

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:**

Traditional Service 8:30am  
Adult Class 9:30am  
Praise Service 10:30am  
Communion on October 6

**ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

# Good News

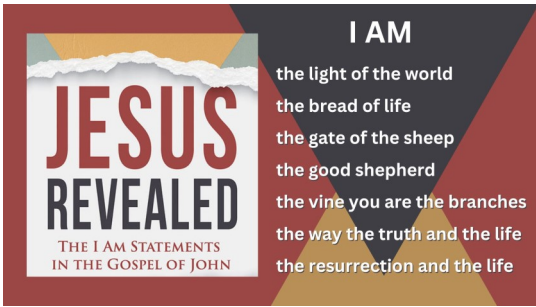


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**Our Mission:**

To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World

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**JESUS REVEALED**  
THE I AM STATEMENTS  
IN THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

**I AM**  
the light of the world  
the bread of life  
the gate of the sheep  
the good shepherd  
the vine you are the branches  
the way the truth and the life  
the resurrection and the life

## Jesus Revealed Sunday Sermon Study Series Continues through October 20

Please join us in worship as we wrap up our Sunday Sermon Study Series on the I AM statements of Jesus. Through the I AM statements Jesus describes himself with rich images, showing us that he is both fully human and fully divine. The profound truth at the heart of the I Am statements is that Jesus is light and life, who calls us to himself and offers us the hope of resurrection!



**World Communion Sunday on October 6** is a denomination-wide celebration emphasizing the value of education and training. We commemorate this day by supporting young adults who are making a global impact for Christ. Half of the offering benefits World Communion scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students from the U.S. and other countries. The remainder provides grants to support training for worldwide inclusion, diversity, equity, and access.

Your gift is a practical expression of care, equipping students to shape a hopeful future. Supporting United Methodist students offers both financial and spiritual encouragement, demonstrating the church's confidence in their potential. **On World Communion Sunday, we join ecumenically in acknowledging our unity in Christ as we gather around His table.**

Gifts may be made to Asbury UMC using the enclosed envelope or by using the mission field through our Online Giving at [JesusIsTheBridge.org](https://JesusIsTheBridge.org). For more information or to give directly go to [umc.org](https://umc.org).

**2024 Charge Conference...**The Annual Cluster Charge Conference with our District Superintendent, Rev. Brian Oliver, will be held at 2:30pm on October 6 at St. John's UMC in Davenport. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### UPCOMING EVENTS!....SAVE THE DATE!

Want to know more about Asbury? Thinking about membership? Want to meet some members and Pastor Tim?

If so, plan now to attend **NEWCOMERS on Sunday, October 27 from 9:30-10:30am** between the worship services.

Questions may be directed to Linda Manning or Pam Thornton.



**Blood Drive - November 11**  
2:00 to 5:30  
Contact Cheryl to Make an Appointment




**One Starry Night**  
*a journey to Bethlehem*  
**Mark Your Calendar!**  
**Sunday, December 8th**  
3pm - 5pm  
Contact: Marian Edmund-Paulson

**Grief Share Surviving the Holidays - November 18**  
There will be two separate sessions that evening.  
More details will follow in upcoming issues of the Good News.

### Participate in Asbury 2025

Asbury Congregation:

On October 20, the Leadership Team will be holding a retreat to look ahead to 2025. You can have a part in this process in two ways:

- Goals for 2025—We are asking for your input on church goals for the coming year. You can send your ideas to me at [dstedwell@gmail.com](mailto:dstedwell@gmail.com)
- In April we will be celebrating Asbury's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. You can be a part of the planning for this event by volunteering to work on a steering committee or simply sharing suggestions for events or activities. If you want to be a part of this milestone celebration please contact the church office or me.

I look forward to hearing your ideas for 2025 goals and for gathering a planning team for the anniversary. Your input is critical when the Leadership Team meets on October 20 to chart a course for our church in the new year!

Thank you, Dave Stedwell, Church Council Chair



**FALL-O-WEEN**  
**Trunk or Treat!**  
come dressed in your costume!  
Please note we changed the date!  
**OCTOBER 26TH 3:30-5:30**  
A FREE Community event hosted by Asbury UMC Bettendorf  
All are Welcome!



**Fall-O-Ween Adult/Teen**  
**Volunteers Needed**  
Oct. 26th 3:30-5:30



SCAN ME




**Lots of fun things to help with!**

- Decorate your car
- Fun Games
- Craft Station
- Snack Station
- Bounce House Attendant
- Setup/Tear Down
- Haunted House creation/setup

Sign Up is EASY!  
SCAN the QR code  
or go to [JesusIsTheBridge.org](https://JesusIsTheBridge.org)





## When to call 911— Important Information about Emergencies

### Provided by the Iowa Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

You may need to call 911 to report a crime or suspicious person, to assist someone who is injured and needs help, if you smell smoke or see a fire, if you or someone else is having a medical emergency, or if you suspect a crime is taking place. It is **NOT** appropriate to call 911 for local program information, to play a joke, or if you need help finding an address.

When you call, the dispatcher will ask you questions that help them determine the correct personnel and equipment that needs to be sent. The dispatchers will ask questions to ascertain information needed to send correct personnel. Be aware of your surroundings and be as detailed as possible. If a person is involved in the incident, a good description of what they look like and what they are wearing will be very helpful. While you answer these questions, the dispatchers are getting the information to the first responders. Do not hang up until the dispatcher tells you.

Carol and Cheryl have made a video (directed by Carrie Meumann) with safety information specific to the Asbury Church Building. You may watch the video by going to the church website. Go to "About Us". The drop down will give you the option of Parish Nurse/ Emergency Protocol. Click there and the link to the video is there. It's only a 3-minute video with a surprise at the end!! Check it out.

