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# Asbury Articles

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## Get Involved This Fall

We have tons of great activities coming up this fall. Be sure to check them out and get involved!

**Choirs will resume:** Adult choirs on September 3 and youth & children's choire on September 7.

**Third Grade Bibles:** Bibles will be given to our third graders on September 7.

**United Methodist Women** will have a potluck dinner and a special speaker on September 7 at 5:30 p.m. in the courtyard.

**Youth Group Kick-Off** will be on September 14 at 5:00 p.m.

**Blue Grass Concert** featuring Russell Moore and Illrd Tyme Out on Friday, September 12 at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15, \$12 for seniors and children under 12. Be sure to invite your friends.

**Classes are starting and resuming** after a summer break. See pages 3 and 4 for complete details.

**Our Annual Flea Market** is on Saturday, September 20, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. You can rent a space to sell your stuff; you can donate stuff to the Asbury space; and you can sign up to help before, during and after the flea market. Check the bulletin and Web site for complete details.

**Ladies Night Out is resuming** on Monday, September 22. We will be going to The First Street Ale House on First Street at 6:00 p.m.

**Fiddler on the Roof:** Show dates are Friday and Saturday, September 26 and 27 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, September 28 at 2:00 p.m. All tickets are \$5.00.

**Women's Retreat: Chocolate Boutique:** Indulge yourself at Chocolate Boutique, where women taste and see that the Lord is good! Friday, October 3 to Sunday, October 5.



*Growing in our discipleship · Serving others in the world · Celebrating God's grace*

## Chuck Chats

“Go down ... Moses ... way down in Egypt land ... tell that old Pharaoh, to let my people go!”

Great and powerful words from a favorite spiritual of mine, “Go Down Moses”, which I learned listening to a well-worn Paul Robeson album I purchased back in my seminary days.

The story of deliverance from Egypt is the pivotal story for the people of Israel. Upon its hinges turn the fulfillment of the promise to the Patriarchs – Abraham, Isaac and Jacob – and the identification of God as the redeemer who never fails to hear the cries of His people and lead them out of bondage. Not surprising that such a theme would resonate with the hopes of the men and women and children toiling under the lash of American slaveholders.

The story of the Exodus is also our story. It is part of our heritage as people of faith who are the spiritual descendants of Abraham. The account of Moses’ struggle and the escape of the slaves from bondage

is a universal story of freedom that has occurred again and again throughout history. For those who look to Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior, we know the power of the bondage of sin and the deliverance which grace and love have provided us through God’s Son.

Over the course of ten weeks, starting in late August and continuing through October, we will journey with those former slaves as God shapes them into the community of Israel. Through sermon, and invitation to consider what God is doing in our time, we will explore the ways in which Asbury is being shaped to be an effective community modeled on Jesus of Nazareth’s call and example.

In conjunction with that sermon series, the book [Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations](#) will also direct our attention to what it means to be a vibrant, energized Body of Christ. If you haven’t picked up a copy for your household and begun reading it, I en-

courage you to get one this Sunday during Coffee Fellowship.

You are invited to see the connections between what Exodus illustrates about God’s design and what the church of Jesus Christ is called to be. I believe that we will have dialogue and “holy conferencing” that will enrich our life together. It will provide a way to remind each other that “God is not finished with me (us) yet!”

Critical to making this conversation happen is your presence – in worship, in taking opportunities offered for “holy conferencing”, in events that provide space for fellowship, hospitality and mission. A renewed commitment to faithfulness to Jesus in these ways will make greater our fruitfulness in his name.

May God bless you as we begin another church/school year.

Grace and hope,

*Chuck*

## Fiddler on the Roof

In the little village of Anatevka, Tevye, a poor dairyman attempts to maintain his family and religious traditions while outside influences encroach upon their lives. He must cope with both the strong-willed actions of his three older daughters—each daughter’s choice of husband moves progressively further away from established customs—and with the edict of the Tsar that evicts the Jews from their village. Rich in historical and ethnic detail, Fiddler On The Roof has touched audiences around the world with its humor, warmth and honesty. Its universal theme of tradition cuts across barriers of race, class, nationality and religion, leaving audiences crying tears of laughter, joy and sadness. The score includes such familiar songs as “If I Were a Rich Man,” “Matchmaker, Matchmaker,” “Sunrise, Sunset” and “To Life.” Fiddler On The Roof is simply Broadway (and Asbury Players) at its very best.

