The Asbury Update
November 2015

Asbury Memorial
United Methodist Church
Rev. Billy Hester

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All Saints Sunday, November 1st

One of the most meaningful services in the church year is on All Saints' Sunday. We will be naming church members, family members, and friends who have died in the last 12 months. You are invited to bring flowers to the church in order to place a flower on the altar in memory of your Loved Ones. The flowers are then arranged and taken to Hospice House and to other places as a blessing to others.

Dreams, Commitment, and an Affirmation

Sunday, November 22nd is an important day for the future of our church and the future of our community. It is the day we say that dreams of a better world are important and worth pursuing. It is the day we make a financial and verbal commitment to pursue those dreams through the ministries of Asbury in 2016. We recently were blessed to have Paul Nixon visit us. Paul is a church consultant we have hired from Washington DC. Below are his reflections from the weekend with us. Let us do all we can to help this "amazing place" that Paul writes about.

"**Asbury Memorial Church is an amazing place.** Worship was full of iconic moments that embody the gospel, giving powerful memories that folks can carry with them all week, and across the months and years of their lives. It is also a place of amazing conversations, as we witnessed five times over the course of last weekend: conversations focused on children and families, hospitality, inclusivity, and growing ministry teams. I will be giving a report back to the church leadership and working with your leaders on multiple fronts in the remainder of the year. Thanks again for inviting me to interact **with your church and think with you about the further development of your ministry.**"

Hanging of the Greens

6:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 24th

Help us prepare the sanctuary for the
Advent & Christmas season on Tuesday, November 24 at 6:00 p.m.

"BIG COFFEE HOUR" November 1st!

We'll have our BIG Coffee Hour on November 1st. If you are able, please bring food items to share with others. You can drop them off in the kitchen when you arrive at church. Thanks!

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H A P P Y B I R T H D A Y !

Having a Birthday? Call the office at 233-4351 or e-mail us at church@asburymemorial.org.

N o v e m b e r

1st Dina Consentino
Jim McNew
Corey Moore
2nd Tangy Davis
Curtis Hanks
3rd Jeff Meraz
Nico Meraz
5th Dale Karacostas
Kristen Kelso
Sharon Page
6th Sam Crisp
Harry DeLorme
Laura Dowling
7th Jennifer Lindsay
Steve Magsig
8th Jame McCoy
10th Nelson Drake
L.A. Lanier
11th Neil Austing
Clemetine Braddock
Mary Kate Jump
Claire Knight
Ronald Mann
Olivia McIntosh
Martha Parsons
12th Elvin Arnold
14th Ward Lariscy Jr.
Rosser Redd
15th Lindy Carter-Walker
Sherry Hines
15th Christina Jones
Patrick Spivey
16th Barri Marshall
Debra Youles
17th Jackie Prescott
18th Tyler Gage
Andy Page
20th Joe Steffen
21st Manderly Arnold
Cindy Beauchamp
Lindsey Braddock
David Hill
22nd Judy Graham
Gretchen Hill
Alex Howell
Shanna Lawhon
Pat Moore
Kathy Oakley
Merri Orick
23rd Cliff Harley
24th Jay Eager
Vicki Harold
Laura Picone
Kevin Veitinger
25th Christina Focht
26th Karl Graham
Amy Stewart
28th Miriam McCord
29th Hannah Anderson
30th Ellie Covington

11/09 Richard & Claire Reeve
11/11 Dale & Pam Karacostas
11/14 Kevin & Ginger Veitinger
11/16 Bernie Colclasure & Charles Ennis
11/29 Fletcher & Betsy Woodward

Our last Wednesday Night Supper in 2015 will be November 18th.
Hope you will join us for supper!

The Church Office will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 26th and 27th in observance of the Thanksgiving holidays.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Asburian, Polly Wylly Cooper and Laura Lawton, on their latest book, *Savannah Guidebook.* The wonderful guide to restaurants, lodging, historic squares and landmarks contains a tribute to the late Emmeline Cooper, one of our great Asburians.

November

Wednesday, 4th – 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Wednesday, 11th – 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Wednesday, 18th – 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Saturday, 28th – 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

If you have any questions or need any information about our youth program, please contact Laura Angell, Youth Director, by email: lauraangell64@gmail.com

Children's Church Leaders

Grades K–3rd

Tom & Betsy Davis
Subs: Ashley Bolfik-Stroud

Grades 4th–6th

November 1st:
Dwight & Mary Ellen Campbell

November 8th:
Ruth & Liam Foster

November 15th:
Andy Page & Tricia Richardson

November 22nd:
Spencer & Carla Luke

November 29th:
KT Aull

Nursery Volunteers

November 1
Bonnie Kaar, Allie Spivey

November 8
Christy Crisp, Phil Devlin

November 15
Mary Ann Donahue, Linda Aiken

November 22
Tricia Richardson, Elizabeth Newkirk

November 29
Nancy Cvetan, Margaret Clay

Nursery services are provided for preschool children for the programs and services on Sundays and Wednesdays.
We are always looking for volunteers. If you would like to volunteer in our nursery, please call the church office.

