

**ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**LOVING...SERVING...TRANSFORMING LIVES**  
**FEBRUARY 2, 2025 ~ 10:00 AM (IN-PERSON & ONLINE SERVICES)**

**“Facing Your Why”**



**BLACK  
HISTORY  
MONTH**

**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**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY/BLACK HERITAGE SUNDAY**  
**February 2, 2025 ~ 10:00 AM WORSHIP (IN-PERSON & ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE)**

†† = Those who are able may stand

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**\*\*\* The majority music sung this month will be by black composers and arrangers. \*\*\***

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills
†INTROIT		<i>Bless the Lord.....Andrae Crouch</i>
†GATHERING HYMN		<i>We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder (464 AAHH)</i>
MORNING PRAYER		Rev. Clyde Nelson
PRAYER RESPONSE		<i>Keep a-Inchin' Along....traditional</i>
CHILDREN'S MOMENT		Ruth Scarbrough
SCRIPTURE READINGS	Jeremiah 1:4-10 1 Corinthians 13:1-13 Luke 4:21-30	Rev. Clyde Nelson Tawana Jackson Christian Watkins
SERMONIC SELECTION		<i>Amazing Grace....arr. Evelyn Simpson-Curenton</i>
SERMON	<b>"Facing Your Why"</b>	Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills
†INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP		<i>Hush, Hush, Somebody's Callin' My Name (556 AAHH)</i>
DEDICATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS		Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills
HOLY COMMUNION		Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills & Rev. Clyde Nelson
COMMUNION HYMN		<i>The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power (256 AAHH)</i>
INVITATION TO GIVE		Robert Corbitt & Darryl Wyles
OFFERTORY SELECTION		<i>Is There a Word from the Lord....Glenn Burleigh</i>
†DOXOLOGY		<i>Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow</i>
†SENDING HYMN		<i>Sweet, Sweet Spirit (326 AAHH)</i>
†DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING		Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills

**WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

*Minister of Music/Organist: Everett P. Williams Jr.*

*Music: Asbury Ensemble*

*Liturgists: Rev. Clyde Nelson, Tawana Jackson, Ruth Scarbrough, Christian Watkins*

*Trustee on Duty: Renee' Carter*

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING FOR BLACK HERITAGE SUNDAY**

The Lord be with you.

**And with Thy Spirit.**

Let us pray

**It is right, and good, and with joyful prayers, always and everywhere to give thanks for the beginning of all things; O Creator God You made the earth round, rich and fertile; the mother of all life, the seedbed of all growth, You bent low and gently gathered up a handful of clay and shaped it “into your own image”, wonderfully and intricately blew into it, until it became the Human soul.**

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD GOD OF POWER AND MIGHT, HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST. BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.**

When human cruelty reared its ugly head, you sustained your people and made it possible for us to survive the middle passage, auction blocks, whipping posts, and forced labor. You softened the hearts of many who worked in secret on our behalf. You lifted our heads with the message that God sides with the oppressed, and delivers the captives. You strengthened our hands to struggle for justice and freedom.

And so with your people on earth:

Moses and Miriam,

Lydia and Paul,

John Wesley and Francis Asbury,

Harry Hosier and Aunt Betty,

Harriet Tubman and Frederick Douglas,

Charles Tindley and Mary McLeod Bethune

Martin Luther King Jr. and Rosa Parks.

All, who amidst great travail, stayed the course, kept the faith and became the yeast of which we rise and prosper. Even their descendants, like we, at Asbury, formed in your image, carrying the stars in our eyes, the moon in our hearts, and the cosmos in every breath, we your people join their unending hymn:

**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD GOD OF POWER AND MIGHT, HEAVEN AND EARTH ARE FULL OF YOUR GLORY. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST. BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD. HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST.**

You touched us with goodness and beauty. Yet we resisted your touch and attempted to shape ourselves. So we have become encompassed by greed, blinded by injustice, broken with grief. But again, and again, you send your Spirit, to renew us and your earth, to gather our brokenness and despair into new hope and turn us into an ALLELUIA.

Loving God, in the fullness of time, you sent us salvation. You gave us Jesus, who dared to feed the hungry and welcome the outcasts, who healed the sick and challenged the privileged, who announced that a new reign of love had begun. He promised to send the Spirit, told us we would never be alone, and continues to say, "Peace be with you."