Show dates are Friday and Saturday, September 26 and 27 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, September 28 at 2:00 p.m. All tickets are \$5.00. Tickets can be purchased after service on Sundays, in the church office or by calling Cherie at home. Tickets will also be available at the door.

# Growing-

## Ongoing Adult Education

### Heritage Estates Bible Study

Weekly Bible Study led by Nancy Dies. They meet at 900 E. Stanley Boulevard. in the activity room on Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. beginning on September 11. They will be beginning with the book of James. Everyone is welcome.

### Heritage Park Bible Study

Weekly Bible Study with Pastor Chuck at Heritage Park on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. Residents of Heritage Park, 1089 Bluebell Drive in Springtown, gather in the community room for an hour long time of Bible Study, prayer and discussion. This Bible Study is open to anyone who wishes to join us – currently we are studying the Book of James. We will begin meeting again on Wednesday, September 10. For more information, call Pastor Chuck at 925-447-1950, ext. 1.

### Meditation

Once a month meditation class led by Evelynne Schwartz. If you are feeling stressed, nervous and rushed. If you are in need of peace and calm in your life. Meditation may work for you. Let us encourage one another to step off the rat race fast track by taking time out to solemnly reflect and offer God's presence in our lives. They meet on the second Friday of the month and will be resuming on September 12, from 11:00 a.m. to noon.

### The Long Goodbye

Our monthly gathering for education, discussion and support for families dealing with issues of Alzheimer's and other dementia challenges is going to have a special guest in September. Julie Schnitter, the Medical Outreach Coordinator for Hope Hospice, will be joining us to share through video, written materials and question and answer time information on dementia and end of life issues. With years of experience Julie will be able to provide helpful understandings around issues of letting go with loved ones, the challenges and benefits of hospice care, how organizations like Hope Hospice function and ongoing support systems that are offered to the community. There is no cost. We meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room the last Monday of each month. September 29 is our next meeting.

**Mom's Bible Study** meets on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in room 13 and will resume on September 10.

**Loose Canons** meet on Wednesday mornings at 11:00 a.m. in room 6.

**Women of the Spirit** meet on Thursday mornings at 10:30 a.m. Contact Joanne Abey if you are interested.

**Men's Bible/Book Study** meets on Friday mornings at 7:00 a.m. in the Conference Room

## Fall 2008 Adult Education

### God's Golden Acre

Lorraine Magee will lead this discussion at the end of September.

### Disciples I and II

One of the finest Bible study experiences you can have is to be part of a group doing weekly study with excellent material. This fall we are offering both Disciple I and Disciple II studies. Disciple I is a 34 week review of the entire Bible. Whether you are just beginning to explore the Bible or a seasoned reader, this study will offer you a great experience. Pastor Chuck is leading a study on Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m., and is considering a day-time offering if there is enough interest. Disciple II covers the books of Genesis-Exodus and Luke-Acts in depth. The only requirement is being a graduate of Disciple I. Dick Crawford and Tim Evans will lead this class on Friday evenings.

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# Growing Continued

## Joan of Arcadia

Joan of Arcadia is a television show in which God approaches a reluctant teenage Joan and asks her to do a task for him. We will watch the show and then have a discussion. This is a good class for those new to the church and anyone who wants an entertaining and easygoing discussion about God. We will take the show up in the second season, but you need not have watched previous shows in order to attend. Renee Haugen will lead this class beginning on September 14. Class will meet on Sundays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and last for eight weeks.

## Different Cinematic Takes On Christianity

In this series, we will be exploring some films from the last 50 years touching on traditional and secular views of Christianity. Some of these are humorous, some are serious, but all are worthy of some discussion. Please join us Sunday evenings, October 4 to November 8, in the Fireside Room, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Don Faul will be the facilitator. Suggested Films:

King of Kings (Ray, 1961), Monty Python's Life of Brian (1979), Last Temptation of Christ (Scorsese, 1988), The Big Kahuna (1999), God is Great, But I'm Not (2001), The Passion of the Christ (Gibson, 2004)

## Ten Great Dates (Part I)

From the book/DVD: Ten Great Dates to Energize Your Marriage by David & Claudia Arp. This book is organized around ten dates that couples will experience to learn five basic skills and five advanced skills to revitalize their marriages.

