



Worship

Asbury Masking Policy

Asbury will be following the guidance of the Alameda County Public Health Department (ACPHD) regarding indoor masking.

When the ACPHD strongly recommends masking for all, Asbury will require masks be worn at all indoor events.

When ACPHD relaxes indoor masking recommendations, Asbury will follow suit and require masks for those not fully vaccinated. Sunday School teachers and nursery staff will continue to wear masks when children less than 5 years old are present indoors.

Getting vaccinated and boosted is also another way we can love our neighbor and do no harm. People are always welcome to mask if that is their preference. Group leaders or groups may decide to implement a mask mandate in their group to protect their members in need of greater protection

Children's Ministry

Celebrate Community Weekend!

Our VBS Food Truck has re-routed to a weekend of celebrating community for everyone of all ages to participate.

Saturday, July 23rd, beginning at 9am
We'll work in the Fertile GroundWorks garden, eat lunch, swim, have a hot dog dinner and campfire, and camp out on Asbury's property! We'll wake up on Sunday morning to breakfast before worship at 10am.



**Sunday, July 24th: Summer Fest,
11am-3pm**

Following worship at 10am, we'll have lunch, a shave ice food truck, a giant waterslide, games, science, and arts & crafts with space to do art from home in the fellowship hall!

[Sign up](#) to participate and/or to provide food for the various meals! Make sure to include how many people are in your party. **You are welcome to invite family, friends, and neighbors to join in the fun.**

If you would like to make a donation to our program, please make it to our Serving Others With Love summer project: [Fertile GroundWorks](#). You can also drop it off to the church office or offering boxes labeled "Fertile GroundWorks."

Save the Date: Music Camp!



August 1-5 & 7

Monday - Thursday: 8:30am - 12pm

Friday: 8:30am - 1pm

Sunday: 9am - 12pm

For children entering 1st - 5th grades

All children and volunteers will be required to be vaccinated appropriate to their age group and show proof.

Contact [Fernanda](#) to volunteer or find out more. Registration coming soon!

Serving Others With Love

Annual School Backpack Project

Asbury, like the other participating churches in Livermore, is gearing up to receive empty backpacks and loads of school supplies for the annual Livermore School Backpack Project. This annual project provides filled backpacks to as many deserving students in Livermore elementary, middle, and high schools as the combined churches are able to donate.

The Livermore school district has four Child Welfare Attendance specialists, each of whom looks after several schools and who provide us a count of the needy students at each school. Asbury has committed to 150 filled middle/high school backpacks at approximately \$32 each.

We will be picking up the empty backpacks and supplies this month and plan a packing party after worship on July 31. We'll have the sustained fund raising campaign in July, but you're welcome to donate now.

Ballpark with Brad



Do you like baseball? Do you have open afternoons during the week? Do you want to spend more time getting to know Brad? Then, you should join Brad this summer for Ballpark with Brad.

Pastor Brad will be taking all who want to go to Oakland A's games on 6 dates from June through September. Anyone going will get to enjoy weekday afternoon baseball in the cheap seats with Brad.

Tickets will be purchased at the ballpark or one day in advance for everyone by Brad. Bring some extra money for food or other items that you want to buy at the game. All are welcome to attend any or all of these six games from retirees with free afternoons to youth out of school for the summer. Email [Brad](mailto:Brad@asbury.org) at to sign up for the days you plan to go to!

Dates:

- Wednesday, July 27th 12:37 pm vs. Houston Astros
- Wednesday, August 10th 12:37 pm vs. Anaheim Angels
- Wednesday, August 24th 12:37 pm vs. Miami Marlins
- Wednesday, September 7th 12:37 pm vs. Atlanta Braves
- Thursday, September 22nd 12:37 pm vs. Seattle Mariners

Interfaith Interconnect Religion Chat: TODAY!

TODAY, Wednesday, June 8th

In-person or [Zoom](#)

Muslim Community Center East Bay
5724 W. Las Positas Blvd., Pleasanton
Conference Room/Suite 100

Enter from "A" and park at "Outdoor Prayer Space" as listed on the [map](#)

Presentations: 5:00pm-6:00pm

Breakout discussion groups: 6:00pm-6:30pm (optional)

Topic: How does your community welcome children/youth into the faith?
What rite of passage ceremonies are traditional in your culture?

Speakers: Trish Munro, Congregation Beth Emek and Karan Saini, Sikh

Doors and [Zoom](#) room will open at 4:40pm.

All are welcome! Please feel free to invite others to attend.

Additional resource: May 11 Religion Chat [video](#) on the same topic with speakers Hosai Mojaddidi, Muslim; and Renee Andrus, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Habitat for Humanity service project



Saturday, June 25th
8:30am - 4:00pm

Asbury is joining with San Ramon Valley UMC and Walnut Creek UMC to work on a Habitat for Humanity project at Esperanza place, an affordable housing complex in Walnut Creek.

[Register online](#) to volunteer!

Upcoming Community Events

Rodeo Parade & Grill Team: THIS Saturday!



The Rodeo Parade is back and so is the Asbury Grill Team! After charming the judges in last year's virtual Rodeo Parade, we are ready to do it again, live!

The Rodeo Parade takes place **Saturday June 11, 2022 at 10 am**. We need 10+ Asburyites (men, women, and youth) to march in the parade with portable grills to be our Grill Team!