On the night he gathered his friends together, he took bread, the stuff of life, the blessing of the Son, gave thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, broken and given for you. He also took the cup, the fruit of the earth, the blessing of the rain, and said "Drink from this, all of you, for this announces my new covenant."

**CHRIST HAS DIED; CHRIST IS RISEN; CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father (God), now and forever.

**AMEN.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP**

**Pastor:** Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

*(The celebrant breaks the bread)*

The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

*(The celebrant lifts the cup)*

The body and blood of Christ given for you.

**ALL:** *(All partake of the communion elements together while the Asbury Ensemble sings)*



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## Asbury's Week At-A-Glance

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### Sunday, February 2, 2025

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, February 3, 2025

3:00 pm — Asburyan Deadline

### Tuesday, February 4, 2025

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

### Wednesday, February 5, 2025

7:00 pm—Worship Team Meeting, via Zoom, [Link](#) Dial-In: 301-715-8592, Zoom Meeting ID: 817 2238 1385, Passcode: 362894

### Thursday, February 6, 2025

### Friday, February 7, 2025

### Saturday, February 8, 2025

5:00 pm—Rev. Dr. Wallace Smith Retirement Celebration, Shiloh Baptist Church, 1510 9th St. N.W., Washington, DC. 20001

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## From The Senior Pastor's Desk

### February 2025

**Word for the Month:** DREAM

**Scripture of the Month:** Luke 10:25-37

**Thought for the Month:**

It's Time to Share the Dream. . .

Dr. King and the men and women around him were able to change history through the power of a dream that was not rooted in mere human principles. That dream was rooted in the love of God for all his children made in his image.

Share the Dream® is a six-session video Bible study (streaming code included) based on the life and teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Each session revolves around one of the biblical principles that shaped Dr. King's life and motivated him to speak on behalf of African Americans in the Civil Rights Movement: Love, Conscience, Justice, Freedom, Perseverance, and Hope.

Be a part of the Share the Dream® movement that's helping a new generation understand, live, experience, and form a community around the unifying principles at the heart of the dream to which Dr. King dedicated his life.

**Emphasis for the Month:** SOCIAL JUSTICE

**Pastor's Book of the Month:** Share the Dream: Shining a Light in a Divided World Through Six Principles of Martin Luther King, Jr. by Matthew Daniels and Chris Broussard



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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# ONLINE

**LIVE /  
STREAMING HD**

[www.asburyumcdc.org](http://www.asburyumcdc.org)  
Click WATCH LIVESTREAM

**You Tube**

[www.youtube.com/c/AsburyUMCDCNewChannel](http://www.youtube.com/c/AsburyUMCDCNewChannel)

**f LIVE**

[www.facebook.com/asburyumcdc/](http://www.facebook.com/asburyumcdc/)

**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](http://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 2025 Winter/Spring 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](mailto:patriceghb@gmail.com) or 301-922-9020.

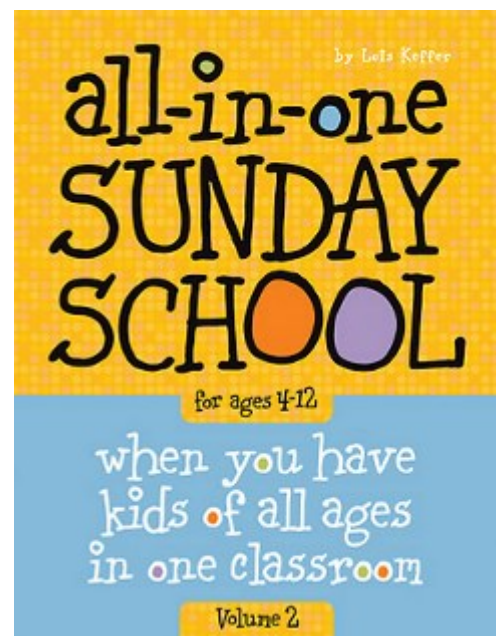
## All-in-one Sunday School

Sunday Mornings

Ages 4-12

9:00-9:50 am

Located on 3rd floor, Room 208







*Altadena United Methodist Church in Altadena, Calif., is reduced to rubble after the Palisades and Eaton fires swept through southern California. Photo by the Rev. Garth Gilliam, district superintendent, California-Pacific Conference.*

## **Disaster Relief Response to Fires in California**

As wildfires continue to devastate communities in Southern California, UMCOR has provided emergency relief funding to the California-Pacific Annual Conference for food, water, and essential supplies for evacuees and to bolster local volunteer efforts. They will continue to offer support throughout the long-term recovery. Altadena United Methodist Church located in the historically black Altadena community is one of the churches that was fully loss in the fires.