"...Are you looking for a little pizzazz? Do you want your marriage to fly high? You don't have to go all the way to Alaska to add excitement, but you do need to find some time. When was the last time you talked to your spouse for thirty uninterrupted minutes? Would you like to have more fun with your spouse? Is dating something you only did before you were married?

We believe that having a healthy, growing marriage relationship requires friendship, fun, and romance. There's no better way to encourage all of these things than having dates! Great dates are more than going to see a movie and tuning out the world for a while. Great dates involve communicating with one another, reviving the spark that initially ignited your fire, and developing mutual interests and goals that are not focused on your careers or your children. Great dates can revitalize your relationship. We've got the proof!" Facilitated by Lindy and Doug Webb and Michele and Rob Rudd

## 1001 Questions

Ray Spooner and Jim Culpepper will lead a group where participants will have a chance to share and learn from each other about a variety of subjects. What do you think heaven will be like? If the world contained no religion, how might the world be different? We will work from the book 1001 Questions. Prepare for much laughter and many "a-ha's".

## Women's Retreat: Chocolate Boutique

Indulge yourself at Chocolate Boutique, where women taste and see that the Lord is good! Join us as we connect the extravagance of chocolate with the extravagance of God's love and grace. You'll grow closer to friends, deepen your relationship with Jesus and be lavished with love. The retreat will be at the Westminster Retreat Center in Alamo on Friday, October 3 to Sunday, October 5. The cost is \$200. Space is limited so sign up early. Contact Danita Cowgill, LaNor Smith or Joanne Petty for more information.

## Worship in September

Join us for a journey through the Book of Exodus as Pastor Chuck offers more sermons on the series: “How God Shapes Community”.

- September 7—“By Creating a Worshiping People” Exodus 12:1-14
- September 14—“By Delivering Us to Live in Freedom” Exodus 14:19-31; 15:1b-11, 20-21
- September 21—“By Expecting Faithful Living” Exodus 16:2-15
- September 28—“By Collective Accountability” Exodus 17:1-13

## Five Practices of Faithful Congregations

Pick up your copy of Five Practices of Faithful Congregations on Sunday. This book by Bishop Robert Schnase is being made available to every household here at Asbury and forms the centerpiece of our “Holy Conferencing” Pastor Chuck has called the congregation to be involved in over the coming months. Whether you are in leadership, new to

Asbury or have been a long-time member, everyone is invited to be part of our conversation. “Where is Asbury UMC today? How might God be leading us together? How might God be at work in our lives as individuals? Are you where God wants you to be? Are you satisfied with your faith journey right now? Is there more for you? for us all? Look for

the book table, pick up a book and sign a clipboard sheet to let us know you picked one up. Then enjoy your reading! Compliments of the Asbury UMC Church Council.

## What is United Methodism All About?

Are you interested in knowing more about the United Methodist Church? Whether you are new to Asbury UMC or have been a member for many years you are welcome to join Pastor Chuck and learn more about the rich United Methodist history and beliefs. The class

will take place on Sunday, September 28 at 10:45 a.m. and will go until around noontime. We will meet in the Office Building’s Conference Room. Signups are not necessary. Childcare is available during this time. If you are considering becoming a member of Asbury this class

is a pre-requisite – although attending the class doesn’t require a commitment to join the church. Those wishing a refresher about United Methodism are most welcome too. For more information, or if you have specific questions contact Pastor Chuck 925-447-1950, x1.

## Liturgist Training

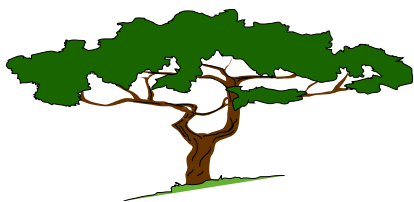
We would love to add additional voices to our worship leadership. If you are interested in being part of our Liturgist Team, plan to join Pastor Chuck in the Sanctuary at 10:45 a.m. after Coffee Fellowship on Sunday, September 14.

