March Mission & Outreach Opportunities

For more information or to sign up for any of these mission and outreach opportunities, please contact Steve Elliott or stop by the Serve Others With Love Table during the Fellowship Hour after worship.

**Wednesday, March 4**—Asbury shifts at Open Heart Kitchen, 9:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

**Friday, March 6-April 5**—Lenten Food Drive

**Sunday, March 8**—Laundry Ministry Open House after worship. Stop by!

**Monday, March 9-27**—Asbury hosts the Livermore Homeless Refuge

**Wednesday, March 11**—Interfaith Habitat for Humanity Rally, 7:00 p.m. in Walnut Creek

**Friday, March 13**—Livermore Community Blood Drive

**Sunday, March 15**—Special Offering, One Great Hour of Sharing

**Saturday, March 21**—Habitat for Humanity Workday in Martinez, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**Yard Signs**

We have about 100 yard signs that advertise our Easter worship services. Our hope is to have these placed in every neighborhood in Livermore and surrounding communities. Please pick up a yard sign to display in your yard or at your place of work. They are available for pick up (in the courtyard) each Sunday beginning March 8. Please display prominently then return to church or Tina after Easter Sunday. Thank you for helping us get the word out about our worship times for Easter Sunday.
Marked by ashes we step out in to the wilderness,  
Marked by our failures,  
Marked by our mortality,  
Marked by the ashy dust that reminds us of the fires and pains that we have felt in our lives,  
Marked by the cross that gathers all of our ash up to You.  
We follow You out to the wild wilderness,  
We leave behind our comfort, our familiar, our safety,  
We leave behind our notions of self-sufficiency,  
We leave behind our righteousness.  
We know that the wilderness is not safe. In the wilderness between Egypt and the Promised Land, the Israelites experienced fatigue, frustration, and despair. They turned to complaint and anger. In the wilderness after being cast out by Sarah and Abraham, Hagar watched in anguish as her son began to perish and she could not save him. In this wilderness a hungry and thirsty Jesus encountered temptation,  
Temptation of self-sufficiency,  
Temptation of power,  
Temptation of wealth and prestige,  
Temptations to take the easy way out, to act as though God does not exist or as though God lays no claim on our actions.  
The wild and dangerous temptations, frustrations, and desairs lurk in wait for us in the wilderness. We meet them each step of this journey. But we know God waits for us in the wilderness too,  
Bread from heaven rains down to feed us so that we are strengthened for the journey,  
God leads us to previously undiscovered sources of water that cool the scorching heat,  
Jesus reminds us that temptations do not mean failure but instead opportunity to re-discover God and ourselves.  
We meet in the wilderness the wild grace of God that reminds us why we choose to go into the wilderness,  
So that we can meet God again anew,  
So that we may be changed by the grace that we experience afresh,  
So that at the end of 40 days, when our journey of lent is over, we can walk out of the dead wilderness singing with our whole lives:  
"God is alive!"  
"Ashes turn to new life!"  
"Come, and rise from the dead! Come, and live in the grace of Easter!"

Thank You Asbury UMC!

Every year, the Serving Others with Love committee (formerly known as Missions Committee) donates money to local causes. In January of 2015, the committee donated $500 to Alameda County Community Food Bank. Susan Bateson, executive director, wrote us a thank you note: "Thank you, Asbury, for your contribution to the Alameda Country Food Bank. Your support is ensuring children, adults and seniors need not worry about where their next meal is coming from.  
The Food Bank now serves 1 in 5 country residents. These are our neighbors, friends, and families overwhelmed with the skyrocketing cost of living, struggling to get by every day....For every dollar you contributed, we will provide $6 worth of healthy food—and so much more—to families in need. Thank you for partnering with us in our pursuit of a hunger-free community."

Free Evaluations for Memory Loss

San Francisco Clinical Research Center offers free evaluations for memory loss, mild cognitive impairment, and Alzheimer’s. Treatments and options are available. Call 415-673-4600 to schedule an evaluation for yourself, someone you know and/or a concerned love one.
A Sobering Evening on Oakland’s Streets

Several of us at Asbury recently participated in the Alameda County Homeless Count. Conducted every two years, the Count is a comprehensive survey of the homeless in the country, how they got homeless and the challenges they face.