If you want to help, there are multiple options:

- Give to UMCOR to support this disaster response effort. [Give now.](#)
- Assist the California-Pacific Annual Conference directly. [Learn more.](#)
- Give to Altadena United Methodist Church directly. [Learn more.](#)



January 22, 2025

**Dear Beloved Members of Asbury United Methodist Church,**

As we step into 2025, our hearts are filled with gratitude for the incredible generosity and faithfulness of our congregation. Thanks to your commitment and collective efforts, we ended 2024 by meeting our budget obligations—a testament to the strength of our faith community.

This year, our stewardship theme, "**Faithful Today, Impactful Forever,**" invites us to reflect on the importance of sustained giving and the lasting impact it has on our church's mission and ministries. We are called to live out our faith through action, ensuring that Asbury continues to be a beacon of hope and transformation for our congregation and the community we serve.

As we embark on this journey together, we encourage you to prayerfully consider your commitment to giving throughout the year. Consistent giving ensures the ongoing success of our ministries, eliminates the need for last-minute year-end campaigns, and allows us to plan effectively for the future.

**Commitment Sunday: February 16, 2025**

We invite you to join us for **Commitment Sunday** during the 10:00 a.m. worship service, where we will present and consecrate our **Estimate of Giving Cards** for the year ahead. If you are unable to attend in person, please mail your completed card to the church office before February 16:

Asbury United Methodist Church  
926 11th St NW  
Washington, DC 20001

Let us move forward in faith, embracing the opportunities before us, and ensuring that Asbury continues to thrive for generations to come. Together, we can make 2025 a year of meaningful impact and enduring faithfulness.

With deep appreciation for your unwavering dedication,

*Robert Corbitt*

Finance Chair

*Darryl Wyles*

Stewardship Chair

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(202) 628-0009 asburyumcdc.org



## REMINDER



*Membership Profiles  
due by  
Sunday, February 16, 2025*

**YOU CAN COMPLETE YOUR PROFILE IN 3 WAYS:**

- 1. FILL OUT THE FORM YOU RECEIVED IN THE MAIL**
- 2. ON ASBURY'S WEBSITE PRINT THE FORM AND COMPLETE**
- 3. ON ASBURY'S WEBSITE CLICK ON THE ONLINE FORM.  
FILL IT OUT AND CLICK SUBMIT.**

**YOU CAN RETURN YOUR COMPLETED PROFILE IN 2 WAY**

- 1. MAIL IT TO CHURCH USING THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE**
- 2. RETURN COMPLETED PROFILE IN THE ENCLOSED ENVELOPE AND DROP IT IN  
ONE OF THE DESIGNATED BOXES LABELED 'MARC' OR THE OFFERING  
BASKET DURING SERVICE.**

*For assistance call the church office  
(202) 628-0009*

*or Email*

*Sandra Ware - sandyk4755@yahoo.com  
Judy Jackson - jax164@msn.com*

**“JAF CIVIL RIGHTS PILGRIMAGE”**

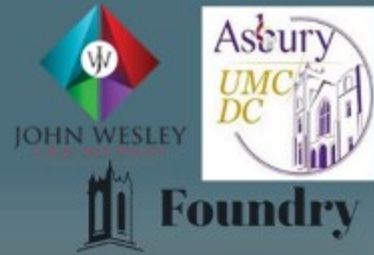
**Birmingham, Montgomery, and Selma, Alabama  
From Atlanta, Georgia**

**Congregations of**

**John Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church  
Asbury United Methodist Church  
Foundry United Methodist Church**

**June 16 – 21, 2025  
[5 Nights / 6 Days]**

*“JAF is committed to challenging the unjust power structures  
that support oppression and are working for equality in all  
areas of life.”*

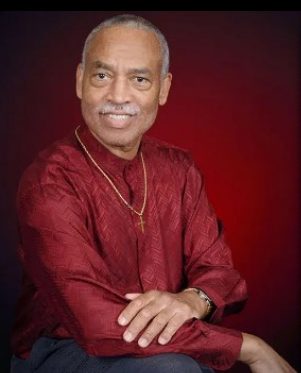


**MARS Tours and Travel**

**“Southern Civil Rights Tour: Echoes of Justice”**

Website/Registration Link: <https://takeafuntrip.wetravel.com/trips/southern-civil-rights-tour-echoes-of-justice-mars-tours-and-travel-50727806>

