Worship in September: Going on a Safari!

This month in worship, we’ll explore how a compassionate God created us to live in community. We’ll marvel at how impalas, zebras, rhinos and guinea hens reveal God’s compassion.

**September 7:** What do impalas show us about following Jesus? That question, and the celebration of Communion will help us live into the message of John 10.

**September 14:** Wear back and white because we are talking about zebras, and how they take care of each other, illustrating the message in Romans 12.

**September 20:** Rhinoceros have figured out how to use their dung. That’s all I’m going to say for now. (National Rhino day is September 21. Come to worship so you’ll be prepared.) Plus, in worship, you’ll hear a lovely piece of music sung by Jocelyn Hart, accompanied by Bob Cowgill.

**September 27:** Guinea Fowl have the amazing capacity to predict drought. Find out what they (don’t) do to protect the community during dry spells.

See you in Worship!
Chelsea’s Contemplation

A Year of Living Compassionately

What guiding principles do you use to determine how you live your life every day? How do those principles lead you when someone is tailgating you on the highway, when you see a friend struggling, or even when you make choices about how to use water in this drought? As Christians we affirm God’s teaching of love, mercy, and justice as our guiding principles. But how hard is that to remember when we are frustrated with the car behind us that keeps tailgating us? How hard is that to remember when we are caught up in the day to day actions of our lives?

I find community to be such a blessing when I am struggling to allow my actions to be guided by God’s call to love, mercy, and justice. Whether it is the person in the car with you that reminds you to offer grace to a tailgater, or brothers and sisters in Christ that offer us through their actions inspiration for how we can live, community helps us to use God’s guiding principles more and more in our daily lives.

Starting in September, this Asbury community will enter into a year of intentional reflection on what it means to live compassionately. We are calling this time “A Year of Living Compassionately.”

What does it mean to live with compassion? We see images of Jesus living compassionately in Scripture and we see images of our brothers and sisters living compassionately in our community.

One image of compassionate living that comes to mind for me is Teri Lambert washing and bandaging the open wounds on one of our homeless friend’s feet. Our friend comes in once or twice a week, and every time that he does Teri graciously and lovingly tends to his wounds. Watching Teri reminds me of Jesus compassionately washing the disciples’ feet. Their examples move and inspire me to be more intentional about living each day of my life compassionately.

What images in Scripture and in our community capture living compassionately and how do they inspire you to live every day with compassion?

2014 Asbury Follies

Saturday, October 4, 7:00 p.m.

It’s that time again! Time for an evening of music, laughter and fellowship... and you can be a part of it. If you sing or play an instrument, please join us for the Follies. As in the past, you are encouraged to:

1. Choose any piece of music you want to perform, alone or with any number of partners
2. Send Barb David the lyrics or sheet music by September 15
3. Rehearse on your own with your accompanist (live music only, unless you bring your sound engineer with you!)
4. Rehearse with the entire group on Friday, October 3, 7:00 p.m.
5. Perform for your adoring fans on Saturday, October 4, 7:00 p.m.

If you have other mad performance skills that you want to share (dancing, story-telling, juggling or anything else) please contact me and we’ll include you in the fun, too.

Your song will magically become part of a story that the Asbury Players Readers Theater will tell as the evening unfolds.

If you don’t want to perform solo, you can still be a part of the Follies by joining in a group number or the big finale.

And if you don’t want to perform at all, please join us in the audience. Admission is free to all, but donations to APPLAUSE will be dramatically accepted.

For more information, contact Barbara David at home.
Our Two Cents

A short report from the Finance Committee

July 1 marked the half way point through the year and I’m pleased to report that Asbury's 2014 budget is on schedule and in good shape. Total receipts through June totaled to $289,975, which is 49.2% of years anticipated total income. The expenses through June totaled $260,739, but this doesn't include a large insurance payment that is made in December (about $16,2745). We currently expect that we will end 2014 with a surplus. In the coming months, the church council will be discussing a number of "one-time" projects for which these extra funds can be used. For example, some of the money has already been used this summer to do a refurbishment of the bell choir's bells, a maintenance procedure that must be done every 5-10 years.

As always, if you have any questions or comments please talk to Dave Braun or any other members of the Finance committee.

Being In An Asbury Choir is Awesome!

A study released in 2003, found that choral singing – the discipline, attention to detail, teamwork and the social value of the experience – combine to improve the daily lives of the participants, in both work and family relationships.

