

The Asbury Update

December 2021

Asbury Memorial Church Rev. Billy Hester

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Children's Ministries are Back...Beginning December 5th!



This Sunday, December 5th, during the 11:15 Church Service childcare and Children's Church are back!

We will have a nursery for newborn through Pre-**K and Children's Church** for K - 5th grades!

Children 3 and up are required to wear masks which will be provided if needed.

AND we will have childcare during the 2:30 Shane Claiborne workshop this Sunday.

Please do not bring your child to Church if they are showing any signs of illness.

I'm a big kid at heart and will be happy to answer any questions you may have. Let's get our kids together safely and see what the spirit will reveal! Ellie Covington, Director of Children's and Family Ministries ecovington@asburymemorial.org

With a grateful and thankful heart!

Here's a link to learn a little more about me if you're curious-

https://www.savannahbusinessjournal.com/news/nonprofits/ellie-covingtonappointed-director-of-children-and-family-ministries-at-asbury-memorial/ article_ac014c00-1d46-11ec-98b8-dfaba5522a32.html

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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

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1st Tim Guyer Dale Hughes 2nd Bryn Linton 3rd Ashelyn Carden Carol Chambers Brenda Steiner 5th James Hamrick Rachel Porter Frank Ramsev 6th Bonnie Kaar 7th Sandra Katz **Natalie Munro** 8th Carole Warfield 9th Beth Balance **Lilith Via Janet Wagner** lan Walker **10th Marty Coolidge Robert Crisp 11th Ruthie Deffley 12th Dallas Weathers 14th Dawn Bosche Harper Dalton Maggi Nicoletta 16th Virginia Holliday David Swanger 17th Payton Harn** Lawrence Staab **19th Joni Taylor**

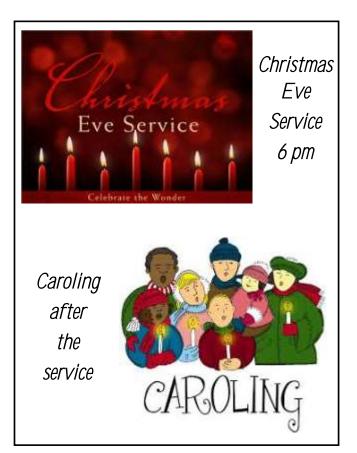
20th Wanda Davis Sullivan Jump **Ike Reeve 21st Holli Perry** 22nd Colin Stewart 23rd Suzanne Devlin **Mary Pulwarty 24th Pat Andres Chris Fahey David White 25th Roger Amerson Cheri Sheridan 26th Judy Amerson Eva Ciccodicola Carla Moore** 27th Barbara King 28th Kim Johnson **30th Christy Crisp**





December

1st Marsha & Jim Hargreaves 8th Erin & Aaron Dalton 8th Danny & Joseph Edwards 9th Neal Saye & Robert Smith 15th Beth & Jeramy Via 16th Charles Ennis & Bernie Colclasure 18th James Mullins & Charles Richardson 18th Val Osborn & Jim Utsey 20th Tim & Patty Steinhauser



Asbury Memorial Church Presents Shane Claibonne

Best-Selling Author / Speaker / Activist



Shane is co-founder of RED LETTER CHRISTIANS

a movement of folks who are committed to living "as if Jesus meant the things he said." He is a champion for grace...

> www.shaneclaiborne.com www.redletterchristians.org

Hear His Voice!

Sunday, December 5, 2021 @ 11:15 am

(In-person Service and Live-Streamed; a Love Offering will be Accepted)

Afternoon Workshop in Holliday Hall (time TBA)



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Here We Grow Again Please welcome our newest members who joined our family on 11/14/21



Libby Mills



Rev. Carole Warfield



Gregg Walther



Jill Walther

Children's Ministries are Back...



with LOTS of Opportunities

to Serve



Opportunities to Serve for adults and youth We are creating a support team to share the love of Christ and creation with all children.