- ◇ Reservation Due by February 1, 2025 – No Deposit is Due at the Time of Online Registration
- ◇ First Deposit Due by April 17, 2025 - \$750.00
- ◇ Second Deposit Due by May 7, 2025 – Determined by the Room Occupancy Rate Category
- ◇ Final Deposit Due by June 2, 2025 – Determined by the Room Occupancy Rate Category



**BLACK  
HISTORY MONTH  
CELEBRATION**



**SUNDAY  
FEBRUARY 16, 2025**

**10:00 AM**

**ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
926 11th STREET NW | WASHINGTON, DC 20001**



**Asbury** UMC  
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**“A Celebration and Conversation”  
Honoring Our Pillars of Faith**  
February 23, 2025 @ 10:00am and 12:00 noon



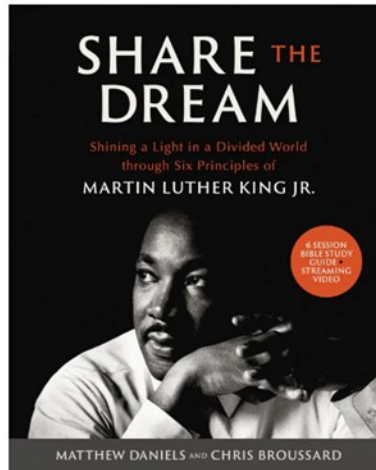
**HONORING**

**BISHOP FORREST C. STITH  
BISHOP MARCUS MATTHEWS  
REVEREND IRENE C. PIERCE  
REVEREND JAMES M. SHOPSHIRE, PH.D  
REVEREND DR. IANTHER M. MILLS**

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

# LENTEN *Bible Study*

**Begins  
March 1**



*Shining a light in a Divided World  
through Six Principles of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.:  
Love, Conscience, Justice, Freedom, Perseverance, and Hope*

**Kickoff Meeting: March 1, 10:00 a.m.**

**Join a Study/Discussion Group**

**Dates: March 4- April 12**

Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m. (on Zoom)	Rev. James Shopshire Sr., PhD
Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. (on Zoom)	Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills
Wednesdays, 8:00 a.m. (on Zoom)	Carol Travis
Wednesdays, 6:00 p.m. (on Zoom)	Min. Christian Watkins
Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. (on Zoom)	Rev. Clyde Nelson

Join Zoom Meeting

Click the link [Launch Meeting - Zoom](#)

Meeting ID: 851 4594 8597

Passcode: 430182

The book Share the Dream is available from Amazon, Christianbook.com, and Cokesbury.

**The Exposure Group of African American Photographers Association Inc.**

**present**

**"Colors of Life" Exhibition**



**WHEN:** Friday, January 10, 2025 until Sunday, March 2, 2025

**WHERE:** Photoworks at Glen Echo Park at 7300 MacArthur Blvd. Glen Echo, MD 20812

**Opening Reception:** Sunday, January 12, 2025 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm.

**Artist Talk:** “How Photographers Tell Stories”

**When: Sunday, February 2, 2025 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm**

**For Information Call:** Sandy Adams (240) 355-1348 or Bonita Bing (301) 461-1477

**The Photoworks gallery is free and open to the public on Saturday & Sunday from 1-4 PM.**

“*Colors of Life*”, now in its 8<sup>th</sup> year, celebrates the spectrum of members photographic genres, subject matters and life experiences inside and outside of the nation’s capital. From travel photography to landscapes, cityscapes, portraits, architecture, and photojournalism, this juried show is a visually impactful body of work that will fascinate anyone with an interest in photography.