If you ask Asbury choir members why they sing, they'll tell you: for the back rubs, to see friends, to make beautiful music, to play instruments, to let the music write Scripture passages on their hearts, and/or to get chocolate rewards!

Parents: Consider having your children join a choir. This same 2003 study found choral singing in childhood is an enormous influence on the choices adults make later in life. Those adults are more likely to be involved in charity work, to be aware of current events, and participate in other arts – not just music. Adults: Consider broadening your friendships, musical abilities and faith experience.

All choirs resume after Labor Day and need additional voices!

Adult Choirs

Faith Choir - rehearse every Wednesday night, starting September 3, in the Sanctuary from 7:30-9:00 p.m. and sings in service for two Sundays per month.

First Watch – rehearses once per month, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary and sings the following Sunday (always the fourth Sunday of the month).

Asbury Ringers – Rehearse each Sunday night from 7-9:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. They play in service once per month. If you want to learn how to ring, call Beckie Wiley at home.

Band

Asbury Band – will resume rehearsals in October, on Tuesday nights from 7:30-9:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. They play in service once per month, beginning in November.

Children’s and Youth Choirs

The children's and youth choirs will rehearse Sundays after service, starting September 7 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. All children and youth choirs will meet in the Chapel from 10:30-11:00 a.m. with their parents, to give contact information, get the new choir schedules and for a chocolate treat! After the group meeting, choirs will be dismissed to their rehearsal spaces:

Cherub Choir (Grades K – 2) in Room 6
Rainbow Choir (Grades 3 – 5) in the Sanctuary
Middle School Choir (Grades 6 – 8) in Room 4
High School Choir (Grades 9 – 12) in Room 9

To join any group, talk to anyone in the choirs, call the church office, call Jean Braun at home or just show up for a rehearsal!
Youth Group Kick Off!

It’s that time of the year again! Youth Group kicks off for grades 6 through 12 on September 7 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. This year we will explore the theme "A Year of Living Compassionately." Join us for fun games, good friends, great dinner, and conversation about what it means for us to live out our faith each day by living compassionately.

Youth Happenings for September 2014

- September 7: Youth Group Kick off! 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- September 14: Youth Group 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- September 21: Photo Scavenger Hunt 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- September 28: Youth Group 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Office Hours!

Starting October 10 Pastor Chelsea will hold "office hours" from 3:30-4:15 every Wednesday at Starbucks on 1472 First Street. Come have a free coffee, hang out with friends, and get to know Chelsea a little better!

Confirmation Class 2015

All seventh and eighth graders are invited to join us for Confirmation as we explore what it means to be a member of the church, to deepen our faith, and to live lives that follow Jesus. Confirmation will meet on Sundays from 4:30-5:30 p.m. starting September 21 through April 26, 2015. All seventh and eighth graders and their parents are invited to an informational meeting September 14 at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel. If you have any questions before then please contact Pastor Chelsea or Nancy Deis. We look forward to joining you in the faith journey of Confirmation!

New Members Class

What do United Methodists believe? What does it mean to be a member of the United Methodist Church? Can I be a member of the church and not be sure what I believe?

Joining the church is one of many steps we take on a path of discipleship. For some it might be a first step of commitment, for others it might be a step following a long journey of faith. Wherever you are, whoever you are you are invited and encouraged to consider taking this step.

Pastor Kim and Pastor Chelsea will lead a New Members Class for everyone interested in joining the church. Join us from 7-9:00 p.m. Sunday October 5 and October 12 as we ponder these questions and explore together the journey of discipleship.

Child care will be provided. New Members will be invited to take membership vows and be celebrated as a part of this community on October 26. If you attended a Meet the Pastors gathering and are interested in exploring deeper, you are welcome to join the New Members Class, but are invited to take membership vows on October 26 regardless.

Blood Drive Reaches Milestone

The Livermore Community Blood Drive has been hosted at Asbury since December 30, 2002. Tom and Joanne Petty started it with a small drive. It has grown to be one of the largest community drives in the Bay Area.

In July, the 4000th unit was collected! Each unit is separated into three components (red cells, plasma and platelets) that can be transfused into three different people. This means that this blood drive has potentially saved 12,000 lives!

Tom also reached a personal milestone the same day, and donated his 80th unit since the late ‘80s. He received a pin from the Red Cross for being a 10 gallon donor!
Children’s Ministry

This month I would like to give a brownie point to Kiara Franklin. Recently Kiara was asked a question she could have answered to suit herself. But she didn’t. She showed tremendous love, compassion and consideration by deferring to her younger sister. This was a touching moment that left me overwhelmed with respect and fondness for Kiara. Good for you, Kiara. May you always be as considerate to others...you are a role model for all of us.