Support team members needed:

• Hands on rotating in the nursery for newborns to pre-K (10:45 - 12:30, Sundays)

• Hands on rotating during children's church for K - 5th grade (10:45 - 12:30, Sundays)

• Grant writers, visionaries, organizers, education curriculum development, health and safety, cleaning, therapists, caregivers of all types, dreamers, doers, storytellers, arts and crafters, physical education, technology specialists, you name it!

I'm a big kid at heart and will be happy to answer any questions you may have. Let's get our kids together safely and see what the spirit will reveal!

If you have any interest in joining the children's ministry program please contact me here: Ellie Covington, Director of Children's and Family Ministries at

ecovington@asburymemorial.org

With a grateful and thankful heart!

JUST Housing Campaign Victory and Next Steps

On November 16th, the City Manager held the first budget session for the mayor and city council regarding the proposed budget for 2022. This included an outlined proposal for the use of American Rescue Plan Act funds. Here is a link to the <u>overview of the budget</u>. <u>Here is a video</u> where you will also hear some very familiar language regarding that investment.

* As you will see, this proposed budget includes exactly what we have been pushing for over the past several months. Using our exact language, the City Manager has proposed an investment of \$7 million of that funding into the Affordable Housing Fund as a downpayment in the plan proposed by the Housing Savannah Task Force!!

This is an extremely exciting proposal and next step, but we still have work to do in order to get a full victory! We need to make sure that the budget is approved as well as ensure that we know the target incomes for the funding that the trust fund will be receiving. We learned that the budget is expected to be voted on at the Savannah City Council Meeting on Thursday, December 9th at 2:00pm at Savannah City Hall.

✓ If you are able to show up to the Savannah City Council Meeting on Thursday, December 9th at 2:00pm in-person, please reply to this email or call me at (912) 324-4122 (Ext. 1001). We will have some of our members also giving public comments.

Asbury Angells Youth Group

As we wrap up Thanksgiving, we wanted to take a moment to extend a huge THANK YOU to all of you! The Asbury Angells Youth Group spent this fall season working on community projects to follow more closely the teachings of Jesus. "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me." We asked them to come up with the ideas for each monthly event themselves, and just take a look below at what their loving hearts and hard work accomplished!

Pet Food & Supplies Drive for the Humane Society

In September the youth group purchased/donated toys and supplies for the Humane Society in Savannah. Thanks to a very generous donation from Randy and Susan Bolinger, in memory of our own Laura Angell, and from another generous donation from our youth, Henry White, we were able to provide over \$300 worth of needed materials for our furry friends in the shelters.

It's Spooky to be Hungry – Food Drive

In October the Asbury Angells Youth Group sponsored our first annual *It's Spooky to be Hungry* event, a non-perishable food drive. You all made it an incredibly successful event! We delivered 16 – 2'x2'x3.5' boxes FULL of non-perishables to Wesley Oak Church and Second Harvest. The youth were thrilled at the participation of our congregations and communities! We thank you for your help and support and look forward to having the *It's Spooky to be Hungry* event each October!



Just a portion of the items collected

ThanksGIVING Dinner Giveaway

In November the youth held our first annual ThanksGIVING Giveaway where we pulled together 30 frozen turkeys, canned vegetables, macaroni and cheese, stuffing mix, rolls, and pies to supply 30 Thanksgiving Dinner Kits. Turkeys were thanks to help from friends at Food Fresh in Claxton, GA! We opened the event as a drive-thru on the Monday before Thanksgiving and we were completely out of kits within 50 minutes! All of the kits went to families in our local community. One youth after just a few minutes into the giveaway **event said, "This feels so good to help! It makes everyone so happy!" So THANK YOU for your financial** support, for spreading the word for us, and of course for your prayers during this event that turned into blessings not only for our community, but also for our youth.

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Asbury Angells Youth Group Continued

ThanksGIVING Dinner Giveaway







Christmas Toy Drive

In December, while we take a pause on Christmas Trees and Greens for one more year, we are still very busy! The youth group will be hosting our first Annual Toy Drive where we will collect toys and gift cards for families who could use a little Christmas blessing. Our first year will be a small event where we will connect with local schools to help direct some families our way. Each yearly event will invite families to come **"shop" at our church to collect some toys for Christmas or Holiday gifts. We hope this too will be a yearly** program that offers many blessings to our local communities.