**Be Well Everyone! Carol and Cheryl**

## Missions

## AIM (ASBURY IN MISSION) .... "DOING GOD'S WILL"



Top of Brady Street Hill

### October Mission of the Month: Friendly Thrift Center

Open 9:00 am to Noon on  
Monday, Wednesday,  
Thursday,  
Friday and Saturday

The Friendly Thrift Center has served the Quad Cities community since 1970 when six Davenport and Bettendorf United Methodist Churches came together to form an organization of charitable, benevolent and educational purposes. Staffed completely by volunteers, the Friendly Thrift Center sells donated new & used clothing and household goods at very affordable prices to persons of need in the community. In addition, items are given without charge to individuals and families who are unable to pay even nominal charges. In the next Good News we will share more about the Friendly Thrift Center's mission, clients, and outreach policy.

If you are interested in joining a group of friendly, fun volunteers at the Friendly Thrift Center, please call them at 563-324-2235 or email [FriendlyThriftCenterQC@gmail.com](mailto:FriendlyThriftCenterQC@gmail.com). Also, without generous donations, the Friendly Thrift Center would not be able to offer their service or fulfill their mission. Please keep them in mind when donating clothing and household items! **There is a collection bin in the lower level of Asbury near the elevator for your convenience. Thank you!**

### Thank You for Your Service! † Asbury Doing God's Will!

Thank you to everyone who has displayed a **Do Unto Others** election season yard sign to promote kindness!

If you would like a sign for your yard, contact the church office at 563-355-5218 or [asbury@asbury-bett.org](mailto:asbury@asbury-bett.org)

- **Office Hours**....Asbury Office Hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00-Noon and afternoons by request. Please feel free to contact a staff member if you need assistance after hours.
- **RootsKids**....RootsKids Children's Ministry for 3-Year-Olds through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade meets on Sundays at both 8:30 and 10:30am. Contact Rebecca Erickson at [rebecca@asbury-bett.org](mailto:rebecca@asbury-bett.org) for more information. **Adult volunteers are needed.**
- **Element 412 Youth Ministry**...for youth in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade on Sundays at 6:00pm. Contact Becca Johnson at [beccaannejohnson94@gmail.com](mailto:beccaannejohnson94@gmail.com) to receive a schedule, emails and updates! **Adult volunteers are needed.**
- **Praises and Requests for Prayer**....may be submitted on our website by clicking on the "Prayers & Praise" button. If you would like to be part of Asbury's Prayer Team please contact Pam & Pat Thornton, Pastor Tim or the Parish Nurse Team.
- **Surprise Card Shower!**....Our friend and Asbury Charter Member, Betty Houston, will turn 100 years young on October 27. Please join us in showering her with birthday wishes. Cards can be sent to Betty or to the church office.
- **Congratulations!**....Pam and Pat Thornton on the birth of a grandson, Ethan David O'Neal, on September 9.  
Amanda, Kirk & Big Sister Madison Mueller and Great-Grandma Betty Houston on the birth of a baby boy, Liam Gregory Mueller, on Sept. 21.  
Marian Edmund-Paulson and Phil Paulson on the birth of a granddaughter, Lennon Jordon Wright, on September 23.
- **Thoughts of Sympathy**....Our prayers are with Connie Drexel on the death of her husband, Dean, on October 1.
- **Newsletter Deadline**....Items for the next Good News should be in the church office no later than **8:00am on Monday, October 21.**
- **Needed at Friendly Thrift Center**....The Friendly Thrift Center accepts donations at Asbury! There is a bin on the lower level near the elevator. New volunteers (regular or one-time) are welcome. Please contact the Thrift Center at 563-324-2235 or Julie Moran at 563-210-3472 if you are interested. **We are so thankful for the support we get from Asbury members!**
- **Hannah Circle**....All women are invited for fun & fellowship on the second Tuesday of each month! Next meeting is at **11:30am on October 8th.** Bring your lunch to Asbury Connections Café. Parish Nurse Carol Jackson will present a program on CPR. Everyone is welcome!
- **Rachel Circle** .... Next meeting is **October 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm** in Connections Café. The program will be on the services provided by Home Instead. Michele Green is the presenter. Please come and join this group of service-oriented individuals. Everyone is welcome—we love newcomers!!
- **Card Ministry**....Meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm in Room 118 on the lower level. Next meeting is October 9<sup>th</sup>. To learn more about Card Ministry, go to their Facebook page, the Asbury website or contact Alinda Littrel or Linda Dudgeon. You can help support Card Ministry expenses by purchasing their beautiful cards in the church office!
- **LIFT - Ladies In Fellowship Together**...Details of dates and events can be found on their LIFT Facebook page. You may also contact Jenny Bloomquist, Julia Hensch, Marian Edmund-Paulson or Stephanie Pim. All women are invited!
- **Asbury Men's Group**....In October and November meetings will be on the first and third Saturdays at 7:45am. Meetings in December will be on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Contact Cliff Pim (563-340-2722), Phil Paulson (309-502-9236) or the church office (563-355-5218) for more information or the **ZOOM** link. All men are welcome!
- **Foundation Gift Recognitions**....Thank you to Talbot & Angie Berry, Jon Gimmy and Pat Tulon for their recent gifts to the Asbury Foundation. For information on how you can guarantee a strong future for the life and ministry of Asbury through a gift to the Foundation, please contact John Rabine or the church office. **This is a thoughtful way to honor your birthday or other occasions.**