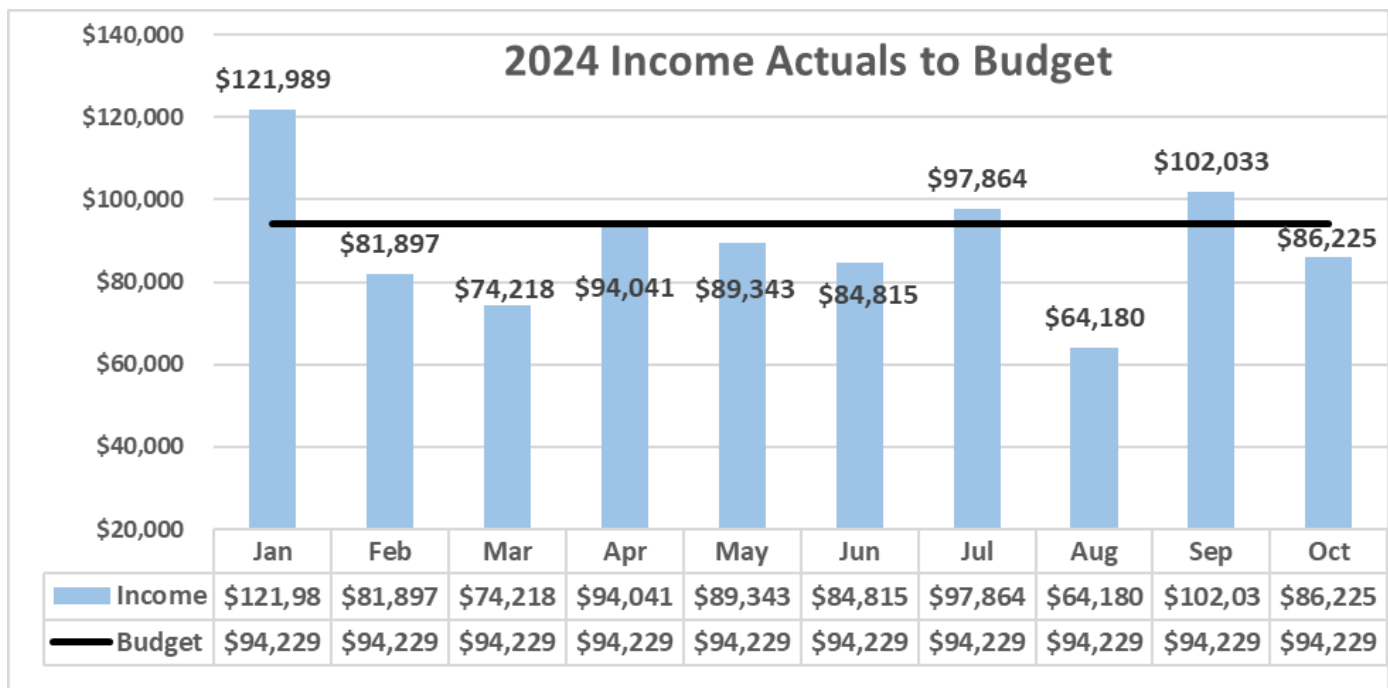
Thank you for your past and ongoing stewardship! During the State of the Church meeting in June, Asbury’s financial team shared that the 2024 monthly budget **giving target is \$94,229** (see the solid line in the graph below). Your gifts support Asbury’s operations and the impactful ministries that serve our community. **Through November**, we have met this target only 3 months this year (not counting the generous gift from the Vivian Campbell estate in February). Now, more than ever, we need to increase our contributions to get back on track. We ask you to prayerfully consider increasing your gifts so we can reach our monthly financial goal and end 2024 in a healthy financial position.

Robert J. Corbitt

Robert J. Corbitt, Jr.
Finance Committee Chair

Darryl Wyles

Darryl Wyles
Stewardship Chair





“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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17
PHILIPPIANS 4:10-13

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18
PSALM 126:1-6

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19
HEBREWS 2:1-4

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20
ROMANS 12:1-8

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21
PSALM 34:17-22

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22
ISAIAH 41:8-17

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23
MATTHEW 6:5-15

GETTING AROUND

- ◆ 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.
- ◆ 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.
- ◆ Restrooms are on the lower level on either side of the narthex and on the 2nd and 3rd floors.

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Everett P. Williams, Jr., Minister of Music

Tawana C. Jackson, Stephen Minister

Rev. Irene Pierce, Bereavement Minister

Bishop Forrest Stith, Retired Bishop in Residence

Valentine Davies & Monica McEaddy, Lay Leaders

Rev. Dr. Johnsie Cogman, District Superintendent

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

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

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