

Asbury Articles: May 13, 2026



Join us for Mental Health Awareness Sunday on May 17

We are honored to welcome Marsha McInnis as our guest speaker. Marsha is retired and devotes her time to helping others who are seeking mental health education, resources, support, and advocacy skills. She serves as president of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Tri-Valley, the local affiliate of the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization. She will bring a message of

understanding, encouragement, and support for individuals and families affected by mental health challenges.

Our worship service will focus on God’s presence in times of struggle, the importance of caring for our mental and emotional well-being, and the call for the church to be a place of grace, healing, and hope. Whether you are personally facing challenges, supporting a loved one, or simply seeking to learn more, all are welcome.

After worship, you are invited to meet with Marsha in a small group for further conversation about mental health issues. (Add room number here.)

UPCOMING ASBURY EVENTS



Dessert Auction for SSP

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, May 31**—just a few weeks away! Stay after worship for a fun and festive **Dessert Auction** benefiting the *Sierra Service Project (SSP)*.

Bid on delicious homemade treats while supporting our youth mission trips and service opportunities. Every dessert makes a difference!

 **Plan to stay, bring your sweet tooth, and be ready to bid!**

This is a big fundraiser for SSP—you won’t want to miss it!

Ladies Night Out

TUESDAY, MAY 19TH | 5:30 PM

AAMA'S KITCHEN

(PLEASE NOTICE THE TIME CHANGE)
4022 EAST AVE, LIVERMORE, CA 94550

PLEASE RSVP TO KELLI WALTER ([KELLIWALT@GMAIL.COM](mailto:kelliwalt@gmail.com)) BY FRIDAY, 5/15

THANK YOU FOR BRINGING CASH! WE HOPE YOU ARE ABLE TO JOIN US!



Ladies Night Out – Join Us for Dinner & Fellowship!

All women are invited to a fun evening out on **Tuesday, May 19th at 5:30 pm** at Aama's Kitchen in Livermore (please note the updated time). This is a wonderful opportunity to relax, connect, and enjoy great food together.

Please RSVP to Kelli Walter at kelliwalt@gmail.com by **Friday, May 15**, and plan to bring cash for your meal.

We hope you can join us for a delightful evening of conversation and community!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



We Need Your Voice—Please Take the Survey!

Church family, we need your help! We've been invited to participate in an important church-wide survey focused on making worship more **accessible and inclusive for all**—especially for children and individuals with disabilities.

Your responses truly matter. If we receive **at least 10 responses**, our church will get a summary report with insights from *our own congregation* to help guide future worship, ministry, and care.

👉 **Please take a few minutes to complete the survey today.**

It's quick, anonymous, and will make a real difference in how we grow as a welcoming community.

📱 **You can take it right now on your phone using [the link here](#).**

Let's come together to ensure everyone feels seen, included, and valued in worship. Thank you for taking part!



Car Needed for Young Mother

Our community is still seeking help for a young mother and former foster youth who recently welcomed a baby and is currently attending Cal State East Bay full-time. She is in need of a safe, reliable, and affordable (or donated) car to help transport her newborn to appointments and continue her education.

If you have a vehicle to donate or know of a possible resource, please contact Brooke Feidy directly at 925-980-6306.

Thank you for your compassion and generosity.




Celebrating Our Graduates!

As the school year comes to a close, we're excited to celebrate the achievements of students reaching important milestones in their educational journeys!

We invite graduating students of all ages—from preschool to college—and their families to share their exciting news with the Asbury community. If you or your student is graduating, please send us:

- Student's full name
- Name of school, college, or university
- A few photos (graduation portraits, memorable moments, etc.)
- Future plans (college, career, travel, or anything exciting!)
- Degree or diploma earned (if applicable)

We'd love to feature each graduate in a special slideshow during worship.

 Please email submissions to the church office by **Sunday, May 24**.

Let's celebrate our grads together with joy and pride!

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

SUMMER CAMP

AT LYNNWOOD UMC

Activities include:

- Bible stories
- Crafts
- Science
- Recreation
- Mission opportunities

June 15-19
Mon. - Fri.
9 am - 12 pm

KINDERGARTEN TO 5TH GRADE

[CLICK HERE
TO REGISTER HERE](#)

4444 Black Ave Pleasanton Ca 94566

Summer Camp at Lynnewood UMC

Our sister church, **Lynnewood UMC in Pleasanton**, is excited to welcome children for a fun-filled **Summer Camp/VBS** week **June 15-19**, from **9:00 am to 12:00 pm** each day.

Children entering **Kindergarten through 5th grade** are invited to join in a week of learning, friendship, and summer fun. Each day will feature a variety of engaging activities and stations, including:

- Bible
- Crafts

- Science
- Mission
- Recreation

The registration cost is **\$75** for the week.

If your family is looking for a great summer opportunity, this is a wonderful local option! Please let [Corey](#) know if you have any questions.

[Register here](#)



Sanctuary is a feature-length documentary that exposes the plight of LGBTQIA+ individuals within modern faith systems—told



through the eyes of a visionary architect whose passion project becomes a lifeline. As doctrine collides with identity, a sacred space rises from rejection, offering refuge and hope. Alongside his journey, scholars and spiritual

leaders from a variety of religious traditions share how they are transforming their institutions to welcome the marginalized and reimagine what it means to belong.

Join us for a private screening and conversation with the filmmakers.

Saturday, May 16th at 6 p.m.

Lynnewood United Methodist Church
4444 Black Avenue, Pleasanton 94566



Scan the QR code to register - event is free!



Q&A with Sanctuary filmmaker Autumn McAlpin; pastor and LGBTQ+ advocate, Rev. Stan Mitchell; and Rev. Dr. Paula Stone Williams, a Pastoral Counselor & internationally known speaker on gender equity and religious tolerance.



Blood Drives

Livermore Community

Asbury United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
4743 East Avenue
Livermore, CA 94550

**Fridays, May 15, June 19
and July 17, 2026
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**



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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