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Asbury Articles

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From Generous Hearts Come...

Asbury's fall Stewardship campaign will begin late in October and conclude on Sunday, November 23 with Celebration/Commitment Sunday. Teams of "circuit riders" will be calling on many of Asbury's households, delivering picture scrapbooks, providing information on Asbury's program and budget and welcoming conversation on Asbury's ministries and mission. Letters and printed information will be sent to those with whom visits are not arranged. We encourage you to show "radical hospitality" to those who are volunteering to make home visits. The picture scrapbooks will celebrate what Asbury has been doing in the past year and look forward to 2009, and left at households for a short period. They will then be picked up by the "circuit riders" and taken to another church family. Please find time to permit these good volunteers to pay you a visit and get better acquainted. This is your personal opportunity to share your hopes and dreams for what God might do in our community.

*From
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Are You Interesting in Becoming a Member?

On Sunday, November 16, Asbury will welcome into membership those wishing to step forward and declare their faith and trust in Jesus Christ. Those who wish to make a public commitment to God and to our shared ministry for Jesus Christ need to contact Pastor Chuck at 925-447-1950 and make their desires known. Perhaps God has been moving in your life, nurturing your faith and beckoning you to raise your level of devotion and trust in Jesus the Christ. Membership is a sacred covenant which involves the individual believer and the whole community of faith. In our vows we agree to serve Jesus within the local church's ministries through our prayers, our presence, our gifts and our service. If you sense God's leading to make such a step of faith, the community of Asbury will joyfully welcome you!

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

Chuck Chats

How might we shape Asbury's future together?

One of the simplest things to do is to engage each other in thoughtful conversation and dreaming. Over the past couple of months, we have begun that process in a new way.

By using Bishop Robert Schnase's Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations as a common template for questions and consideration, we have opened up our discussion to every segment of the congregation. When considering how to use this resource, I rejected the idea of simply having it be a conversation for staff member and Church Council leadership. This idea was accepted by Church Council and strongly supported by committing finances to put free copies of the book into every willing Asbury household.

From chapters on "Radical Hospitality" to "Extravagant Generosity", this book presents helpful ways for congregations to consider how they might improve their "fruitfulness". Failure to take these themes seriously risks future vitality. My call for the congregation to enter into "holy conferencing" has been an invitation to open up decision-making and information to everyone: long-time member and new attendee; those who have leadership positions and those who are serve in supportive ways; and the youth of the church and the young in heart. "Holy conferencing" simply means conversa-

tions between believers, with a focus that is on God's work among us and the faith work for Jesus Christ between us. This conversation can be done informally between two people, formally in meetings or gathering, or by written suggestion and emails to me or to other staff members.

By sharing personal insights and bouncing ideas off one another, the Spirit helps shape the directions Asbury ought to go and can go in the months and years to come. How important to you is our church's vitality? Its growth? Its spirituality? Its effect on the world's needs? Its worship? Its welcoming of the stranger? If these things matter than we must engage in this opportunity together. I will keep pushing a bit to not let this book, and the ideas they prod us to consider, as a passing fancy. I hope it will carry us into the coming year and frame ways in which we can even more effectively serve God.

Thanks to all those who have taken "holy conferencing" to heart.

A few random thoughts about this coming month...

Don't forget to vote on November 4. In what may be the most consequential election of my lifetime we need to thoughtfully educate ourselves to the issues, consider the choices and vote our consciences. What a great privilege it is to cast our ballot and a sacred duty to keep

democracy alive.

Worship in November will be an opportunity to show support and give God praise for our ministry with children (November 2), hear from our youth minister, Adam Walker Cleaveland for the first time, and the youth will provide worship leadership (November 9), celebrate and recognize our mission focus as a church (November 16) and to hear our District Superintendent Renae Extrum-Fernandez preach on November 23. That service will also have a lot of wonderful music and give us a chance to commit our resources and pledges for 2009. It will be followed by an important Church Conference – which is open to everyone.

Get a jump on the Advent season for you, your family and your church by joining with other Asburyites for a pre-Advent time of celebration and fellowship on Saturday, November 29. It will be great fun and let you work off Thanksgiving turkey and pie as you get ready for Advent, whose first Sunday is the next day!

