



Asbury Tech Updates

Our new technology is live!

The [website](#) has a fresh look, complete with new capabilities; we have an app that has all Sunday worship resources and keeps us connected; and a new giving platform on both the [website](#) and in the app!

As you are exploring the website and the app, please contact [Alaina](#) if you come across content that is incorrect/outdated/missing, or if there is a link that does not work.

Download the App & Create an Account!

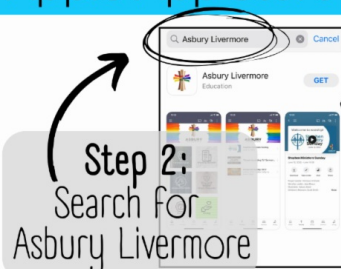
We have our own app! Make sure you download it from your phone's app store by searching for "Asbury Livermore." Once you have downloaded it, create your account!

Guide to downloading the Asbury app: Apple App Store version



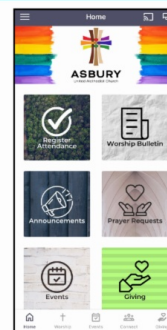
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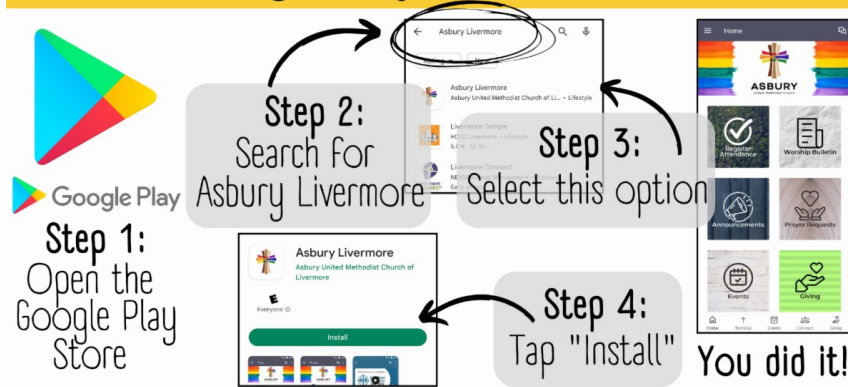
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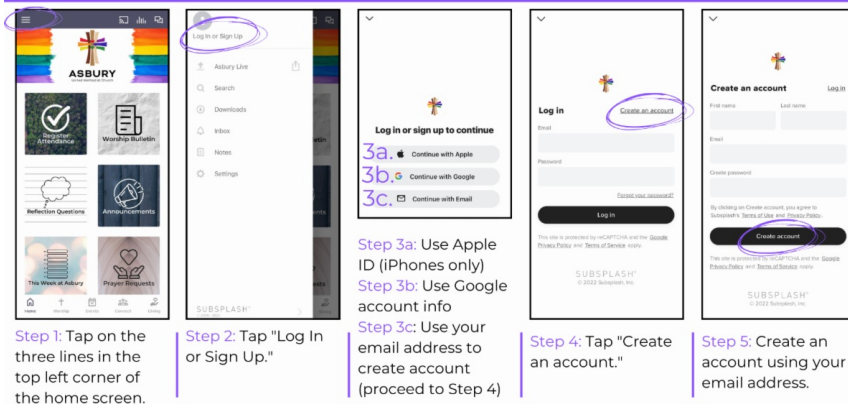
Guide to downloading the Asbury app: Google Play Store version



Here are some general instructions (phone specific instructions are in the images above):

1. Open your phone's App Store (either Apple App Store or Google Play Store)
2. Search for "Asbury Livermore" (without quotation marks)
3. Download Asbury Livermore app (you'll see our logo)
4. You did it!

Creating your account in the Asbury app



Once you have downloaded the app, create your account!

Why you should create an account

- You'll be able to send and receive messages within the app with other Asbury folks who have an account.
- You can set up online giving for donations or if you need to pay for an event, item, or service.
- You'll (hopefully, eventually) be able to register your attendance at worship with a single tap!

How to create your account:

1. Open the Asbury app and tap on the icon with three lines in the top left corner
2. Tap "Log In or Sign Up."
3. Choose which method you want to use to create your account.
 - 3a. "Continue with Apple" - use your Apple ID (iPhones only), then you're done!
 - 3b. "Continue with Google" - use your Google account info, then you're done!