To Note:
The school year we will have three classes of kids: Pre-K and K, grades 1-2, and 3-5. This configuration will ensure a healthy number of kids per class. We have 22 regular and four substitute teachers ready to serve kids. Thank you to all volunteers. We couldn’t do this without you. Speaking of volunteers: have you completed your background check? All volunteers must have completed a background check before they will be scheduled with kids. Need help? Call or email Terri Gamble.

We will begin the new Sunday school year out by preparing for Wax Museum Day! What is that you ask? The kids will have heard many Bible stories over the summer. They will have been given a Bible character to learn about. Immediately after worship please look for the kids dressed in costumes, standing on the benches in the courtyard. If you press the “start” button you will see a Bible character come to life right before your very eyes and will hear a little something about that person. Parents, please make every effort to have your kids in Sunday School so they may prepare for this fun event. Wax Museum is September 28.

Next, the kids will study what it means to be a United Methodist. These hands-on activities help kids understand our commitment to Bible study, singing and service.

Club 45 will begin October 5. We have four volunteers for this group that will meet on the first and third Sundays of the month. Thank you Kelly and Jolin and Lauren and Caitee! Club 45 is made up of our fourth and fifth graders. They spend their time together becoming centered in Jesus Christ by doing some kind of activity that helps them grow in faith. Sometimes it’s a Bible activity, other times it’s a revelation of a current event that illuminates God’s love for us. They also serve others at least four times per year. This year Club 45 service projects will include one day at the Asbury campus working at either setting up or taking down the Christmas trees. Another day will include working at the homes of senior citizens doing odd jobs. We will serve at a community event and, finally, each Club 45-er will be asked to perform an act of service outside of a church organized event and to report back to the group what they did and how they felt about it.

Our nursery is gradually filling up so we are adding attendants. Did you know Asbury Nursery Attendants are certified in CPR/first aid? They have also passed a thorough background check and have been trained on best practices. Our next training session is Saturday, September 6 from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

And finally, I am pleased to announce our Christmas Pageant Director and Co-Directors for 2014: Chloe Bennett will direct the cast while Rich and Jackie Bennett and I will serve as her co-directors. Good luck, Chloe, you have the support of your Asbury family behind you!

Dates to Note:
- September 6, 10-12:00 noon, Nursery Attendant Training, room 11
- September 7, Sundae Sunday
  Commission Volunteer Teachers
  Third Grade Bible Presentation
  Photos of Babies/Families/Volunteers
- September 14, 10:45 a.m., Children’s Ministries Committee, Room 8
- September 28, Wax Museum Day

Thanks for bringing your kids to Asbury UMC each week. They are cherished!

Peace and Joy,

Tina Morris
Senior/Retiree Luncheon  
**Thursday September 4, 12:00 p.m.**  
If you’re a senior or a retiree, please come join us in the Fellowship Hall to have a delicious lunch and enjoy some fellowship. Cost is $5/person.

Ladies’ Night Out  
**Tuesday September 19, 6:30 p.m.**  
Ladies of Asbury, let’s get together for an evening out at a local restaurant. This month, we’ll be going to Cattlemens Steakhouse (www.cattlemens.com), on 580. The restaurant is located at 2882 Kitty Hawk Road. If you plan to attend, please RSVP with Nancy Grover so they can tell them how many to expect.

Christian Response to Gun Violence  
**September 28, 7:00 p.m.**  
Lynnewood United Methodist Church in Pleasanton hosts Rev. Sandie Richards, from the Board of Church and Society, on September 28, 7:00 p.m. Her topic is, “The Christian Response to Gun Violence.” The lecture is free, and open to the public. What a wonderful opportunity to explore a complex topic from a faith-based perspective.

Grief Journey Support Groups  
**Mondays, October 27-December 15, 7-8:30 p.m.**  
You do not have to face your grief alone. Hope Hospice offers grief support groups where you have the opportunity to join others who have a similar experience to yours. The trained facilitators provide a safe place to share your thoughts and feelings, to learn about the grief process, and to discover effective coping strategies.

These eight-week sessions provide a way to explore grief, discover hope, and find meaning.

There is no fee for these groups. Call 925-829-8770 for more information.

