

## Opportunities For Work, Witness & Fellowship

**Sunday, August 20**

**Blessing of the Backpacks  
at both worship services**

8:30a Traditional Worship

9:45a MS Sunday School

**9:45a State of the Church**

11:00a Praise Worship

12:00p AAA Bible Study

**Monday, August 21**

6:30p Church Council

**Tuesday, August 22**

9:00a Exercise Class

12:30p CPR & First Aid Class

**Wednesday, August 23**

5:30p Praise Team

7:15p Wed Night Men's Group

**Thursday, August 24**

9:00a Exercise

5:45p PPRC

**Friday, August 25**

**Saturday, August 26**

**7:30a Men's Group**

9:30a Yearning for Yarn

**Sunday, August 27**

8:30a Traditional Worship

11:00a Praise Worship

12:00p AAA Bible Study

5:00p Confirmation Students & Parents

Meal & Meeting

## ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Just a Reminder ...

Sunday School begins September 10th.

Wednesday night meals begin September 13th.



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Office Hours

Monday-Friday  
8:00 a.m.—Noon



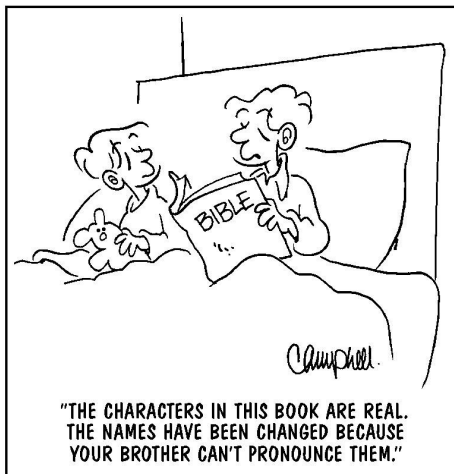
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**Asbury's 8:30 a.m. Worship Service**  
**is available on CD and Audio.**

Audio of each worship service is available to stream or download to your computer from the Asbury Facebook Page. A CD of the 8:30 worship service can be made available by request.

**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.



# KEEP THE FAITH

**ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Bettendorf, Iowa

August 20, 2017

8:30 a.m.

# Asbury United Methodist Church

Our vision is to passionately serve in the world because  
God so loved the world.  
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost – August 20, 2017 – Liturgical Color: Red

Sermon Series: “Little Books, Big Messages”  
Esther: August 6 – September 3

## GOD’S PEOPLE ASSEMBLE

Prelude “Gavotte” - M. Camidge  
Greetings, Introductions, and Attendance Registration

\* Congregational Introit “Not So in Haste, My Heart” vs 1 #455

### Call to Worship (Proverbs 16:3, 4, 9, 18, 21, 32)

The Lord has made everything for its purpose, even the wicked for the day of trouble.

**Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.**

The wise of heart is called perceptive and pleasant speech increases persuasiveness.

**Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.**

Pride goes before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall.

**Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established.**

One who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and one whose temper is controlled than one who captures a city.

**The human mind plans the way, but the Lord directs the steps.**

\*Hymn “Not So in Haste, My Heart” vs 2-4 #455

### \*Unison Prayer

O Lord, sometimes I get antsy. I get worked up and scared or angry and I want everything to just be better. Help me to be centered in your peace, a peace that passes all understanding. Help me to be patience. In the midst of storms and troubles, may I know without a doubt that you will see me through – in your own way and in your own time. Amen.

\*Response “Cry of My Heart” - refrain only #2165

## A TIME OF SHARING AND PRAYING

Passing the Peace of Christ  
Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer Hymn “Be Still, My Soul” vs 2 #534  
Silent Prayer - Pastoral Prayer - Lord’s Prayer

## READING AND PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Scripture Romans 8:18-25

Children’s Time The B-I-B-L-E  
*Children are asked to return to their seats after Children’s Time*

Special Music “Let All Things Now Living” - arr. Paul DCamp  
Deborah DCamp, soloist and Paul DCamp, flügel horn

Second Scripture Esther 5:1-14  
**Response: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon “Pride and Persistence”

## RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

### The Gathering and Presenting of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “Spirit of God/O Breath of Life” - arr. C. Berry

\*Response “Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” #95 alt. rhythm

### \*Prayer of Dedication

Lord God, you have created us for such a time as this. We give all that we have to you with a thankful spirit for the ways that you have blessed us amidst the joys and struggles of life. We return to you these gifts and pray that they may be used for others who wait with patience and longing for the coming of you Kingdom. Amen.  
Amen.

\*Hymn “Soon and Very Soon” #706

Spoken Benediction

\*Congregational “Amen” “Go With God” Phil Carver

Postlude “Voluntary in D” - W. Boyce

## Welcome to Worship

If you are a visitor from another congregation, we extend to you our greetings and hope you will join us again. If you are living in the Quad City area, and are not active in a church, we invite you to consider becoming active with us.

**Large print bulletins are available, please ask an usher for assistance.**

Located in each narthex, are details about activities of the church. Help yourself to the information. The church newsletter, *Good News*, lists current ministries and programs.

## Notes for Reflection

*As you worship, jot down notes from the sermon or any part of the service so that you may reflect on them during the week.*

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