Grace and peace,

Chuck

Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations

If you haven't picked up your free copy of Asbury's "community reading material" yet, please visit Butter-

fly Gardens to get your copy. Equally important to having a free household copy is taking time to

read and absorb the thoughts expressed there.

Growing

Mom's Bible Study

We understand the nature of your busy lives, so we are using an easy to follow study guide. Refresh your heart with no homework. Childcare is available upon request. They meet on Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Room 13.

While We Wait: Living the Questions of Advent

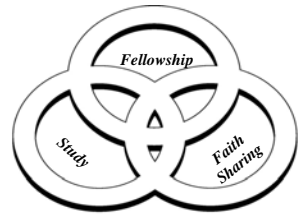
While We Wait, is a five-week study course which looks at some unique biblical figures, at least unique for Advent. Biblical figures who ask questions that resonate with contemporary Christians during this season. A Bible study for people who don't want to gloss over their own questions about the Christmas story. Join with others to look at Advent as a journey in which God seeks us at many levels of our understanding and spiritual willingness, allowing for real-life struggles and questions as a legitimate part of Advent's spiritual exploration. The class will meet each Monday evening in December from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Books will be available on November 23. Please sign up with the leader, Sharmyn Crawford starting after worship beginning on November 9.

Looking forward to next year:

Understanding Depression. A one-hour informational class offered after the first of the year. The class will cover an overview of the various types of depression, as well as depression symptoms, causes, and treatments. The class will be presented by Lindy Webb.

God and the New Atheism

The New Atheism as critiqued by John Haught, has none of the robust intellectual basis of a Bertrand Russell or a Karl Marx. He yearns for better opponents in the age-old debate. He also examines the strong and weak points of the arguments, even those that the critiqued writers failed to bring up. This looks like a good exercise in examining the views of the opposition by a learned academic who is used to stimulating his undergraduates to think critically about important issues. I hope enough thoughtful people enroll in the class to fuel some interesting discussions about the foundations of our faith and beliefs. This class will begin in January and be lead by Cal Wood.



*Adult
Education*

Coping with the Holidays

November 13, 6:00 p.m.

Valley Care health services in Pleasanton is offering a caregiver program just for cancer patient's families. Scheduled for

November 13 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at 5725 W. Las Positas Blvd., Suite 270 in Pleasanton. To register call 925-933-0107. For more information contact

Mary C. Prishtina, RN, OCN, Library Resource Nurse, ValleyCare Health Library at 925-734-3313 or mprishti@valleycare.com.

Annual Church Conference

Sunday November 23, 11:00 a.m.

Asbury's annual Church Conference takes place following Coffee Fellowship on Thanksgiving/Celebration Sunday – be sure to stay, meet our new District Superintendent and help make decisions

important to Asbury's future. Don't forget to come to church first! Stay for coffee, bagels and fellowship. Then come to the Sanctuary and celebrate what we have been doing as a congregation, hear about the goals for the

coming year, see the initial plans for our new Fellowship Hall and, if you are a member, you will be invited to vote on those plans and authorize our architect moving forward.

Fellowship Hall Update

The Fellowship Hall design team has progressed in the design of the new Fellowship Hall, and we wanted to share the latest design with everyone. With this preliminary design completed, we now plan to move to the next phase to complete the drawings necessary to establish a firm cost estimate and initiate the construction process. However, before this detailed design effort is initiated, there will be an opportunity for the congregation to approve the design concept and authorize moving into the next phase at the Church Conference scheduled for November 23 at 11:00 a.m. The actual start of construction is still estimated to be approximately July 1, 2009. The drawings are required to obtain city approval and permits and to provide the various subcontractors the information they need to bid on the jobs to be completed. Our architect, John Seals, has prepared the conceptual design drawings shown below and our general contractor, Dan McNely, has given us an initial cost estimate of \$2,561,900. The Fellowship Hall Design team encourages everyone to review the concept and plan to be present to vote on the design at the Church Conference.





Ladies Night Out

Monday, November 17, 6:00 p.m.

Ladies of the church, let's get together and go out for dinner. Our next outing will be on Monday, November 17.

and we will be going to Strings. at 6:00 p.m. for a wonderful dinner and some great company. Please call Joanne Petty and let her know

you're coming.
It's going to be great!

Come to the Cabaret

Saturday, November 15, 6:00 p.m.