We are so blessed by all of you and your support! The youth group works to share those blessings with as **many of God's people and creations as they can each year. We are thankful for Asbury Memorial, Wesley** Oak, and all the beautiful people who make this our home!

Finally, a special *thank you* to our youth – you all make us so very proud! Always know you are loved unconditionally! Merry Christmas and continued blessings to ALL!





Have you missed that beautiful opportunity to place your contribution in the offering plate on Sunday mornings? Well, have we got options for you! We have multiple ways for you to continue your support of Asbury Memorial and have listed them below. Thank you for your gifts!

Mail:

Mail your contribution by check to: Asbury Memorial Church 1008 East Henry Street Savannah, GA 31401

Website:

Log on to our website: www.AsburyMemorial.org

Click on



the form as directed.

You can set it up to be a recurring donation!

Text Giving:

From your mobile phone: Send your contribution amount to 912-307-3206 Donate anytime, anywhere Use easy debit/credit card registration Make a one-time gift or set it up to be recurring

Church Office:

Call the church office at 912.233.4351



Both our Finance Chair and Stewardship Chair would also want to remind you, "It is NEVER too late to make and pay a pledge!"





Asbury Community Cares Fund

Some Financial Relief May Be One Application Away: Asbury Community Cares Fund

Friends, these are hard financial times for some in the Asbury community.

An 'Asbury Emergency Funding Task Force' was created to help ensure no Asburian lost their home due to the pandemic. We were thinking of and praying for you while we worked! Please do not let pride stop you from applying to see if there might be some financial assistance available to help you through these difficult times.

Time may be running out to apply for some of these grants!

If you need financial help with your rent, mortgage, utilities and other things, please don't let pride stand in your way when there might be help just one application away.

Asbury has partnered with the experts at the non-profit Family Promise to help both individuals and families try to find financial resources that best fit your situation:

If you live in the city of Savannah, or Chatham, Effingham or Bryan county, there may be help for you through some emergency state, county and/or city grants. Again, time may be running out to apply for these grants! Do NOT delay in applying!

There is also a fund called the Asbury Community Cares Fund, given by Asburians *just* to help people in the Asbury community. This fund may be able to help you!

With one application through Family Promise you can apply for emergency state, county and city grants, as well as the Asbury Community Cares Fund, which was donated by Asburians *just* to help people in the Asbury community.

For fastest assistance, apply online: familypromisesavannah.org/amc (lower case amc) If you have questions or need a paper application, call Family Promise at 912.790.9446.



Local Resources

The Coronavirus pandemic has stressed our resources in many ways: mental, emotional, financial, relational and spiritual. Your staff has compiled a list of resources to help folks with small businesses, to address budgetary changes, to find the latest information on symptoms and steps to take if you are ill, resources for mental health, obtaining food, and considerations for children and elders.

Go to the church website: <u>www.asburymemorial.org</u> and click on the COVID RESOURCES icon for more information. The resources will continue to grow and evolve as conditions change. Be Well! There is support in our community to ensure that you maintain a good quality of life and your church family is committed to your welfare.



ASBURY MEMORIAL CHURCH

1008 East Henry Street | Savannah, GA 31401-7128

Where the Joy of God is Expressed Creatively

Dear Members of Asbury Memorial Church,

You are invited to attend the Annual Congregational Meeting on Tuesday, December 14, 2021, at 6:30 pm via Zoom. The Zoom information is below.

For the congregation's approval, the Nomination Committee will present the 2022 slate of candidates for service positions. The meeting will also include a State of the Congregation report and conclude with a statement from our senior pastor, the Rev. Billy Hester.

A packet, including the nominations slate and reports from the Finance, Property and Staff Relations Committees will be distributed in advance via email.

Please mark your calendars now to attend*.

Happy Advent,

Janet Wagner Chairperson of the Church Council

*All are welcome to virtually attend but only members of the congregation may vote.