- 3c. "Continue with Email" - use your email address to create an account, then proceed to Step 4
4. Tap "Create an account."
 5. Enter your name, email address, and create a password. Then tap "Create account" and you're done!

Join the Asbury A/V Team!

The A/V Team at Asbury is looking for more volunteers for Sunday. We need more people to add into our monthly rotation for Sunday morning worship. You will learn to run the sound board and/or the cameras for the livestream and volunteer once a month. No experience is necessary as we will train you on what you are interested in doing!

This is a great way to serve out church by helping to facilitate worship for our online community, and after a lot of great work this past summer, we have made working in the booth easier than ever! Additionally, we do many extra events throughout the year like forums, weddings, and funerals. Once trained and in the volunteer rotation, you will be able to sign up for these events and get paid! This would be a great opportunity for youth in our church.

If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to [Pastor Brad](#).

Children's Ministry

Children's Choirs Resume September 18th!

Sundays from 11:30am - 12:30pm
Starting Sunday, September 18th

Save the date for the return of Children's Choir! The choirs meet after Labor Day in September and end their season the 1st Sunday in June with "Music Celebration Sunday". Each of the children's choirs sing in service every five weeks, plus various performances throughout the year.

Cherub Choir (K-2nd grade) has a fun and relaxed time - sharing, song teaching, pitch training, notation, tempo, and learning a song about every 4-6 weeks. The rehearsals usually end with an interactive game or a book, then close with Joys & Concerns and a short prayer. Contact [Sharon Gach](#) for more information.

Rainbow Choir (3rd-5th grade) singers learn musical notation and singing skills, plus some great songs about love and community. They also play percussion instruments like finger cymbals, xylophones, chimes, drums and more! Contact [Jean Braun](#) for more information.

Youth Ministry

Youth Choir Resumes September 18th!

Youth Choir is for students in grades 6th -12th and meets every Sunday from 11:30am - 12:30pm. Choir sings in service once a month.

Youth Choir gives students the opportunity to practice singing together in a group, working more on 2-4 part harmony with the potential for more and solos. Some basic music theory is taught along with proper breathing technique. The Youth Choir also gets to put on a musical once a year in the early spring, giving youth the opportunity to sing, act, and possibly do set design. Youth Choir at Asbury is designed to be fun and give students the chance to sing together when it may not be possible to do so through regular school or during the week.

All are welcome - the Youth Choir is a safe space for those that are looking. We hope to see you soon!

Opportunities to Serve

Habitat for Humanity Unity Build Day

Saturday, September 17

8:30am - 4:00pm

Esperanza Place – 1250 Las Juntas Way, Walnut Creek

Habitat for Humanity is having another build day at Esperanza Place and we'd like to get a group from Asbury to join in!

Every volunteer must [register](#) individually, but there will be a carpool from Asbury to the worksite. Contact [Bob Hoffman](#) if you register and want to carpool (or if you have trouble registering)!

****Note:** For safety reasons, all volunteers at our sites or ReStores must be at least 16 years old. All volunteers under the age of 18 must bring a signed minor waiver form with them to the site. Minor waiver forms are available [here](#).

Upcoming Asbury Events

MY LIFE: What's God got to do with it?

Barbara Ernst is offering a 4-week small group beginning September 21 -October 12 from 1:00-2:30 p.m. in Room 10. The process includes focusing on a theme and journaling for a period of time followed by sharing. For Barbara, the written dialogue with God has been both enlightening and life giving, and she would like to share it with others who are seeking and ready for a new experience.

Barbara Ernest has been practicing as a Spiritual Director for over 30 years and is ready to offer the group experience again after COVID. For

more information or to sign up contact [Barbara](#).

Adult Choirs Resume in September!

Save the date for the return of adult choirs at Asbury!

The musical season for adult groups begins after Labor Day in September and goes through the first Sunday in June. There are no auditions, and anyone interested in singing or playing an instrument is welcome to come to a rehearsal or contact one of the adult directors.

Note: masks are highly recommended during rehearsal (but not required).

Faith Choir

Thursdays from 7:30pm-8:30pm

Starting Thursday, September 15th

Contact [Jean Braun](#) for more information.

Asbury Ringers (Handbell Choir)

Sundays from 7:00pm-8:30pm

Starting Sunday, September 18th

Contact [Fernanda Van Atta](#) for more information.

Celebration of Life

Juanita Benson

Saturday, October 8th at 2pm

Asbury UMC

Reception to follow

Asbury Follies is back!