16th Annual Piano Recital at Asbury

It's hard to believe this is the sixteenth year that Asbury and the Alameda County East Branch of the Music Teachers’ Association of California (MTAC) have co-sponsored the September Piano Recital. Each summer at the MTAC convention, members of our local branch choose a talented young artist to perform at Asbury. This year’s recital will be held on Saturday evening, September 6, 2014, 7:30 p.m. and will last about 50 minutes. The entire congregation and residents of the Tri-Valley area and beyond are warmly invited to attend. Children and music students of any age, and their families, are especially welcome.

This year’s performer is Hanson Tam, a senior at Menlo School in Atherton, CA. He is a student of Dr. William Wellborn of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music Pre-College Division. This summer he was inducted into the prestigious Young Artist Guild of the MTAC. Hanson has won top prizes and given performances in California, as well as nationally and internationally. He made his Carnegie Hall debut in 2010 as a winner of the American Fine Arts Festival.

Mr. Tam has chosen musical gems from the piano repertoire for his performance at Asbury. Among them are a prelude and fugue from Bach's iconic Well-Tempered Clavier (in D Major WTC II), and sonatas by Beethoven (Op. 90) and Prokofiev (Op. 14). Also on his program is Liszt's dramatic and passionate Mephisto Waltz No. 1.

Do mark your calendar for this evening of unforgettable music performed by a gifted young musician. The recital is open to all at no charge. Refreshments will be served afterward. For more information, contact Anne Coll at home.
Serving Others With Love

Thank You Asbury!

In the past few months, Asbury received several thank you notes.

Habitat for Humanity thanked us for being a faith partner. We joined with 17 other local churches and raised $50,000, which was matched by an anonymous donor. We joined with other faith communities and gave over 1000 hours at home renovations on Andrews Street and Ruth Way.

United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) thanks us for our financial support which goes to programs to fight hunger and poverty, assist the displaced, and respond to disasters.

Roger Everett gave in another way. He joined UMCOR efforts in the Yukon, working for two weeks in Alaska.

And here’s a shout out to the Asbury team that continues to donate countless work hours to renovate the Tri Valley Haven Thrift Store, 116 N. L St. Stop by and ooh and ah at all the renovations, as well as the great deals. Contact Steve Elliott if you’d like to help out during the week.

Thanks, Asbury, for all the ways you serve others with love!

Celebrating Haiti Mission Efforts

"God has called me to this mission." When the earthquake in Haiti happened in January 2010, James Laraze was supposed to be in his college class in Port au Prince. However, for several reasons, he did not go that day. As it turned out, his school was destroyed and his classmates died. Yet James was spared by not being there. With that, James felt he was being called to serve the people of Haiti. He subsequently met one of our mission teams, quit his banking job and dedicated himself to serving the people of the area around Thomas, Haiti as the onsite leader of the Thomas Food Project.

James recently participated in worship at Asbury. James is in the United States for a month visiting many of the churches in the Cal-Nevada Conference that support the mission. He will also be speaking at a United Methodist sponsored conference in Nashville about the ongoing work. His perspective on the importance of our work in Haiti is a powerful story of helping improve the quality of life and providing opportunity for the kids of his country.

A mission that Asbury has supported for nearly four years, the program now includes five schools where clean water systems, solar power and computers have been installed. A sixth school will be added in November. Two of these schools have a school lunch program. There is ongoing teacher training, community education classes and now, solar powered lighting.

Tri-Valley Haven Thrift Store Project

We are pleased to report that the work to renovate the Tri-Valley Haven Thrift Store reached a major milestone at the end of July. We completed the renovation of the retail space and installation of the new landscaping. With that, TVH hosted a ribbon cutting on August 1 and a grand reopening on August 2. This is a big deal to TVH since the store is an integral part of their future revenue model given the recent reductions in government funding for services to victims of domestic violence and homelessness.

A special thank you to all the many volunteers at Asbury and Lynnewood UMC for your time this year making this renovation happen. We will resume work on August 25 to complete the new donation workroom and store office. Contact the Asbury Church office for more information.
Celebrating Habitat for Humanity Work

On August 15, the dedication of the house we worked on in Livermore was held. This was a rehab for Habitat for Humanity for which a team from Asbury lead the demolition work and then contributed many hours to the rebuild. The house came out great!