Asbury Memorial Church is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Congregational Meeting Time: Dec 14, 2021 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9122334351?pwd=WWFiR1N5Rm5oQUtyeIJHT3IQbW1 LZz09

Meeting ID: 912 233 4351 Passcode: Asbury

> Senior Minister Rev. Billy Hester Associate Minister Rev. Claire Marich Music Minister Ray Ellis Phone 912.233.4351 Email church@asburymemorial.org Web www.asburymemorial.org

Note from Stewardship Committee

Thank you for your pledge! We are grateful!

It's certainly not too late to send your pledge in. You'll find extra pledge cards in the narthex and you can fill it out and place it in the collection basket. Call the church office if we need to mail you another one.

Thanks to everyone who helped with our pledge drive. Our speakers, our callers, and everyone who we talked with on the phone.

The committee and volunteers completely enjoyed our phone calls with you. Did we miss you when we tried to call everybody? Send an email to <u>mikedayoub@gmail.com</u> if you'd still like a phone call. We'd love to catch up with you!

Your pledge helps Asbury confidently budget our ministries and programs for next year. Thank you again,

Sincerely, Michael Dayoub Stewardship Committee Chair

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FINANCIAL	YTD Budgeted Contributions	\$608,480
HEALTH	Actual Year-To-Date Expenses Actual Year-To-Date Contributions	\$557,797 \$491,618
	Average Worship Attendance 292 (combined in person and online)	

NEW LAW. LOWER PRICES. MORE QUALIFY FOR HEALTH INSURANCE

As a community of faith, we are Health Care Champions.

Due to a new law passed earlier this year, many people who buy health insurance through the Marketplace are now eligible for more savings and lower monthly premiums. In fact, **4 out of 5** who enroll in a health plan through <u>HealthCare.gov</u> can find a plan for \$10 or less per month, with financial assistance. If you have looked at this in the past, look again!

Log in now to update your information for 2022, review your health coverage options, and enroll in a plan that best fits your needs. Enroll by Dec. 15 for coverage as soon as January 1, 2022. Enrollment is open through January 15, 2022.

Questions? Call our local Federally Certified Navigator for assistance with applying, plan selection, and enrolling into marketplace health plans:

Lakisha D. Samuels, C: 912-438-9748, Lsamuels@gaphc.org



This Holiday Season, Offer the Gift of Remembering to Those Who Are Grieving

by Rev. Kenneth C. Haugk, Ph.D.

With the holidays quickly approaching, a season that's normally a time for celebration may have a more somber tone for some—particularly those who have lost loved ones in the past year or so. Someone who would have been there to share the Thanksgiving meal, help hang the Christmas lights, or ring in the New Year is gone, with each event a reminder of their absence. The painful feelings that come as a result, especially when it seems everyone else is celebrating, can make the holidays a very difficult time.

In addition to all this, people often avoid those who are grieving, uncertain what to say or do. But there's a simple, powerful way anyone can offer care: giving the gift of remembering the grieving person's loved one with them.

Say the Loved One's Name

The gift of remembering begins with being willing to say the loved one's name.

One of the most common misconceptions about grief is that talking about a person's loss or saying the name of the deceased will only cause more pain. But the reality is just the opposite—

people *want* to talk about the loved one they've lost. During the research for my book *Don't Sing Songs to a Heavy Heart,* people I spoke with expressed that sentiment almost universally. One shared, "Mentioning my wife's name after she died was so hard for some people. It was almost as if she never existed. But I want them to remember her."

That's why it's important to say the loved one's name. Doing so acknowledges the loss and communicates that you're safe to talk to, that you won't shy away or abandon them because of their grief. In other words, it lets the grieving person know that you're with them in their grief and invites them to talk about what they're going through.

You don't have to say a lot. Some brief, compassionate words are often enough—for example, "The holidays must be hard for you without *[name]*" or "I remember the time when *[name]*..."

So, don't be afraid to mention the name of the deceased loved one, because saying their name opens the door to the gift of remembering.

Listening to and Sharing Memories

Once you've opened the door to remembering, be ready to listen to the grieving person's memories. Sharing memories is a way for them to express their love for the deceased, feel closer to their lost loved one, and experience comfort.

