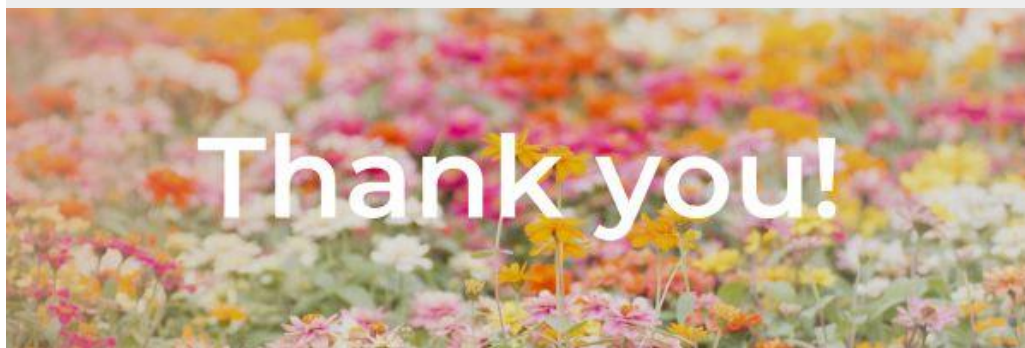


Asbury Articles: April 8, 2026



A Heartfelt Thank You

We are so grateful to all who gave their time, energy, and heart to make this year's Holy Week and Easter celebrations so meaningful. From our beautiful worship services to the joy-filled Easter Eggstravaganza, none of it would have been possible without our incredible volunteers.

Whether you helped plan, set up, lead, serve, clean up, or simply showed up with a willing spirit - **you made it all happen.**

Because of you, our church was filled with joy, welcome, and the spirit of Easter. Thank you for sharing your gifts so generously and for helping create such a special and memorable season for our entire community.

With gratitude,
Thank you!

UPCOMING ASBURY EVENTS



Give us just 2 hours to feed people impacted by famine and natural disasters.

Asbury's annual Rise Against Hunger food packaging event is coming up on **Saturday, April 18, from 9:00–11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.**

So far, we have **43 volunteers signed up**, but we need **at least 50 (60 would be even better!)** to reach our goal. This year, we've been asked to increase the number of meals we package from **10,000 to 12,000**, and we can do it in just two hours with your help. Please don't wait—[sign up today!](#)

When registering, be sure to select the **Volunteer Shift from 9:00–11:00 am**. If you're available earlier, we can also use a few people for setup from **7:30–9:00 am**, but the greatest need is during the packaging time.

This is a **multi-generational event** that is fun for all ages and a meaningful way to serve together. There's a role for everyone- if standing is difficult, tasks like sealing food packets can be done while seated.

There is an urgent need for these meals, especially in times of natural disasters and famine. Your time truly makes a difference.

Also, please remember to respond to the **Easter Special Offering letter** you received. Your donations help cover the cost of the meals we package on April 18.

For more information, contact Bob Johnson at bobjjr@aol.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Asbury Flower Ministry

The flower ministry was started to grow flowers for use in the arrangements for church services placed on the altar table each week. After church service, the flower arrangements can be taken to shut-ins or community centers for seniors such as assisted living centers.

When flowers are abundant, small flower bouquets can be sold after church services to support the cost of the flower ministry. Volunteers who work in the garden can also take flowers home to enjoy themselves.

The current volunteers are working to make the garden a welcoming environment for people to visit and reflect.

The flower ministry volunteers meet in the garden area **every Saturday morning at 9 AM** to tend to the garden (plant, water, weed, cut flowers and make the arrangement for the altar and small bouquets).

For more information or to volunteer please reach out to Kelly or Jolin Gully.

Kelly (925)724-4236 or kellygully@comcast.net Jolin (925)580-8772



Garden Plots Available

The Fertile Groundworks plant sale is just around the corner. Would you like to have a garden, but don't have the space for one? There are several garden plots available behind the sanctuary for use. Several have irrigation already installed. Mulch is available free of charge and water is also provided. Come on out and enjoy working in the dirt and raising vegetables or your own flower garden.

For information and to reserve a plot, please contact Kelly Gully. Kelly (925)724-4236 or kellygully@comcast.net

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS



LGBTQ Christian Book Club

The LGBTQ Christian Book Club in Livermore invites adult allies (18+ years old) to a book discussion of *UnClobber: Rethinking Our Misuse of the Bible on Homosexuality* by Colby Martin. Contrary to what you may have been told, the Bible does NOT condemn LGBTQ+. Nor does it prohibit same-sex relationships. Ready to learn more? Attend our book discussion for allies at 2:00 pm on April 25

at Asbury Methodist Church. Please RSVP to the church office at First Presbyterian (925)447-2078 or Asbury Methodist (925) 447 - 1950.



Plant Sale Reminder

Join us for our open plant sale—rain or shine! Visit the hoop house at 4743 East Avenue to pick your own seedlings.

Friday (Apr 10): 3–6 PM

Saturday (Apr 11): 9 AM–12 PM

Bring a box and follow the signs. Plants are \$4 each, with a wide variety of vegetables, herbs, and greens available—plus our popular fertilizer for \$6/quart. Gardeners will be on hand to help answer questions.

We hope to see you there! 🌸

Have questions?

Contact the church office via [email](#) or phone, 925-447-1950.

Have an article, announcement, or event to submit?

Send them to the [Martina](#), our Office and Communications Manager, **by 3pm on Tuesdays**.

Want to donate online?

[Click here](#) or use Zelle (our ID is finance@asburylive.org)

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

Check out the [newsletter archive!](#)

Would like to get in touch with a fellow Asburyite?

Contact the office.

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EVENTS AT A GLANCE

*You can view the full calendar of Asbury activities and facility use anytime on our [website](#) or through the **Asbury app**.

RECURRING EVENTS

- **Sundays | 10am:** Asbury Worship Service

CHOIRS:

- **Tuesday | 7:00pm:** Asbury Ringers (Contact [Michèle](#))
- **Thursday | 7:30pm:** Faith Choir (Contact [Jean](#))

- **Sunday | 11:30am:** Cherub Choir (Contact [Makayla](#))
- **Sunday | 11:30am:** Rainbow Choir (Contact [Jean](#))
- **Sunday | 11:30am:** Youth Choir (Contact [Bailey](#))

OPEN SMALL GROUPS

- **1st and 3rd Tuesdays | 1:30pm:** Women of the Vine (Contact [Burlyne](#))
- **2nd and 4th Wednesdays | 6-7pm:** Wednesday Zoom Group (Contact [Rita-Ann](#))
- **Thursdays | 7:45am:** Men's Bible Study on Zoom (Contact [Art](#))
- **Last Thursdays | 1pm:** Sew-In (Contact the [Office](#))
- **Saturdays | 8:30am:** B-MEN (Contact [Bob Berger](#))
- **Saturdays | 10am:** Craft and Chat (Online - Join [here](#))
- **3rd Sundays | 11:30am:** Friends of Wadi Foquin Circle (Contact [Bob Johnson](#))



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