**Featured photographers:** *Sandy Adams, RiShawn Biddle, Bonita Bing, Cleveland Bryant Jr, Zandra Chestnut, Jeanine Cummins, Rick Dean, W. Bruce Fagin, Sharon Farmer, Maurice G. Fitzgerald, Gail A. Hansberry, Marvin T. Jones, Karl Rudd, Edward Savvoir, Francesca Scott, Michael G. Smith, Derrick Tabor, and George Dalton Tolbert, IV.*

GLP-1 Agonists are a relatively new class of drug initially introduced in 2005 to treat Type II Diabetes. The drugs mimic hormones produced by the small intestine called glucagon-like peptides. They are approved by the FDA to help manage blood sugar in Type 2 diabetics. Since their initial approval, these drugs have been found to have many additional benefits and applications. Most notably, the class has become well-known and widely used to aid in weight loss for those with obesity. GLP-1 medications are most often given as a weekly injection, although a few require daily dosing. One is given as a daily pill.

How do the medications work?

- Trigger the production of insulin. Patients with diabetes may not produce enough insulin, leading to high blood sugar.
- Slow the release of the hormone glucagon, which helps raise blood sugar levels.
- Delay digestion so glucose from food is released into the bloodstream more slowly.
- Improve how the brain processes the feeling of fullness after a meal.

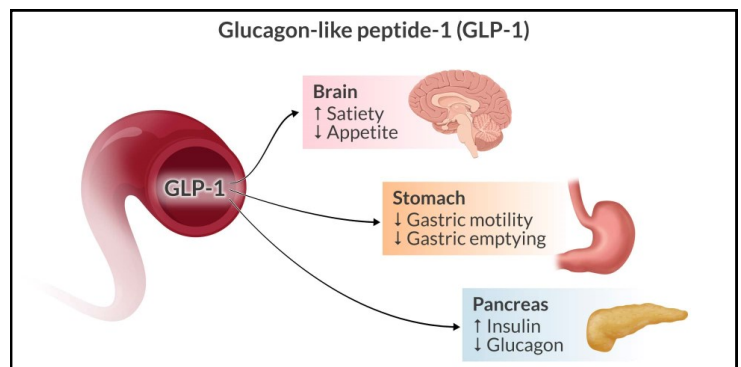
Additionally, this class of medication has powerful anti-inflammatory effects that make it useful for a wide range of illnesses. Most diseases that afflict humans are caused by inflammatory conditions, so these drugs have the potential to help treat many chronic diseases. However, since they have not been in use for very long, we do not know much about their long-term effects.

Research on GLP-1 medications has found these drugs may have the following benefits:

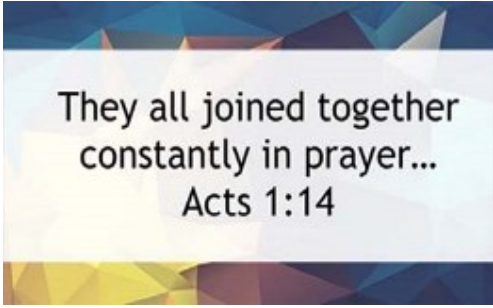
- Reduce hardening of the arteries
- Lower blood pressure
- Treat some neurodegenerative diseases (Ataxia, memory disorders, Parkinsons disease)
- Control diabetic neuropathy
- Slow the progression of chronic kidney disease
- Improve symptoms of osteoarthritis and rheumatoid arthritis
- Reverse some types liver diseases that were formerly considered irreversible
- Treat diabetic kidney disease
- Reduce the risk of Alzheimer’s disease
- Treat depression
- Combat drug addiction
- Decrease asthma attacks

Medication cost and availability have a major impact on access to GLP-1 drugs. Costs may be covered by some insurance plans, including Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Medicare, Medicaid and Cigna. If not covered by insurance, the drugs may cost over \$1,000 a month. Also, because the drugs are so widely used, medication shortages have made access even more complicated.

While these “wonder drugs” are a great resource, they do not replace the need for regular exercise, meditation, eating a nutritious diet, taking prescribed medications and following your doctor’s recommendations to maintain overall health.







**ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**Care and Concern List – February 1, 2025**

**When you care for others you are caring for Christ.**

**If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.**

**(2 Chronicles 7:14)**

**WASHINGTON, DC RESIDENCE**

**Northwest**

- ♥ Sharon Banks
- ♥ Lisa Duperier

**Northeast**

- ♥ Selma Douglas

**Southwest**

- ♥

**Southeast**

- ♥

**WASHINGTON, DC NURSING HOMES, HOSPITALS & ASSISTED LIVING**

- ♥ Gertrude Barnette, Lisner Louise Dickson Hurt Home, 5425 Western Ave NW, Washington, DC 20015
- ♥ Timmie Bouknight, Serenity Rehabilitation & Health Center, 1380 Southern Ave., Rm 319B, SE, DC 20032
- ♥ Mildred Robinson, Forest Hills Assisted Living, 4901 Connecticut Ave., NW, Rm 212, Washington, DC 20008