Although a grieving person can certainly reflect and remember on their own, there's something special about sharing memories with someone who will listen and care. Whether they're sharing happy memories, sad stories about the deceased's final days, funny anecdotes, or somber reflections, your being there to listen sends a clear message: *You are not alone*.

This Holiday Season, Offer the Gift of Remembering to Those Who Are Grieving Continued

Each conversation is different. Some people may want to talk and talk, while others may be eager to hear *your* recollections about their loved one. It varies by individual, so follow the other person's lead. Stay focused on their needs, and you'll be on the right track to providing meaningful care. **Embracing Every Emotion**

One reason people often hesitate to bring up someone's loss is because they're worried about how the grieving person might respond. Memories of a loved one may bring strong emotions—anger, sadness, loneliness, regret—as well as the tears that often come with such feelings. It can be uncomfortable to encounter these strong feelings because we don't know what to say or do. But here's a secret: Usually, the best response is simply to listen and embrace whatever emotions might come. You don't have to say exactly the right thing; in fact, trying to find the perfect words often leads to clichés, platitudes, or other unhelpful responses. In contrast, listening to, accepting, and validating a grieving person's emotions brings comfort.

Of course, it isn't always easy to listen as someone cries, expresses anger, or shares how lonely they feel. But when you set aside your discomfort and focus on being present with the other person, you'll be providing exactly the kind of care they need.

Making the Holidays a Little Easier

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Grief has no expiration date. Whether it's been a year, two years, or longer since someone lost a loved one, consider offering the gift of remembering to them, too. No matter how long it's been, listening and reminiscing together is a wonderful way to bring comfort, deepen relationships, offer care, and bring Christ's healing love to those who are hurting during the holidays. Doing that can make a difficult holiday season a little easier.

Stephen Ministries

Congratulations to our Stephen Ministry Team for reaching the half way mark of the training schedule prior to the Thanksgiving Break.

Thanks to our dedicated class of Stephen Ministers in training:

August Alderman Mary Ann Barnes Barbara Gooby Kimmi Sampieri

And thanks to our Stephen Leader Team Rev. Claire Marich, Candace Jenkins, Sandra Katz, Rhonda Reed and Stephen Reed

Study Groups & Fellowship Groups

Asbury Memorial offers a wide variety of study and fellowship groups.

We are excited about the rich and varied opportunities for adult study and fellowship, some via Zoom. We hope that you will join in one or more of the programs.

Adult Ministries 10 o'Clock Hour & Wednesday Night Programs

Stay tuned! As we navigate the current waters of safety protocols, we are looking into the best way to restart our 10 o'Clock Hour study. In the meantime if you are interested in being part of the team of presenters (leader's guide materials will be provided), please contact Kathy Hodges at kathleenehodges@gmail.com

Wisdom Seekers Mondays, 1:30-3 pm

The Wisdom Seekers are back from their summer break. They have started reading and discussing Christ in Crisis: Why We Need to Reclaim Jesus, by Jim Wallis. For those of you who are interested in this book and cannot join us on Mondays for the discussion, check out this podcast which takes the book chapter by chapter for a fascinating discussion. https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/ reclaiming-jesus-now-with-jim-wallis/id1481026354 If you need additional information please contact Margaret Clay at margaretclay@comcast.net.

Zoom Meeting ID: 840 2768 9652, Passcode: Asbury

Men's Group

For December 2nd, 9th and 16th continue with weekly topics. The topics will not require any "homework" as they will focus a lot on ourselves and how we observe the world around us. Representative topics include: "What are the Values you hold dearest in your life?"; Contentment as we retire do our values allow us to say "enough?". We encourage men of the church family to join us during these "Topic discussions" in order to get an understanding of the Men's Group and see if it is for you. Go to the Asbury Homepage and Click on the Thursday Men's Group for the Zoom link. We welcome you! Should you have questions please contact Bill Jahn at viajahn@gmail.com or Preston Hodges at prestonhodgesir@gmail.com. Members of the group are asked to volunteer to facilitate one of the sessions.