Remodeled Home
The family moving into the home is the St. Denis family – Matthew, Leah, Noah, Jacob and Joscelyn. They are looking forward to returning to Livermore and becoming more settled. They have moved 7 times in 8 years while Matthew was in the Navy and with his current job, always trying to find an affordable place to live. This rehab was the first of up to five houses in a partnership between Habitat and the City of Livermore to address veterans housing. As a Habitat homeowner the family contributed 500 hours of sweat equity as their down payment.

This project was the fifth that Asbury has lead completely, or in part, for Habitat. Previous projects included refresh of three homes in the Freeda Court development several years ago (Asbury as was a part of the original construction of Freeda Court) and last year’s remodel of a condo in Concord. Next up for our church is providing a monthly team to help with the construction of a new Habitat sponsored development in Martinez.

Camp Lodestar Mission Trip Report

Hard work. Great fellowship. Beautiful setting. This year’s trip to Camp Lodestar was a rewarding time of living our faith. It was a blessing to be of service.

One of the United Methodist owned camps, Camp Lodestar is set in a wooded, remote area of the Sierra Foothills. It is a busy place each summer, bustling with youth camps, adult retreats and other gatherings. And, at 60 years old, it has aged. With this use and age comes the need for lots of upkeep and renewal.

Our July team of seventeen from the Asbury and Lynnewood churches took on several construction and maintenance tasks – building a new work area fence at the dining hall, replacing a small landing on one of the dorms, painting two bathhouses and staining the camp play structure.

The two construction jobs were moderate in size, but challenging to complete. Both required thoughtful design and working all day in the hot sun. We had a couple of very talented construction leaders.

The painting work was tedious, hot work on facilities that really needed some attention. The bathhouses look so much better and got immediate use from the campers coming in the day we left. We imagined the laughter that will fill the air at the refreshed play structure in the weeks and years to come.

While the work of these mission trips is rewarding, we all find the camaraderie of the days together the most meaningful part. Our reflection time each evening focused this year on the Kingdom of God. Pastor Chelsea challenged us to explore questions like "What is the Kingdom of God?" "When and where do we see or live the Kingdom?"

We laughed a lot. We shared stories of our lives. We talked of challenges. We talked about friends and family. We retold some of our favorite past mission experiences. The whispering pines of the camp echoed with the joy of "being in this place, at this time and for this purpose."
What Does a Christ-Centered Community Look Like?

Our core values statement begins with the phrase "Centered in Jesus Christ." But, what does a community centered in Jesus Christ look like? As you might guess, many thoughtful views have been expressed to help answer this question. Here is an edited description of how John Ortberg, senior pastor of Menlo Park Presbyterian Church, explained it to his congregation.

Jesus' community is a community where:

1. **Everybody is welcome.** What was staggering in Jesus' day was what it looked like when there was a leader like Jesus before whom everybody was welcome. Jesus himself scandalized people, especially religious leaders, because what was most striking about him wasn't just his teaching, wasn't just his healing; it was, above all else, how he would welcome, love, accept, embrace, and include anybody who came up to him. It didn't matter.

   You read the Gospels. They're full of these stories. Gentiles, pagans, Samaritans, prostitutes, tax collectors, lepers, sinners, Romans, slaves, cheats, adulterers, the demon possessed, the unclean, the un‐washed, the unloved, spiritual losers. They're drawn to Jesus like a magnet, and he just loves it. He has such a heart for everybody, and they all want a piece of it.

   This was so striking, the religious leaders, when they looked at Jesus, said about him, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." There's that little word again. "This man welcomes sinners." They didn't intend this as a compliment, you understand, but Jesus wore it like a giant badge of honor. With Jesus, everybody is welcome. It was the most amazing thing. His own disciples didn't even get it.

   Then after Jesus died and the Holy Spirit came on them, the strangest thing happened to his community. It became a place like no place that had ever existed before. It became a community where everybody in the world, ethnic background, religion, moral history, rich, poor, were just welcome, to such an extent that Paul wrote to the church at Galatia, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female..."

2. **Nobody is perfect.** Isn't that good news? Paul said, "There is no difference, for all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God." In this community, there's no judging anybody. In this community, there's no separating people into the superior and the inferior, into the better and the worse. We're just people who need the grace of God, every one of us. In a Christ‐centered community, we don't look down. We don't pass judgment. We don't divide up into us versus them. We speak the truth in love. We hold each other accountable. We confess sin. This is a place where everybody is welcome. This is a place where nobody is perfect.