**MARYLAND RESIDENCE**

- ♥ Lina Reynolds
- ♥ Andrewlette Thompson

**MARYLAND NURSING HOMES, HOSPITALS & ASSISTED LIVING**

- ♥ Elisha Davies, Regency Rehab Center, 9101 Second Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910
- ♥ Lorraine Hightower, Independence Court of Hyattsville, 5821 Queens Chapel Road, Hyattsville, MD 20782
- ♥ Lillian Langford, Collington, 10450 Lottsford Rd., Mitchellville, MD 20721
- ♥ Floyd Robinson, Arbor Terrace Senior Living, 9885 Greenbelt Road, #322, Greenbelt, MD 20706
- ♥ Bernice Tillett, Arbor Terrace Senior Living, 9885 Greenbelt Road, #328, Greenbelt, MD 20706

**NURSING HOMES, HOSPITALS & ASSISTED LIVING**

- ♥ Maryland Ellison, 100 Asch Loop, Apt. # 22F, Bronx, New York 10475
- ♥ Dorothy West, 8804 South North Shore Drive, Apt. #230/232, Knoxville, TN 37923

## HELP!!!!

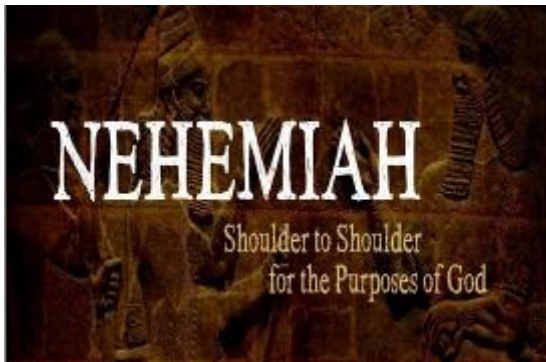
A message from the Membership Assimilation and Records Committee (MARC)  
DO YOU KNOW HOW TO CONTACT THE ASBURY MEMBERS LISTED BELOW?

**FEBRUARY 2025**

If, yes please use the address change cards located outside the Church Office to provide (an Address, Telephone Number, or Email Address) and deposit it in the box OR contact Sandra Ware at [Sandyk4755@yahoo.com](mailto:Sandyk4755@yahoo.com). **THANK YOU!**



**Carla Bradford, Terrance Bradford,  
Jasmine Featherstone, Ann Johnson, Lauren McNeil,  
Marian Moosa, Phyllis Thompson**



### THE NEHEMIAH FUND

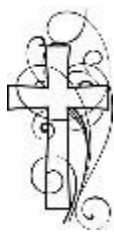
Thank you for your contributions to The Nehemiah Fund of Asbury United Methodist Church. The Nehemiah Fund provides emergency financial assistance to members of Asbury United Methodist Church and their immediate families who temporarily need help in meeting housing, nutritional, medical, security, or other essentials of daily living. In rare cases, the Fund may be accessed for burial assistance for members of Asbury United Methodist Church. The Fund may also be used to support needs of members of the community at large. The Fund is maintained by general and undesignated offerings made during the Communion offering on the first Sunday of each month or other period when an offering is taken associated with a Communion service at Asbury United Methodist Church. Requests for assistance are held in confidence and administered by our Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Ianther Mills.



The family of the late Sharon P. Banks and the late Mark W. Beane is deeply grateful for the outpouring of prayers, condolences, calls, cards, and offers of assistance from the members and staff of Asbury United Methodist Church. You, our church family, made this time of sorrow easier to us to move through.

With sincere appreciation,

DeAnna Banks Beane





“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, FEBRUARY 2**  
DANIEL 3:24-30

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3**  
EXODUS 3:1-12

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4**  
PSALM 121:1-8

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5**  
LUKE 6:32-36

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6**  
MARK 4:35-41

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7**  
PSALM 146:1-10

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8**  
DEUTERONOMY 11:8-15

**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.

**Asbury United Methodist Church**

Rev. Dr. Ianther M. Mills, Lead Pastor

Everett P. Williams, Jr., Minister of Music

Tawana C. Jackson, Stephen Minister

Bishop Forrest Stith, Retired Bishop in Residence

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