There we will practice readings, learn about the responsibilities of being a liturgist and the valuable contribution our readers make to Asbury’s worship experience. For more information contact Pastor Chuck at 447-1950, ext. 1.



*Liturgist*

# Branching Out - The Youth Page



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**Adults:**

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## Reflections from SSP

A forest path as confusing as math.  
 It winds through the mist as the fog slowly lifts.  
 Sleepy steps, I trudge along, while anxiously waiting for the morning sun.  
 I come upon a grassy field and to my curiosity yield millions of flowers yet unborn.  
 On my back I feel the sun, warm.  
 I look around and to my surprise flowers bloom before my eyes.  
 Drops of sunlight on the ground.  
 It's unknown to all what I have found.  
 I hoped to find a miracle, but this is unbelievable.  
 God's awesome power made this flower.  
 The dew is wet, the sun is warm, the soil is rich, this is God's gift.

SSP a week away, fun and games, more work, more play.  
 Working together we lend a hand to beautify this nation's land.  
 We share and learn while God's love we discern.  
 We find love, we find peace, joy and happiness too.  
 God brought us here, he conquered our fear.  
 Our journey goes on, it is very long.  
 But God lights our path, 'cause it's confusing as math.

By Ashley Defenbaugh



Attention Youth, 6th-12th graders. We are having a welcome swim party and BBQ for Adam Walker Cleaveland. He is our new Minister for Youth and Young Adults and you should get to know him. The party will be on Monday, September 1 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Tina Morris' house 2144 Roundhill Pl. in Livermore. You should bring a dessert or side dish to share. If you haven't sent an RSVP yet, just come on over.

## Youth Kick-Off

Our annual Youth Kick-Off will be Sunday, September 14 at 5:00 p.m. Of course there will be dinner and lots of fun. More info will be in the bulletin.

# Growing Strong – The Children’s Ministries Page

*Helping our children grow strong in their faith while building a stronger connection with God, each other and our world.*

**Children’s Ministry Director:**

Mitchie McCammon, 925-447-1950, ext. 5



## Sunday School Back to School

It’s that time of year again! Children’s Ministry depends completely on wonderful volunteers to provide Christian Education for our children. We are still looking for Sunday school teachers and helpers for most

grades. Our goal is to have three sets of teachers for each class so that volunteers have an opportunity to attend worship more frequently. Please prayerfully consider teaching our children about God’s love. The

monetary pay is low, but the rewards are abundant! For more information or to sign up, please call Mitchie McCammon

## September 7— Two Exciting Events

We will be handing out third graders’ Bibles. This is a very special day for our incoming third graders.

Let’s kick off the new school year! Join us for Sundaes Sunday after worship.



## VBS News

This past July we had a thrilling ride with Jesus as children participated in SonWorld Adventure Park VBS. We were blessed to minister to 70 children. In addition to the children, we also had about 70 volunteers who helped us run this amazing program. Our mission project this year was

Mountain Methodist Children’s Center in Chester, CA. We were able to send three boxes of supplies and a check for \$732 to help this center continue operating. Way to go! Thank you to all who helped and attended.

# Serving — Missions

## Hurricane Katrina Mission Trip #6

One of the opportunities to live our faith is through mission work... reaching out to others in need. We are offering an invitation to assist with the recovery from Hurricane Katrina. This is a great opportunity to really make a difference in a continuing difficult situation even though we are just passing the third anniversary of Katrina. It is estimated that only 5% of the affected homes in New Orleans have been reconstructed.

This trip will be October 4 through October 11, 2008. We will be working through the Southeast Louisiana Disaster Recovery Center in New Orleans but staying in Slidell. We will be staying at Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Slidell. The church provides a kitchen, sleeping accommodations and bath facilities. We will be staying in a brand new dormitory facility with bunk beds, restrooms and showers. The really good news is that Ruth Coffing, our excellent cook on the last trip, is planning to come again in October.

The work will involve repairing damaged homes. There is work for anyone. All levels of skill are welcome. Activities can vary from mucking out debris, installing sheet rock, tile and baseboard to final painting. The Recovery Center provide supervision, materials and needed tools. This will be the sixth trip to Slidell for some of us. We like this location because of the excellent staff and organization.