Join us for an evening of wonderful food and entertainment. We'll start off the evening with a great dinner and dessert then the fabulous singers of

Asbury will treat us to some great music. Kids are welcome to this event. Childcare will be available if you would like to take your younger kids to the nursery after dinner. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5

for kids 12 and under. Tickets will go on sale Sunday, October 26 in the courtyard after worship. They will also be available in the office during the week.

Pancake Breakfast to Kick Off Advent

Sunday, November 30, 8:00 a.m.

Let's celebrate the beginning of Advent with a great pancake breakfast. The ladies that went to the Chocolate Boutique Retreat are putting this breakfast on to help pay for the retreat. You guessed it there will be chocolate syrup

for the pancakes. There will also be maple syrup, fruit and sausage. The cost is only \$5.00 for a delicious breakfast. We'll start at 8:00 a.m. and serve until 8:40 a.m. then serve again after worship. Come have a great breakfast.



Attention: Anyone Who Buys Groceries!

Asbury can earn 2% or 3% of your grocery bill without you doing anything except registering that you want that money to go to Asbury.

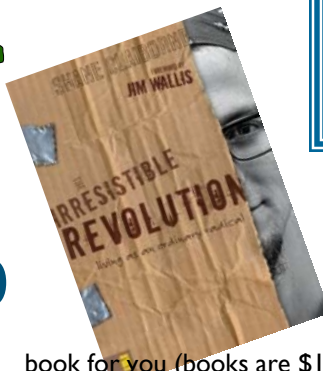
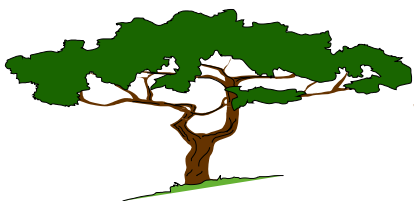
Lucky stores use the S.H.A.R.E. card. All you have to do is ask Jean Braun at home to order a card for you. Then you simply give it to the cashier before you pay your bill, and Vwa- Laa, Asbury earns 3% of your grocery bill! They

have simplified the process since it began, so dig out those old cards, or call Jean for new ones!

Safeway will likewise give Asbury money (2% of your shopping bill). All you do is get a Safeway card, then name Asbury as the beneficiary of the 2% donation by Safeway. You can do that by registering that choice online or contacting LaNor Smith at home. The money adds up.

Asbury has a "Scrip account" where all this money is deposited. We have paid for the Sanctuary's flat screen TVs from that account and several other things. Don't waste this EASY money making opportunity!

Branching Out - The Youth Page



Minister for Youth and Young Adults:

Adam Walker Cleveland

Office: 925-447-1950 ext 3

Fall Book Club

Our Fall Book Club has started up, and we will be reading The Irresistible Revolution by Shane Claiborne. It's not too late to join, just let Adam know and he'll get a

book for you (books are \$10.) In his book, Shane stirs up questions about the church and the world, challenging readers to live out an authentic Christian faith. This book

will comfort the disturbed, disturb the comfortable, and invite believers to change the world with Christ's radical love.

Youth Ministry Dinner

On November 23, we will have our first monthly Youth Ministry Dinner. The dinner will take place at 6:00 p.m., between CAs and MYF. This is a chance for CAs and MYF

(and their parents) to get together for a shared meal and fellowship time, but it's also a time for people in the church to sit with youth and get a chance to share a meal with

them. I will need help with set-up, clean-up and need some people who can prepare food for the dinner. If you are interested in helping, please contact Adam.

Facebook, Twitter and Online Community

Last August, I gave a talk at a conference called "Communicating Faith in a Web 2.0 World." One portion of my talk focused on the nature of online communities and social networking sites, such as Facebook (www.facebook.com) and Twitter (www.twitter.com). While in seminary, one of the questions we discussed often in relation to youth ministry was, "Should we be using these types of technologies with our ministry? Should we spend time connecting with youth on Facebook or chatting with them online?" Often, the answer was "No, this is NOT real communication or community - it's just 'surfacy' and fake." My response has always been to take up

the opposite point of view - I've seen online communities come together and rally to support people (including an effort I helped run that raised over \$8600 in 3 weeks through my blog for a friend's brother who had cancer), and I've engaged in wonderful online groups that have meant a lot to me.