ASBURY MEMORIAL'S PECAN & HONEY HARVEST

2nd Annual Celebration

Saturday, November 14th, 10am-4pm
Historic Madison Square (Bull at Macon)

FEATURING

Just-Harvested South Georgia Pecans
Homemade Pies, Pecan Crunch, Pecan Cheese Bites,
Whole Pecans, Shelled Halves & Pieces

Local Honey from Our "Heavenly" Bees

Refreshments at the Café &
Live Music for Your Entertainment

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Where the Joy of God is Expressed Creatively!

EDA Savannah

Are you struggling with an eating disorder? Do you know somebody who might be battling anorexia or bulimia?
There is help! Asbury has a support group for individuals who struggle with anorexia, bulimia and/or binge eating disorder.
Eating Disorders Anonymous meets on Monday nights from 7:30-8:30 in the choir room. It's an open group and everyone is welcome. People with eating disorders and friends and family members of people with eating disorders are welcome to attend the meetings. It is a confidential group and everything shared in the group remains in the group.
However, this is not a diet group for people looking to lose weight.
Questions, please contact Ruthie Deffley at 912-312-0079 or rdurandeffley@gmail.com

There is hope – YOU CAN RECOVER! But no one can recover alone.

BREEMA

Saturday, November 14th,10 a.m. till noon

Come enjoy Breema and then visit the Pecan & Honey Harvest! We will explore one of the Nine Principles of Harmony. This will include a short body-centered meditation, Self Breema exercises, and a Breema bodywork exchange. All are welcome in the Social Hall.

Mission Moments
November, 2015

Many thanks for the groceries for Wesley Community Center and for the donations for the flood victims in South Carolina. We collected $976 which is a great response.
We will be starting work on Saturday December 5th at 9:30 am at a home on Wolf St. a few blocks north of the church off Waters Ave. The owner is an elderly lady on dialysis who needs the outside of her bungalow painted. On December 5th we will be preparing to paint, removing ivy from the walls, cutting back bushes, and power washing the exterior. Replacing a broken window and repairing a screen. If you would be willing to help please call Margaret Cook Levy at 912-598-0558 or email margcook@earthlink.net
We will continue our collection of items needed for hygiene kits for the first couple of weeks in November. Hand towels are the most critical need.
We will have our Christmas Gift tree in early December when you will be able to choose a person in need to buy gifts for. Please do not buy more than the list requests or we get one child in a family getting twice as much as another. If you want to do more please make a financial donation so that we can buy gift cards for the parents. We need two people to work with this project.
Thank you for your generosity.
Mission Board

Savannah Rock and Roll Marathon

Asbury has a number of church members running in the Rock and Roll Marathon on Saturday, November 7. We offer our prayers for all the runners, participants, and supporters. We also pray for the charities that they are supporting.

2015 Christmas Fundraiser

Asbury Memorial UMC Youth

Order Form

Beautiful Fresh Frasier Fir Christmas Trees

Grade "A" Quality

Description	Price	# Ordered	Line Total
Garland (25')	$ 28		
Wreath (12")	$ 16		
Wreath (18")	$ 25		
7' to 8' Tree	$ 68		
9' to 10' Tree	$ 95		
	Total Order		

Please complete the information below:

Credit this Sale to Youth Member
Purchaser's Name
Street Address
Email Address
Phone #
Date Paid: Check #/Cash: Amount $

For more information, contact Youth Director, Laura Angell, at LauraAngell64@gmail.com

Pick up at 1008 East Henry Street (behind church)

Saturday, November 28th – 10:00 am until Noon

CAREGIVING 101

Oct. 19
2:00pm - 4:00pm
Monday

Oct. 31
10:00am - 12:00pm
Saturday

Nov. 16
2:00pm - 4:00pm
Monday

Dec. 7
2:00pm - 4:00pm
Monday

Dec. 12
10:00am - 12:00pm
Saturday

- ⇒ A two-hour class for non-professional (family) caregivers covering the core physical techniques of caregiving.
- ⇒ Learn to safely transfer a care recipient from bed to chair, commode or shower.
- ⇒ Learn practical tools to better deal with the emotional and physical challenges of caregiving.
- ⇒ Taught by qualified medical instructors, this class will provide hands-on training and provide time to have all your caregiving concerns addressed.