3. **With Jesus, anything is possible.** Since the Holy Spirit came, anything is possible. Jesus himself said one time, "All things are possible for the one who believes." When God sends the Holy Spirit, when Jesus gets ahold of a life, puts his Spirit in somebody, and starts transforming their heart and mind and they begin to be changed, they begin to do through the Holy Spirit what they could never do through merely human ability. All things are possible for the one who believes.

   Something happens when we put a stake in the ground and make a commitment that doesn't happen when we form a task force to study something and make recommendations. Have you all noticed that? Hardly ever in the Bible do you see God forming task forces to make recommendations.

   Since God sent the Holy Spirit and started the church, there has never been anything like it. Never will be. He sent his Spirit down, and people get redeemed and people get saved and people get humbled and greedy hearts get generous and deceitful people get honest. Proud people start serving. There has never been anything like this...ever. Now this is our day. This is where God has us. Everybody is welcome. Nobody is perfect. Anything is possible.

   --Cory Coll
Anniversaries and Birthdays

Anniversaries
Harry and Cordelia Bate
Steve and Anne Bettencourt
Dave and Dale Boercker
Larry and Elaine Clary
Dave and Terri Gamble
Dick and Diane Larder
John and Connaught Lindberg
Kent and Mitchie McAmmon
Raj and Diana Nathan
John and Peg Pettis
Andy and Christina Pomykal
Dave and Cheryl Seberger
Erin and Jonathan Senge
Carl and Colleen Sorem
Dan and Hitomi Westfall
Cal and Dixie Wood

Birthdays
Kyle Beach
Emily Bennett
Kenneth Bernstein
Dale Boercker
Susan Bothwell
Chris Buckley
Jan Buckley
Tim Buckley
Gene Burke
Chuk Campos
Kellie Campos
Cathy Carter
Nancy Carter
Pat Carter
LaVerne Cave
Larry Chase
Sharmyn Crawford
Gary Deis
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Joshua Hart
Patricia Holladay
Pamela Jeakins
Paul Jones
Edie Lamb
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Nicole Stewart
Jean Swartwood
Diane Thompson
Jenna Webb
John Wiley
Mark Wiley
September 2014 Calendar

Please visit the Asbury website calendar for the latest updates: http://www.asburylive.org/events

Weekly Recurring Events

Sundays
- 9:00 a.m. Worship, Sunday School, Sanctuary
- 10:15 a.m. Butterfly Gardens is open
- 10:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Fellowship Hall
- 10:45 a.m. Children and Youth Choirs
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Group
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Ringers, Rooms 11-12

Tuesdays
- 12:00 p.m. Open Heart Kitchen, Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Alanon/Alateen, Rooms 13-15

Wednesdays
- 12:00 p.m. Open Heart Kitchen, Fellowship Hall

Thursdays
- 10:30 a.m. Women of the Spirit
- 7:00 p.m. AA, Rooms 11-12

Saturdays
- 8:00 a.m. Lawn Crew
- 9:00 a.m. AA, Rooms 11-12

September 4, 2014 (Thursday)
- 12:00 p.m. Senior/Retiree Luncheon, FH

September 6, 2014 (Saturday)
- 7:30 p.m. 16th Annual Piano Recital, Sanctuary

September 7, 2014 (Sunday)
- 5:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry, Fireside Room

September 9, 2014 (Tuesday)
- 11:00 a.m. The Long Good-bye, Fireside Room

September 14, 2014 (Sunday)
- 10:30 a.m. Finance, Conference Room

September 16, 2014 (Tuesday)
- 6:30 p.m. Ladies’ Night Out, Cattlemens, 2882 Kitty Hawk Road

September 19, 2014 (Friday)
- 1-7:00 p.m. Livermore Community Blood Drive, FH

September 21, 2014 (Sunday)
- 10:30 a.m. Trustees, Conference Room
- 5:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry, Fireside Room

September 23, 2014 (Tuesday)
- 11:00 a.m. The Long Good-bye, Fireside Room

September 28, 2014 (Sunday)
- 10:30 a.m. Church Council, Conference Room
Asbury United Methodist Church
4743 East Avenue
Livermore, CA 94550

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Livermore Community Blood Drive
Friday, September 19, 1:00-7:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
The summer has been hard with blood shortages across the nation. We need all available blood donors to come out. Please call Tom Petty at for more information, or sign up at redcrossblood.org and use sponsor Code: ASBURY925. Thank you for helping to save a life by giving blood!

www.AsburyLive.org

Church office hours are:
Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
Closed for lunch.
The deadline for the next Asbury Articles is Thursday, September 18, 2014.