The Men's Group meets on Thursdays from 7:00-8:30 pm via Zoom and welcomes all men. Zoom meeting ID: 844 3633 5506, Passcode: Asbury

Course in Miracles Facilitator: Rev. Marilyn Leigh Thursdays, 4:00 to 5:30 pm

The Course in Miracles study group is dedicated to the study and practical application of <u>A Course in Miracles to our daily lives</u>. Our group allows the Course to guide us in becoming and expressing the Love that is the truth about us. It teaches the true meaning of forgiveness and challenges us to put God first in our lives. If you are interested, contact Rev. Marilyn Leigh at revleigh@vahoo.com.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89072538977?pwd=TXRGQ0YrdFRnd3IYS0d5V1ZQekFndz09

The Season of Thanks and Giving



In the first quarter of 2021...also known as "preparation for Tax time", Cynthia Herold, our Finance Chair and I had a conversation about giving and taxes. Cynthia informed me about her institution to institution giving to Asbury her accountant suggested (which, incidentally is the perfect formula for those taking Required Minimum Distributions) and that it saved some funds that would otherwise have been expended in income taxes.

Now I am all about conserving funds. Don't misunderstand, I believe in paying my fair share of taxes, but if there are formulas that allow me to do both, give and reap a tax benefit...I'm really paying attention.

One of my first thoughts was giving through my will, but instead of reworking my will, I chose a shortcut. I simply changed the beneficiary on an annuity I purchased in 2000. The beneficiary was changed in August. At my death the annuity will go to Asbury and the tax benefit of the giving will be realized by my estate.

But I began to ask myself the following....

Asbury has to wait until I die to receive this Benefit?

Don't misunderstand...I tithe faithfully, but I feel incredibly blessed...and very thankful!

You see, I am a 2 time cancer survivor...Ovarian cancer at 50 and Breast Cancer at 65...

Yes, I repeat...Incredibly blessed and Thankful! Thankful to have found Asbury and the Welcoming environment that is Asbury! Asbury's future is on my mind!

But Let's get back to the giving!!! In 2000 a life insurance policy became "demutualized", meaning the insurer would pay a current cash value or issue stock for a similar value. I chose the stock. We all know what happened to the stock market since 2000. For years I have wanted to sell the stock, but didn't want to deal with the tax bill, because this demutualized stock has a 0 cost basis.

Yesterday, with Michael Dayoub's help and advice I transferred shares of that stock from my non-retirement stock account directly into an Asbury account, which means I will have to pay NO INCOME TAXES in the upcoming tax season...That's what I call a win win!

I hope my sharing helps anyone thinking about some uncomplicated ideas for giving.

Thank you for the opportunity to share My Thankful Giving!

Signed,

A Blessed & Cheerful Giver





Greetings, Asburians!

As our ability to interact in person may be limited, we need to remember that we are not alone: that we are still a vibrant faith community and God is present in the messiness of our lives to love us, lead us and witness our daily strife and pleasures.

Here are some ways to stay connected and some comforting resources:

There are also links on the Church Facebook Page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/asburymemorialsavannah/</u> and the Church's webpage: <u>www.asburymemorial.org</u>

Worship on Sundays

Beginning Sunday, July 4th, we will begin our 11:15 AM in-person worship with relaxed worship guidelines. RESERVATIONS FOR ATTENDANCE ARE <u>NOT</u> REQUIRED. We will ask you to register your attendance at the door and will require that a face mask be worn. Online services may be accessed from: https://vimeo.com/event/1061155

Online Devotionals From our own Methodist tradition is the Upper Room which can be seen online here: <u>https://www.upperroom.org/devotionals</u>

Stay Connected



MEMORIALS

A Gift has been given to the Properties Fund in memory of William "Medicus" Roberts by Thomas Hunter Robert McEwen

A Gift has been given to the Properties Fund by Joan Byrd in memory of Jack Cowan

A Gift has been given to the Properties Fund by Joan Byrd in memory of Tim Cooper

A Gift has been given to the Properties Fund by Joan Byrd in memory of John Mark Doughton