Location:
EDEL CAREGIVER INSTITUTE
6000 Business Center Drive
(off Chatham Parkway)

There is no cost for this class, however registration is required.

To register, please call 912.629.1331
or e-mail: info@EdelCaregiverInstitute.org

See our full course calendar at www.EdelCaregiverInstitute.org

Study Groups & Fellowship Groups

Asbury offers a wide variety of study and fellowship groups.

Reconciling Ministries Network

Facilitator: Lance Wilhelm

Reconciling Ministries will meet Sunday, November 8th instead of November 1st at 12:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. Wayne Bland will be facilitating this meeting. Wayne will be our 2016 Church Council Chair and we are so excited to have him share his passion with our group.

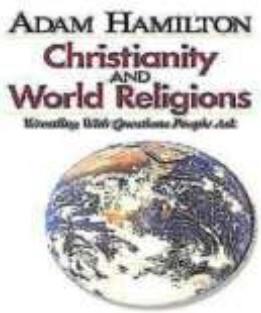
Follow all their news on Facebook @ Asbury Memorial Reconciling!

Christianity and World Religions

Facilitator: Rev. Grady Mills

Adult Study after WNS

Beginning September 16th



Christianity and World Religions: Wrestling With Questions People Ask is a video-based small-group study and outreach program that explores four major world religions- Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and Judaism – and compares the beliefs of each with those of Christianity. This six-week study deals openly and honestly with questions people ask about other religions, including why we should believe the claims of Christianity over those of other faiths. As part of the study, author and presenter Adam Hamilton interviews a religious leader from each tradition. He treats the world religions with great respect, recognizing the unique contributions of each.

In examining these major world religions and the beliefs of their followers, the Reverend Hamilton urges us as Christians to build bridges with others so that we might grow in our faith, seek peace in our world, love our neighbor, and find positive ways to share the gospel.

While books will not be a requirement for this 7 week study, they will give you a better experience and enhance participation. (available in the Church office for $6)

Busy Bees

Mondays

10 a.m. to noon

Do you like to sew? Do you like to fellowship? Busy Bees would love to have you join them on **Monday's. They have received a few donations of cloth and have received a few orders. They** are still in need of help for fabric. Any cotton fabric consisting of a yard or more is needed to mix and match the different sections of the doll. A doll consists of four yards of fabric.

If you can donate or have any questions, please contact David Grice at dgrice@comcast.net or Cindy Telljohann at cyndytel@gmail.com

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"Our Time"

A Fellowship Group for Parents with Young Children

Our Time, a small group for parents with young children, is now meeting during the 10 O'clock hour the third Sunday of every month. The purpose of the group is to bring parents together that are experiencing similar challenges in raising young children, develop community, study a book or Scripture together and support each other in our Faith through prayer and accountability.

The nursery will be open for those needing childcare. Please contact Ruthie Deffley at 912-312-0079 or rdurandeffley@gmail.com or Nick Deffley at 912-312-3555 or nicholasdeffley@gmail.com with questions or for more information.

The next meeting will be Sunday, November 15th, at 10:00 am. We hope you will join us!

Course in Miracles

Facilitator: Rev. Marilyn Leigh

Thursday's

4:30 to 6 p.m.

A unique, universal, self-study spiritual thought system that teaches that the way to Love and Inner Peace is through Forgiveness.

MEN'S GROUP

Thursday Nights

Asbury has a study, sharing & support group for men and meets every Thursday evening from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. All men are welcome. The group gathers on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.

For more information, email Dwight Campbell at dcampbell58@gmail.com, Bill Jahn at viajahn@gmail.com or Wayne Bland at wbland11541@comcast.net.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE!

Wednesday Night Suppers

You still have the option of either salad bar or hot meal with a small salad. Both options include a homemade dessert and roll.

In order to prepare we need your reservation!

- Go to our website www.asburymemorial.org and register
- Call the church office at 233-4351

Supper will begin at 5:45 p.m. - Serving stops at 6:30 p.m. RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED ON *MONDAYS*, NO LATER THAN NOON. Also, the type of meal must be selected at time of registration. If you do not make a reservation, you will need to wait until 6:15 p.m. so all who made reservations have been accommodated.