These types of communities are never meant to "replace" the real, face-to-face encounter with other people - however, they are tools that can enrich and deepen existing relationships and help open us up to new connections and networks we never knew existed. It was with these hopes that I created a Facebook group for our current youth ministry program, and another for

"MYF Alumni" (which currently has about 22 young adults in it).

If anyone ever has any questions about these types of online tools (how to use them, safety issues, etc.) please feel free to contact me and ask me. If there is enough interest, we might put together a night to talk about Facebook and Twitter and the best way youth can use it safely. If you go to the current Youth page on the website, you'll see links to both our Twitter and Facebook pages, as well as to some Flickr photos of current youth program activities. Thanks!

See youth calendar on page 9.

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

Advent Celebration

November 29, 5:00 p.m.

Join us on Saturday, November 29, as we welcome Advent. We will gather in the Sanctuary at 5:00 p.m. for a reading, music and sharing of family crèches. Please bring a potluck item

to share immediately following our service. If you would like to share your family’s crèche, please let me know. We would love you to share it with all.

Christmas Pageant Director Needed

With Advent quickly approaching, we are looking for a director for the Children’s Christmas Pageant. Although the pay is low, the benefits are outstanding! You get the joy of working with very talented children and you also get to see the Christmas story through their eyes. Please consider offering your talents to this wonderful

program. The Christmas Pageant is scheduled for December 16. Rehearsals start in late November. Stop by room 7 and let me know you’re interested!



Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

It is time again for Operation Christmas Child. This wonderful organization brings joy and hope to children in desperate situations worldwide through gift-filled shoe boxes and the Good News of God’s love. Please stop by room 7 if you need a shoe-box to fill or if you would like to drop off items that can be put into a box. Please bring your filled shoe

boxes on Sunday, November 16. We will be blessing these gifts during worship. For more information, please call me. The last day to bring filled shoe boxes is November 23. Let us share our abundant blessings with children in need around the world.

World Kindness week is November 10 to 16.
What will you do to show kindness?

Serving

Bundles of Joy

Asbury is joining with Lynnewood UMC in Pleasanton in their new outreach project, "Bundles of Joy". Asbury will be a collection site for this project. The "Bundles of Joy" project provides baskets of baby care items and newborn clothes to families in the Tri-Valley community, all of whom are participants in Axis' prenatal program. The goal of the program is to donate ten Bundles of Joy to Axis patients each month.

Axis Community Health, provides medical, mental health, substance abuse counseling and health education services to the uninsured and underinsured in the Tri-Valley. We will begin collecting these items on November 2 and they can be left in the box in the Conference Room.

New or gently used items needed:

- Baby bottles
- Newborn diapers
- Baby booties/socks
- Newborn clothes
- Blankets
- Bibs
- Rattles
- Pacifiers
- Wipes
- Cloth toy/stuffed animal
- Baby wash
- Car seats

Giving Tree

We will again be collecting gift cards from local stores and giving them to the group for people in Livermore who need things for Christmas.

There will be a holiday-wrapped box placed on the left side of the Sanctuary on Sunday, November 23. You will have until Sunday, December 7 for your gift cards. Please be sure the amount is written on the card or card holder. The cards can be from any of the local merchants such as Safeway, Nob Hill, Longs Drugs, Payless Shoes, Target, Walmart etc. They will then be handed out to Livermore residents as they are needed and the person can have the fun of selecting gifts for their families.

I am looking into the possibility of any of you who are interested in either getting a gift card for a specific item (bicycle/helmet; tricycle; tools, etc.) or "adopting" an individual or family on your own. I will let you know as soon as the group gets back to me. Knowing how generous you are, I know this will be another successful project. Just remember that you will put big smiles on many faces again this year. Thank you one and all for your participation. Sylvia Moon.

Slidell VIM Trip Number 6

During the week of October 4 - 11, 2008, a team of Asbury church members and friends of our congregation went to Slidell, Louisiana to work once again on the Katrina disaster recovery. We were fortunate to be among the first folks to stay in Aldersgate UMC's new Epworth dormitory facility. The bunks were built on Friday and the building was approved for occupancy that same afternoon. We participated in the dedication ceremony

on Sunday afternoon. They also rededicated a building we worked on in April as a nursery.