The plan is for most of the group to

travel on Saturday, October 4, worship Sunday morning at Aldersgate and visit New Orleans on Sunday afternoon. We will work Monday through Friday and then return on Saturday, October 11. There is also the option of traveling on Sunday, October 5.

This trip is sponsored by the United Methodist Volunteers in Mission Program. We have invited folks from other nearby Methodist churches plus any others that are interested. Asbury will organize the logistics. We are hoping for a team of up to 18.

Each volunteer pays their own way. The estimated cost could be as much as \$500 to \$600 per person and is considered a tax deductible contribution. The cost depends greatly on the price of our airfare and how many people we have sharing the group costs. In our previous trips to Slidell, donations from our congregation have paid for our van rental, insurance and housing donation costs. Thus the only costs were airline and food expenses.

If there are those who cannot go, you can help with donations such as frequent flyer miles or monetary donations to help with the team's expenses like car rentals, insurance and the housing donation. Roger Everett will handle a signup list and coordinate preferred travel schedules.

Since we have to register our team and pay for VIM insurance, we need to complete our signups by mid-September. Please contact Roger at home for specific signup informa-

tion.

Katrina Special Offering—September 7 marks three years since the devastation of New Orleans and the surrounding area by Hurricane Katrina. In remembrance of this singular event that changed so many lives, Asbury will be having a Special Offering to support Katrina Relief efforts on Sunday, September 7. All of the funds raised by this special offering will be used to support the ongoing Katrina Relief work by our congregation and Southeast Louisiana Disaster Recovery (SLDR). Please consider making a donation to Asbury's VIM (Volunteers in Mission) account for ongoing Katrina Relief work.

## Back to School Backpacks

On August 15, Asbury's 100 middle/high school backpacks, filled with school supplies and a gift certificate for new shoes, were distributed. At the beginning of every new school year Asbury, together with several other members of Livermore's interfaith community, has given backpacks like these to less fortunate Livermore school children, grades 1-12. Asbury's commitment is 100 middle/high school packs. Our congregation's generous donations to this Mission have again made this possible. Thank you for your generosity and thanks to Joanne Petty, who led this year's project, and to the volunteers who helped her.

## Habitat

In July, Asbury supported Habitat for Humanity East Bay in two significant ways. On Sunday July 20, a

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special offering was taken for Habitat. Over the following three weeks more than \$2,100 was donated to help build houses for low income families. Habitat East Bay sends Asbury a great big “thank you” for your continuing support. On Saturday July 26, eight Asbury volunteers, joined by Dave David’s niece Anna, were part of the crew putting finishing touches on the eight Habitat homes being built in Alameda. We painted, caulked, installed fixtures and did other finish work. On August 20,

the Alameda families will receive the keys to their homes in a dedication ceremony and celebration. Construction of the final six homes in the 26 home development on Edes Avenue in Oakland is also progressing and will be complete by mid-December.

2009 will be a very active construction year for Habitat East Bay and will include the largest Build-A-Thon in the history of the organization. In just four days next April 18- 21, twenty homes on a second Edes Avenue site will be framed by hundreds of volunteers.

Those twenty homes and an additional eight homes on Edes will be completed next year. And next summer a 10 home project will begin in Bay Point, just west of Pittsburg. Habitat East Bay is ramping up to build 200 homes for low income families in the next 5 years, and Asbury continues to be part of that effort.



## Join a Music Group, There’s One for Everyone

Choir	Age	Rehearsal Date	Time	Location	Director
Cherub	Kindergarten - 2nd	Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Room 6	Ruth Hawley
Rainbow	Grades 3 - 5	Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Room 9	Jean Braun
Middle School	Grades 6 - 8	Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Chapel	Martie Muldoon
High School	Grades 9 - 12	Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Room 12	Lori Kenward
Asbury Band	Adults	Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Sanctuary	Dave Gamble
Chancel Choir	Adults	Wednesday	7:30 p.m.	Sanctuary/Chapel	Allen Schell
Faith Choir	Adults	Wednesday	7:30 p.m.	Sanctuary/Chapel	Jean Braun
Handbell Choirs	Middle School - adult	Sunday	5:30 p.m. beginning 7:00 p.m. advanced	Rooms 11-12	Beckie Wiley