Adult Meal $6.00 or Adult Salad Bar $6.00 (1 trip only)

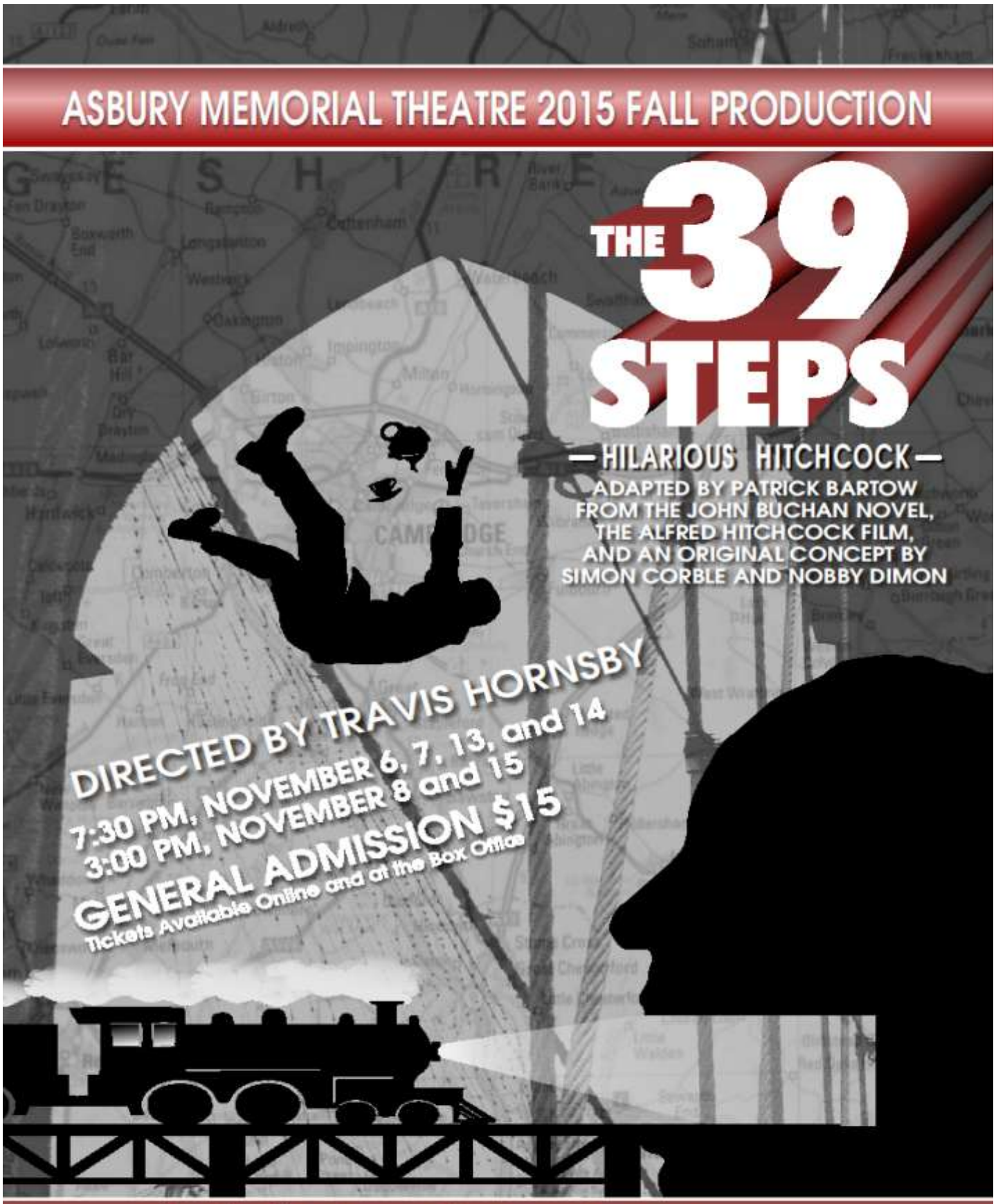
Child's Meal $3.00 (12 and under) or Child's Salad Bar $3.00

Menu

County Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans	Nov. 4th
Fried Chicken, Roasted Potatoes, Broccoli Casserole	Nov. 11th
Roasted Turkey, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes Extra Gravy	Nov. 18th

Thank you to our gracious Hospitality Team for providing us with such delicious suppers.