To sign up, or for questions, contact [Martie Muldoon](#).

Partners for Change: Spaghetti Cook Off



Saturday, June 25th
11am - 5pm
Livermore Airport

Enjoy some delicious spaghetti and support Partners for Change!

Partners is in need of volunteers to help with ticket sales as well as the event itself. If you are able to help with the event, sign up [here](#) or contact [Kathy](#).

Fertile Groundworks Summer Garden Party



Fertile Groundworks warmly invites you to help kick off the summer season with an afternoon of food, fun, and festivities!

Join us at the Fertile Groundworks garden at 4743 East Avenue, Livermore on Saturday, June 25 from 4-7pm.

Bring your appetite as we fire up the grill for a delicious outdoor BBQ. We will be hosting activities for all ages including music, games, raffles, a Master Gardener Ask-Me-Anything booth, and tours of the garden. Invite your family and friends to join in the festivities!

Tickets will be \$30 for adults and \$10 for children and will go on sale soon!

Asbury Community

Thank You from the Culpeppers

The Culpepper Clan thanks this wonderful church for the Celebration of Jim's life. It is the perfect setting. Thank you to Pastor Kathy for her pastoral care. Thank you to two guys who asked if we were going to have a video as I was leaving Tim Evans celebration. I said no but I have a book. They quickly created a video.

A special thank you to those who provided the beautiful, special music and to Allen Schell who accompanied the video as well as the congregation's singing.

Nancy Grover and her team created a beautiful buffet and were ready to buy donut holes when it was learned Jim loved them.

We thank you all, including the congregation. I am so grateful to call Asbury my spiritual home.

Grace, Peace and Mercy,
Linda Culpepper

Men's Bible Study

The Men's Bible Study has resumed meeting **every Thursday at 7:45am**

via video conferencing.

We are starting a new series “Comparative Religion.” The first lecture is titled “Exploring Similarities and Differences.” The professor introduces the topic and himself, giving us some of this background so we can better understand his subjective biases.

Whether or not you've been attending, you are welcome to join us. There is no homework. Contact [Art Molvik](#) if you would like to join the group and to get the link.

Meditation Circle

Sunday mornings at 8:15am via Zoom

During our time together we read a brief devotional, meditate for 20 to 25 minutes, and end with an optional fellowship time.

Contact [Jackie](#) if you would like to join.

Women of the Spirit small group

Women of the Spirit, an Asbury small group led by Joanne Abey, is looking for new members. Starting **June 16 at 10:30 am**, we will meet monthly this summer to discuss our new book: *Good and Mad: The Revolutionary Power of Women's Anger* by journalist Rebecca Traister.

This New York Times bestselling exploration of the transformative power of female anger and its ability to transcend into a political movement is “a hopeful, maddening compendium of righteous feminine anger, and the good it can do when wielded efficiently—and collectively.”

If you would like to join our group please contact Joanne at 925-321-6319 or Debbie Whiteside 925-321-4712.

Tiny Home Community: Update

As you may know we have a Task Force working on the possibility of building a tiny home community at the back of Asbury's property to help provide housing for the unsheltered in our area.

We are sending a [letter](#) to our neighbors outlining the history of our work and where we are now. We hope you will read it to be updated on the latest work of this Task Force.

In addition, we are looking for a few additional Asburyites to serve on this task force—particularly our younger members. If interested, please contact [Rob Rudd](#).

We want YOU to be a greeter!

We need more of your smiling faces to be greeters for Sunday mornings!

Think back to when you enter a building the first few times and how helpful and inviting it feels to have someone there to greet you with a smile and guidance on where to go. Or even when the place is no longer new, think about how warm it feels to see that familiar smile when you walk through the doors.

[Sign up](#) to be a Sunday morning greeter and help make Asbury the warm, inviting, welcoming place that is it!

Sunday Prayer Requests

Please pray for the [requests](#) that were made during prayer time on Sunday.

If you would like to be on the email prayer chain, please contact the [church office](#).



Events at a Glance

- Every Sunday; 8:15am: Meditation Circle on Zoom
- Every Sunday; 10am: Asbury worship service
- Every Thursday; 7:45am: Men's Bible Study on Zoom
- 4th Thursdays; 4:30pm: Grief Support Group (in-person or Zoom)
- Every Saturday; 10am: Chat and Craft [Zoom](#) gathering
- 3rd Saturdays; 10:30am; Caregivers' Support Group ([Zoom](#))

- Wed, June 8; 5-6:30pm: Interfaith Interconnect Religion Chat
- Sat, June 11; 10am: Livermore Rodeo Parade
- Thurs, June 16; 10:30am: Women of the Spirit small group
- Sat, June 25; 8:30am-4:00pm: Habitat for Humanity workday
- Sat, June 25; 11am - 5pm: Partners for Change Spaghetti Cook Off
- Sat, June 25; 4-7pm: Fertile Groundworks Summer Garden Party
- Sat, July 23 - Sun, July 24 Celebrate Community Weekend
- Mon, Aug 1 - Fri, Aug 5 Children's Music Camp

Have questions?

Reply to this email or call the office at 925-447-1950.

Have an article, announcement, or event to submit?

Send them to the [Alaina Harrison](#), our Communications Specialist by 3pm on Tuesdays.

Miss a newsletter or need to go back and re-read?

Check out the [newsletter archive](#)!