Saturday, October 15th

7:00pm

Asbury Follies, is a fun-filled evening full of songs, skits, jokes, dances, juggling, magic --- you name it!

Start thinking about what you'd like to do for this year's follies, and contact [Martie Muldoon](#) with your ideas, comments or questions. If you'd like to participate, but don't know what to do, you can still sign up! All ages are welcome!

And we need audience members, too, so save the date for a wonderful evening of fun!

Upcoming Community Events

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, September 15th
Friday, September 16th
12pm - 6:00pm
Asbury UMC Fellowship Hall

Share your good health by giving blood or platelets. Donating blood could save a life. To schedule your appointment, visit redcross.org to check appointment times and sign up or call 800-733-2767. When scheduling, enter Sponsor Code: ASBURY925.

Please sign up to donate today. Invite a friend, too!

Interfaith Interconnect Ice Cream Social

Sunday, September 18th
3:30pm - 5:00pm
Asbury UMC Courtyard

Please Join Us! Interfaith Interconnect is having an ice cream social in observance of UN Day of Peace. At approximately 4pm, there will be a short program. There will be time for attendees to converse with one another before and after the program.

Jack Quigley, Music Minister at Center for Spiritual Living Livermore Valley, will provide music during the event.

All are welcome. We hope to see you there!

Save the Date! Our next Religion Chat is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12 at 5 p.m. Details to follow. Note that there will not be a Religion Chat in September.

Fertile Groundworks Farewell to Summer Garden Party Fundraiser

Saturday, October 1st
4:00pm - 7:00pm
Asbury UMC Courtyard

More details to come! For additional information visit their [website](#).

Asbury Community

Asbury Capital Campaign Envelopes

If you have Capital Campaign Envelopes that you are not using, please return them to the church office or mailbox in the driveway. Contact the [church office](#) if you have any questions.

--> Who's Still Reading??

This week's challenge is to try sending a message to a fellow Asburyite through the new app (Note: you must have created an account in order to send or receive messages)!

If you're having issues, reach out to [Alaina](#) or [Brad](#)!

Opportunities to Serve in Worship

Be a Greeter!

- [Sign up here](#) to be a Sunday morning greeter and help make Asbury the warm, inviting, welcoming place that it is!
- [Sign up here](#) to help specifically greet the adults from Heritage Estates that worship with us. If you have any questions or concerns about this, contact [Donald Faul](#).

Become a Children's Moment Leader!

- Talk to the children in our congregation during worship. In just a few minutes, discuss a given theme/Bible verse by relating it to a personal experience and/or by illustrating it with pictures, poems, props, or puppets -- you are only limited by your creativity!
- Email [Pastor Kathy](#) if you're interested!

Help Serve Communion!

- Individuals or couples periodically help serve the bread or the juice to fellow congregants during worship services.
- Email [Pastor Kathy](#) if you're interested!

Asbury Masking Policy

Asbury follows the guidance of the Alameda County Public Health Department (ACPHD) regarding indoor masking. **Currently masks are highly recommended but not required.** Sunday School teachers and nursery staff will continue to wear masks when children less than 5 years old are present indoors. We encourage everyone who is able to get vaccinated and boosted.

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

RECURRING EVENTS

- Every Sunday; 8:15am: Meditation Circle on Zoom (Contact [the office](#))
- Every Sunday; 10am: Asbury worship service
- 1st and 3rd Monday; 6:30pm: Monday Night Small Group (Contact [Ruth](#))
- 4th Wednesdays; 4:30pm: Grief Support Group (in-person or Zoom)
- Every Thursday; 7:45am: Men's Bible Study on Zoom (Contact [Art](#))
- Every Saturday; 10am: Craft and Chat [Zoom](#) gathering
- 3rd Saturdays; 10:30am; Caregivers' Support Group on [Zoom](#)

SEPTEMBER

- Sun, Sept 11; 11am: Tiny House informational event
- Thurs, Sept 15; 7:30pm: Faith Choir rehearsal resumes
- Sun, Sept 18; 11:30am: Cherub Choir & Rainbow Choir rehearsal resumes
- Sun, Sept 18; 11:30am: Youth Choir rehearsal resumes
- Sun, Sept 18; 7pm: Asbury Ringers rehearsal resumes

OCTOBER

- Sat, Oct 8; 2pm: Juanita Benson Celebration of Life
- Sat, Oct 15; 7pm: Asbury Follies
- Sun, Oct 30; 3-5pm: Trick or Treat Fun & Games

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](#)!

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