ASBURY MEMORIAL THEATRE 2015 FALL PRODUCTION



THE 39 STEPS

—HILARIOUS HITCHCOCK—

ADAPTED BY PATRICK BARTOW
FROM THE JOHN BUCHAN NOVEL,
THE ALFRED HITCHCOCK FILM,
AND AN ORIGINAL CONCEPT BY
SIMON CORBLE AND NOBBY DIMON

DIRECTED BY TRAVIS HORNSBY

7:30 PM, NOVEMBER 6, 7, 13, and 14
3:00 PM, NOVEMBER 8 and 15

GENERAL ADMISSION $15
Tickets Available Online and at the Box Office

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WHEN SHADOWS FALL

- *We extend our love and sympathy to Ellie Covington in the loss of her uncle, Gerald Strickland,*
- *We extend our love and sympathy to Cynthia Herold and Claudette DeLong in the death of their cousin, Cari Plyler.*
- *We extend our love and sympathy to Kay Deffley, Nick and Ruthie Deffley, Barbara and Danny Beam in the death of Kay's brother-in-law, Nick and Barbara's uncle, Jim Kurfess.*

Tri-Faith Service
November 21st, 11 am
At Mickve Israel

Rev. Hester will be participating in a Tri-Faith Service at Congregation Mickve Israel on Saturday, November 21. All Asburians are invited to this annual worship service officiated by Rabbi Robert Haas, Imam Majid Ali, and Rev. Hester. A luncheon will follow the service along with discussion about our faiths, relationships, and working together.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Members

Catherine Argyros, Jenniee Brannen, Jean Butcher, Thurman Butcher, Anita Clay, Carrie Collins, Mary Cronk, Gretchen Dodd, Carter Drake, Gay Gwinner, Chase Harrison, May Johnson, Judith Kessler, Cookie Leadbetter, Steve Magsig, Frances Monson, Marie Parker, Susan Powell, Barbara Schafer, Mina Smith, Cabell Stewart, Jean Stewart, Diane Williamson

Wildberries

Russ Boekenheide, Betty Cooper, Becky Martin, Liam Steffen

Family & Friends

Nathan Adams, Steve Amerson, Billie Bryant, Kathryn Burkett, Margie Cardinile, Betsy Cowperthwaite, Ed Crowder, Ted Daniell, Gail Delisa, Meg Dure, Doug Ellis, Wyatt Flagg, Mary Hargroves, Archie Iodice, Velma Jackson, Mark Kelso, Jeanie Knight, Betty Lord, Donny Malphrus, Alicia Mikell, Baby Mia, Rosie & Neal Newman, Janet Oliver, Theo Peterson, Kurtis Purtee, Lee Robinson, Kathy Smith, Joann Turner, Deanna Wooden

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MEMORIALS

A Gift has been given to the Trustees Fund in memory of Lillian Lindsay by:

Margaret and Jerry Robertson
March and James McCormack
Casey Shroff
Burke and Robin Watson, Jr.
Kenan and Brook Walker
Loyd R. Daniel, J. Patrick Lowe and Charles H. Daniel
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Anne W. Small and family
Mary Alice Garvin
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Etta Hannaford
Bill and Ann Anderson

A Gift has been given to the Choir Fund in memory of Lillian Lindsay by:
Joan Hester Byrd

HONORARIUMS

A Gift has been given to the Butterfly Fund in honor of Mary Prokop by:
Janet Wagner

2015 Budget Offering

October 4th - $11,972.61
October11th - $10,611.50
October18th - $7,346.65
October 27th - $9,792.76

2015 Budget Need to Date

$438,269.33

2015 Received to Date

$409,818.04

2015 Weekly Budget Need

$10,192.31

Chair Name Plate

As we worship on Sundays, how meaningful it is to see the name of a loved one etched into a nameplate on one of our beautiful sanctuary chairs. If you would like to remember or honor a loved one in a special way, complete an order form and turn it into the church office. Forms are available in the church narthex and the office. Please turn in a completed form to the office. The cost is $250.00. The funds are used for the upkeep and maintenance of the sanctuary.

(Two examples of nameplates for the chairs.)

Elizabeth Lariscy A Southern Lady By R. Ward	In Loving Memory of Dix Elliott

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Flowers in the Sanctuary

Supplying the flower arrangements for the worship service is a wonderful way to commemorate a date that is important to you or a loved one. Please check the 2015 Flower Chart in the narthex and sign up. The cost is $60. For more information call the church office at 233-4351.

Special Funds

One way to honor or to remember a loved one is with a memorial or an honorarium to some of our different funds such as the Trustee Fund, General Fund, Piano/Organ Fund, the Hester-Children Education Fund or one of our Mission Funds.

Newsletter Information

If you have an announcement for "The Asbury Update," please send it to the church office in writing by the 15th of each month. Contact Claudette DeLong, Office Manager at 233-4351 or email to church@asburymemorial.org Office hours are 9 AM to 2 PM, Monday thru Friday.

Mission Statement:

Asbury Memorial is a place where all people can develop their spirituality, use their talents, and grow in faith as we seek to love, serve, and celebrate God, each other, and our community.