Gifts have been given to the Properties Fund in memory of Caroline Smith by Joan Byrd Betty Hohnerlein John Hohnerlein Caroline Smith's family

Gifts have been given to the Properties Fund in memory of Bill Dodge by Mary & Janet DeLoach Larry & Pamela Dobbs Jim & Judy Newton Robert & Faye Wray Raymond Border Canady, Richbourg & Assoc., LLP Joan Byrd Margarita & Charles Kinard

A Gift has been given to Laura Angell's Scholarship Fund by an Anonymous donor

A Gift as been given to the Emergency Fund by an Anonymous donor

PET MEMORIALS

A Gift has been given to the Pet Memorial Fund by Bob & Jan Corey in loving memory of their Sweet Girl, Annabelle

A Gift has been given to the Pet Memorial Fund by Suzie Williams in loving memory of Angel Volume 34 Number 12 December 2021

WHEN SHADOWS FALL

- The members of Asbury Memorial extend our love and sympathy to Corey, Temperance, Lila, Collis & Grayson West in the death of Cory's grandmother, Edna Blewett.
- The members of Asbury Memorial extend our love and sympathy to Steve & Carey Smith, Shirley Jones in the death of their mother and Asbury member, Caroline Smith.
- The members of Asbury Memorial extend our love and sympathy to Mickey Dodge in the death of her husband, Bill Dodge.
- The members of Asbury Memorial extend our love and sympathy to Randy Canady & Ray Ellis in the death of Randy's uncle, Charles Bernard Ackerman.
- The members of Asbury Memorial extend our love and sympathy to Brenda & Chris Steiner in the death of friend & neighbor, Karen Veal.



HONORARIUMS

A Gift has been given to the Music Fund by Diana Rumsey in honor of Janet Dixon's birthday

A Gift has been given to the Properties Fund by Gloria Moses in honor of August Alderman, Jason Zimmer & Sandra Katz

PRAYER REQUESTS



Asburians

Neil Austing, Kelly Barrett, Alice Burris, Jim Burris, Randy Canady, Fay Carroll, Rev. Bob Chvatal, Anita Clay, Linda Combs, Diane "D" Conner, Gretchen Dodd, Sam Durham, Katie Farmer, Bob Francischetti, Ellie Gonye, Chase Harrison, John Hohnerlein, Roy Hill, Judith Kessler, Jack Lewis, Cyntha Linthicum, Lynn Lord, Marion Manigo, Scott McCoy, Brenda Mills, Grady Mills, Frances Monson, Virginia Moryadas, Dan Nelson, Marie Parker, Frank Ramsey, Barbara Ruggere, Roberta Smith, Cabell Stewart, Pete Vasta, Kenn Waters, Diane Williamson, Marie Winters

Family Members & Friends

Lindsey Aldred, Dorothy Allen, Joanne Anderson, Rev. Grover Bell, Carson Branan, Lisa Brown, Karen Browning, Phyllis Chappell, Glenda Clark, Max Clements, Don Cohen, Jennifer Despres Corey, Linda Cowart, James Thomas Crosby, Peter DeCordova, Peggy Flanagan Donaldson, Sara Driggers, Dan Goff, Samantha Garcia, Twumwa Grant, Priscilla Hearn, Lindsay Kessler, Benjamin Leesburg, Crystal Leesburg, Kim Lewis, Mary Jane Lundberg, Tony Munoz, David Oliver, Mackenzie Orth, Jennifer Payne, Fredia Peggs, Perdoni family, Joanne Rowley, Mary Ann & Tim Sheldon, Eddie Solomons, Susan Steinhauser, Neola Walker, Steve Wilkins Asbury Memorial Church 1008 East Henry Street Savannah, GA 31401-7128 INT.ID 206896 Office 233-4351 Fax 233-5026 www.asburymemorial.org

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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 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 Properties Fund, General Fund, Piano/Organ Fund, Family & Children's Ministries Fund, Youth Ministry Fund, Laura Angell Scholarship 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 4 PM, Monday thru Thursday.

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.