Our team of eight shared the building with a team of nine from Michigan and another team of 13, mostly from southern California. We had four Asburyites, two more from the valley and two including our cook Ruth from the Minneapolis area. The other teams were more than willing to adopt Ruth as their cook.

We worked on one house which was by far the nicest home we have worked in. It had two working bathrooms and air conditioning. What a treat. Our efforts consisted of kitchen installations and reworking poorly installed laminate flooring throughout the whole house. The owners, Danny and Dianne Cox appreciated our professional work approach. When we left, the house was ready for occupancy once the countertop and stove arrive.

Although Hurricane Gustav had paid a visit a few weeks before us, the Slidell area had survived with little additional damage. Nearly everyone had evacuated and they were without power for several days.

Our travels around Slidell revealed hardly any FEMA trailers remaining. The East New Orleans area was a different story with rebuilding efforts progressing slowly. It is good to know that the recovery center, Southeast Louisiana Disaster Recovery (SLDR) we work through has established an office in that area with rebuilding efforts underway.

We come back filled with special memories, special moments:

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Serving Continued

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- Dedication of new volunteer facilities at Aldersgate UMC
- Presenting the quilt with our Asbury children's hand prints to hang in the new Aldergate nursery building
- Giving the Coxes the quilt so lovingly prepared by the women of Asbury.
- Meeting other volunteers who shared our passion for living our faith in this way.

Thank you Asbury for your support. You are helping share God's grace with so many people... people who know you care.

Sincerely,

Ruth Coffing, Dick Crawford, Tim Evans, Roger Everett, Coleman Johnson, Brian Lindberg, Ralph Montelius and Alec Willis.



Youth Page Continued

November Schedule of Events

November 2: Movie Night at Church – 6:00 p.m.

November 5: Book Club – 7:00 p.m.

November 9: Youth Lead Worship and then CAs from 5-6.15pm, MYF from 6.30-8:00 p.m.

November 14: Bowling – 7:00 p.m.

November 16: CAs from 5:00-6:15 p.m., MYF from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

November 19: Book Club – 7:00 p.m.

November 23: CAs from 5:00-6:00 p.m.: Dinner for CAs, MYF and anyone in the church that wants to attend from 6:00-6.30 p.m., MYF from 6.30-8:00 p.m.

November 30: No Youth Group



Anniversaries and Birthdays

ANNIVERSARIES

Paul and Karen Bauman
 Alan and Mary Burnham
 Dave and Barbara David
 Patrick and Leila Epperson
 Michael and Rebecca Kohlmoos
 Roy and Susan Lambaren
 Jim and Ysleta McCarty
 Tom and Marilyn Miller
 Art and Kathy Molvik
 Bobb and Carolee Smith
 Marc and Joy Stewart
 Jeff and Susan Wagoner

BIRTHDAYS

Henry Bell
 Rich Bennett
 Katie Bing
 Dave Boercker
 Dave Braun
 Emily Burnham
 Bill Cain
 Frieda Cain
 Josef Campos
 Ed Cook
 Danita Cowgill
 Peggy Donovan
 George Duff
 Morgan Ebbitt
 Alex Epperson
 Laura Evans
 Doug Fedder
 Carol Gordon
 Brian Grant
 Liane Grant
 Katherine Grow
 Herb Guidry
 Terry Halula
 Heather Hammer
 Jocelyn Hart
 Renee Haugen
 Melanie Henderson
 Scott Henderson
 Matthew Hewitt
 Katie Hinz
 Coleman Johnson
 Mikeileen Jones
 Felicia Juan
 Irene Knapp
 Gordon Krauter
 Rosie Krauter
 Sara Lakamsani
 Teri Lambert
 Dorothy Leonard Beatty
 Kayla Levan
 Jackie Loyd
 P.J. Malski
 Ysleta McCarty
 Devin McMahan
 Joe Medeiros
 Gabe Meeker
 Tom Miller
 Kathleen Mitchell
 Carole Nakanishi
 Ron Ng

Jonas Pauliukonis
 John Pettis
 Joanna Raskauskas
 Kris Raskauskas
 Michele Rudd
 Larry Sanford
 Jackie Schlientz
 Darrin Schrader
 Dennis Siebers
 Wes Stark
 Herb Thomas
 Madeline Turk
 Patrick Wagoner
 Shawn Wagoner
 Sheri Watkins
 Philip Weiss
 Vicky Wilson