# Anniversaries and Birthdays

## ANNIVERSARIES

Harry and Cordelia Bate  
 Steven and Anne Bettencourt  
 Dave and Dale Boercker  
 Tom and Marcia Cayton  
 Lary and Elaine Clary  
 David and Kathy Darlington  
 Dave and Terri Gamble  
 Terry and Sue Halula  
 Dick and Diane Larder  
 John and Connaught Lindberg  
 Marvin and June Martin  
 Kent and Mitchie McCammon  
 Raj and Diana Nathan  
 John and Peg Pettis  
 Andy and Christina Pomykal  
 Dave and Cheryl Seberger  
 Jonathan and Erin Senge  
 Andy and Elizabeth Sherman  
 Carl and Colleen Sorem  
 Dan and Hitomi Westfall  
 Bob and Cindy Wolcott  
 Cal and Dixie Wood

## BIRTHDAYS

Kyle Beach  
 Stephanie Beard  
 Emily Bennett  
 Kenneth Bernstein  
 Dale Boercker  
 Susan Bothwell  
 Chris Buckley  
 Jan Buckley  
 Tim Buckley  
 Gene Burke  
 Lydia Callabresi  
 Chuk Campos  
 Kellie Campos  
 Cathy Carter  
 Nancy Carter  
 Pat Carter  
 LaVerne Cave  
 Larry Chase  
 Sharmyn Crawford  
 Ian Darlington  
 Kathy Darlington  
 Gary Deis  
 Deanna Frument  
 Aidan Guthrie  
 Jim Hammer  
 Patricia Holladay  
 Skip Hoover  
 Chuck Johnstone  
 Paul Jones  
 Edie Lamb  
 Dick Larder  
 Mark Lee  
 Linda Lego  
 Aaron Leonard  
 Susan Lietzke  
 Robert Lim  
 Kathy Mahoney  
 Louise Maloney  
 Donald Meeker  
 Dennis Muldoon  
 Meera Nathan  
 Landon Paiso  
 Aaron Ravenstad  
 Phil Reggiardo  
 Evelynne Schwartz  
 Hannah Schwartz  
 Barbara Sharry  
 Bob Souza  
 Mary Spang  
 Dylan Spooner  
 Pam Spooner

Laura Stanworth  
 Danielle Staton  
 Nicole Stewart  
 Mike Stroh  
 Jean Swartwood  
 Diane Thompson  
 Samantha Tripp  
 Ernestine West  
 John Wiley  
 Mark Wiley  
 Billy Wolcott



**September 1, 2008 (Monday)**

- Office Closed for Labor Day

**September 2, 2008 (Tuesday)**

- 7:30 p.m. Staff Parish Relations (Conference Room)
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Ministries (Room 11)
- 7:30 p.m. Trustees (Room 6)

**September 3, 2008 (Wednesday)**

- 11:00 a.m. Loose Canons (Room 6)
- 7:00 p.m. Teacher Training (Rooms 11-12)
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choirs (Sanctuary and Chapel)

**September 4, 2008 (Thursday)**

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Heritage Estates)
- 10:30 a.m. Women of the Spirit
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Band (Sanctuary)

**September 6, 2008 (Saturday)**

- 8:00 a.m. Lawn crew D
- 7:30 p.m. Piano Recital (Sanctuary)

**September 7, 2008 (Sunday)**

**(See Regular Sunday Schedule at the bottom)**

- 11:30 a.m. Fiddler Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 p.m. UMW Potluck (Fellowship Hall)

**September 8, 2008 (Monday)**

- 7:30 p.m. Missions Committee (Conference Room)

**September 9, 2008 (Tuesday)**

- 9:30 a.m. UMW (Room 6)

**September 10, 2008 (Wednesday)**

- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study (Room 13)
- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study (Heritage Park)
- 11:00 a.m. Loose Canons (Room 6)
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choirs (Sanctuary and Chapel)

**September 11, 2008 (Thursday)**

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Heritage Estates)
- 10:30 a.m. Women of the Spirit
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Band (Sanctuary)

**September 12, 2008 (Friday)**

- 11:00 a.m. Meditation (Room 11)
- 8:00 p.m. Russell Moore and Illrd Tyme Out Concert (Sanct)

**September 13, 2008 (Saturday)**

- 8:00 a.m. Lawn crew E
- 10:00 a.m. Fiddler Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

**September 14, 2008 (Sunday)**

**(See Regular Sunday Schedule at the bottom)**

- 10:45 a.m. Liturgist Training (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Kick-Off
- 7:00 p.m. Joan of Arcadia (Conference Room)

**September 15, 2008 (Monday)**

- 6:00 p.m. Ladies Night Out (Mimi's Cafe)
- 7:30 p.m. Finance Committee (Conference Room)

**September 16, 2008 (Tuesday)**

- 7:00 p.m. Adult Ministries (Room 11)
- 7:30 p.m. Fellowship Hall Design Team (Conference Room)

**September 17, 2008 (Wednesday)**

- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study (Room 13)
- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study (Heritage Park)
- 11:00 a.m. Loose Canons (Room 6)
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choirs (Sanctuary and Chapel)

**September 18, 2008 (Thursday)**

- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Heritage Estates)
- 10:30 a.m. Women of the Spirit
- 11:00 a.m. Loose Canons (Room 6)
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Band (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 p.m. Disciple Information meeting (Conference Room)

**September 20, 2008 (Saturday)**

- 8:00 a.m. Lawn crew E
- 8:00 a.m. Flea Market
- 10:00 a.m. Choir Directors (Conference Room)

**September 21, 2008 (Sunday)**

**(See Regular Sunday Schedule at the bottom)**

- 7:00 p.m. Joan of Arcadia (Conference Room)

**September 22, 2008 (Monday)**

- 6:00 p.m. Ladies Night Out (First Street Ale House)
- 7:00 p.m. Fiddler Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

**September 23, 2008 (Tuesday)**

- 7:30 p.m. Church Council (Conference Room)

**September 24, 2008 (Wednesday)**

- 9:30 a.m. Mom's Bible Study (Room 13)
- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study (Heritage Park)
- 11:00 a.m. Loose Canons (Room 6)
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choirs (Sanctuary and Chapel)

**September 25, 2008 (Thursday)**

- 9:00 a.m. Quilting (Rooms 11-12)
- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Heritage Estates)
- 10:30 a.m. Women of the Spirit
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Band (Sanctuary)

**September 26, 2008 (Friday)**

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (Conference Room)
- 7:30 p.m. Fiddler on the Roof (Sanctuary)

**September 27, 2008 (Saturday)**

- 8:00 a.m. Lawn crew E
- 7:30 p.m. Fiddler on the Roof (Sanctuary)

**September 28, 2008 (Sunday)**

**(See Regular Sunday Schedule at the bottom)**

- 10:45 a.m. Methodism Class (Conference Room)
- 2:00 p.m. Fiddler on the Roof (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 p.m. Joan of Arcadia (Conference Room)

**September 29, 2008 (Monday)**

- 7:00 p.m. Long Goodbye (Conference Room)

**September 30, 2008 (Tuesday)**

- 7:30 p.m. Ministry Team (Conference Room)

**Regularly Scheduled Sunday Events**

- 9:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School (Sanctuary)
- 10:15 a.m. Butterfly Gardens is open
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee and Bagels (Courtyard)
- 10:30 a.m. Youth & Children's Choirs
- 7:00 p.m. Handbells (Rooms 11-12)

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## Watch the Date!

**October 4, 2008, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

You should be getting a notice in your water bill very soon that the City of Livermore has partnered with the state of California, the American Red Cross, and Integrated Waste Control to promote the **No Drugs Down the Drain** campaign ([www.NoDrugsDownTheDrain.org](http://www.NoDrugsDownTheDrain.org)).

Putting unused or expired medications in the trash or down the toilet contaminates our groundwater. Tom Petty has been working with the city to help put together a drug collection day on October 4, 2008. You will be able to drop off any unused or expired medications, pet meds, vitamins, liquids, ointments, creams and lotions. They will also collect used (unbroken) mercury thermometers.

More information will be coming in your mailbox soon!



**Deadline for next Asbury Articles is  
September 18, 2008.**