November 1, 2008 (Saturday)

- 8:00 a.m. Lawn crew F

November 2, 2008 (Sunday)

(See Regular Sunday Schedule on the back page)

- 6:00 p.m. Cinematic Takes on Christianity (Room 9)
- 6:00 p.m. CAs and MYF movie night (Room 15)

November 3, 2008 (Monday)

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

November 4, 2008 (Tuesday)

- Remember to vote

November 5, 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)
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Book Club
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choirs (Sanctuary and Chapel)

November 6, 2008 (Thursday)

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Book Study (Room 10)
- 8:30 a.m. Men's Book Study (Room 10)
- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Heritage Estates)
- 10:30 a.m. Women of the Spirit
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Band (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 p.m. Disciple I (Conference Room)

November 7, 2008 (Friday)

- 7:00 p.m. Disciple II (Conference Room)

November 8, 2008 (Saturday)

- 8:00 a.m. Lawn crew A

November 9, 2008 (Sunday)

(See Regular Sunday Schedule on the back page)

- 6:00 p.m. Cinematic Takes on Christianity (Fireside Room)

November 10, 2008 (Monday)

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

November 11, 2008 (Tuesday)

- 9:30 a.m. UMW (Room 6)
- 7:30 p.m. Staff Parish Relations (Room 6)
- 7:30 p.m. Trustees (Conference Room)

November 12, 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)

November 13, 2008 (Thursday)

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Book Study (Room 10)
- 8:30 a.m. Men's Book Study (Room 10)
- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Heritage Estates)
- 10:30 a.m. Women of the Spirit
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Band (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 p.m. Disciple I (Conference Room)

November 14, 2008 (Friday)

- 7:00 p.m. Disciple II (Conference Room)
- 7:00 p.m. CAs and MYF bowling

November 15, 2008 (Saturday)

- 7:30 a.m. AMEN Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
- 8:00 a.m. Lawn crew B
- 10:00 a.m. Choir Directors (Conference Room)
- 6:00 p.m. Cabaret Night (Fellowship Hall)

November 16, 2008 (Sunday)

(See Regular Sunday Schedule on the back page)

November 17, 2008 (Monday)

- 6:00 p.m. Ladies Night Out (Strings)
- 7:30 p.m. Finance (Conference Room)

November 18, 2008 (Tuesday)

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

November 19, 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)
- 7:00 p.m. Youth Book Club
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choirs (Sanctuary and Chapel)

November 20, 2008 (Thursday)

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Book Study (Room 10)
- 8:30 a.m. Men's Book Study (Room 10)
- 10:00 a.m. Bible Study (Heritage Estates)
- 10:30 a.m. Women of the Spirit
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Band (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 p.m. Disciple I (Conference Room)

November 21, 2008 (Friday)

- 7:00 a.m. Disciple II (Conference Room)

November 22, 2008 (Saturday)

- 8:00 a.m. Lawn crew C

November 23, 2008 (Sunday)

(See Regular Sunday Schedule on the back page)

- 11:00 a.m. Church Conference (Sanctuary)

November 24, 2008 (Monday)

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

November 25, 2008 (Tuesday)

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

November 26, 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)

November 27, 2008 (Thursday)

- Happy Thanksgiving

November 28, 2008 (Friday)

- 7:00 a.m. Disciple II (Conference Room)

November 29, 2008 (Saturday)

- 8:00 a.m. Lawn crew D
- 5:00 p.m. Advent Activities and Potluck (Sanctuary and FH)

November 30, 2008 (Sunday)

(See Regular Sunday Schedule on the back page)

- 8:00 a.m. Pancake Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
- NO Youth groups tonight

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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 (Rooms 6, 9, 12 & Chapel)
- 10:45 a.m. 1001 Questions (Room 13)
- 5:00 p.m. CAs (Room 13)
- 6:30 p.m. MYF (Room 15)
- 7:00 p.m. Handbells (Rooms 11-12)
- 7:00 p.m. Joan of Arcadia (Conference Room)

Newsletter

Would you like to save some trees, some hours of work and some money? You could help by getting the Asbury Articles by email. If you would like to get your Articles by email just contact Joanne Petty at 925-447-1950 ext. 4 and we'll be happy to send them to you.



**Deadline for next Asbury Articles is
Tuesday, November 17, 2008.**