My assignment was to assist with the count in the City of Oakland. Starting at 4:00 p.m. we traversed the bowels of the city visiting homeless encampments, parks and other gathering places. I traveled with the Mobile Outreach Unit of Operation Dignity. Operation Dignity, focused primarily on veterans, offers homeless veterans support services, transitional housing and other types of aid. However, the Mobile Unit reaches out to anyone they encounter to offer help.

We traveled from location to location, stopping from 10 to 30 minutes at various locations to hand out a meal, offer clothing and to ask a few survey questions. Troubling, to say the least. Tents, cardboard boxes, scraps of wood and metal are called “home.” Some “homes” were under overpasses (good shelter from rain). Other encampments are located along industrial parks. We even visited one behind a Target Store.

I was intrigued by how creative the homeless population of my outreach creates “family,” finds and shares food and clothing and other castoff societal waste. I was saddened to hear their stories. I met many nice people who just got themselves into a situation of their own doing by bad choices; or as often as not, by things that happened to them in life.

I came away from this brief encounter with the needs of the homeless humbled and painfully aware that I have so many blessings in my life. I also realized (again!) that, whenever possible, we should offer even modest help as a church living our faith in the world.

Steve Elliott

Have you invited anyone to church this month?

Circles: Poverty Reduction Strategy

On Thursday February 19, members of Asbury, five other area churches, local social service agencies, and staff members from Congressman Swalwell’s office, gathered in our fireside room to learn more about Circles. Circles is a community based, national program designed to reduce poverty.

We at Asbury are committed to addressing hunger and homelessness in our community. And we live with nagging questions: how can we do more than respond in mercy to the immediate needs? How can those who are able move beyond poverty?

We are actively exploring the Circles approach. Stay tuned! And if you are interested in learning more now, see Pastors Kim or Chelsea, Steve Elliott, Teri Lambert, or Terri Gamble.
"Where to Go from Here" was an article in the November 2014 issue of Asbury Articles that suggested we members of Asbury need to reexamine how welcoming we actually are and asked are we truly serving all members of our community. An article that appeared in the December issue expressed the belief that it's timely and necessary at Asbury to resume discussions on homosexuality and other aspects of gender identity. The article questioned could we do more to be truly open and welcoming to all persons including those who identify as LGBTQ.

So, where are we going from here? There were meetings held in November and January to which everyone in the church was invited, and during these two meetings we reopened the possibility of Asbury becoming a Reconciling Church. The January meeting had Rev John Oda, Chair of the Board of the Reconciling Ministries Network, as our special guest. It was clear from those in attendance that there is a strong desire within our congregation to be welcoming as a congregation to all in our community, including to those within the LGBTQ community. At the same time it was apparent that we weren't sure what that meant. There were questions and concerns such as why is it that we need to change, how would we be different, how would that change be made, what would a changed Asbury look like, and numerous others.

In order to begin to answer some of these questions, a core team, currently consisting of Dale Boercker, Leila Epperson, Bill Groth, Martie Muldoon, Val Pace, Margot Platt and Larry Wiley, has been formed to look for answers to these questions. The core team, which now has a process coach, has begun meeting weekly and is utilizing a welcoming toolkit titled, "Building an Inclusive Church". We are developing a process plan that will intend to make certain that we take into consideration and discuss the thoughts, feelings, opinions, concerns and questions of all members of our congregation who wish to share them. There will be educational sessions, discussions, surveys and other opportunities to give input, actively listen to each other and reach a consensus. Some members of the core team will be attending an all day training workshop in San Jose on March 7. The process will take as long as necessary to choose our path and to determine where we are going and how to be more inclusive and supporting to all those who seek to be followers of Jesus.

We have uncovered at least some partial answers to the many questions that exist:

1. What does it mean to become a Reconciling Methodist Church?

To be reconciled means to restore harmony in our relationship with God and one another through Jesus Christ. A reconciling church is one that adopts a public statement which, while inclusive of all families and individuals, specifically welcomes persons of all sexual orientations and gender identities. The statement is used publicly, for example, on the church web site and in church bulletins. Our current welcoming statement seeks to do this. It is also shared with the Reconciling Ministries Network in order to reach the larger community.

2. Asbury UMC is already a welcoming church, so why does it need to be reconciling?

While our congregation has a welcoming spirit, there are statements in the United Methodist Church literature that send a conflicting message. The UMC's Book of Discipline states that the church "does not condone the practice of homosexuality and considers this practice incompatible with Christian teaching." Lesbian and gay people are the only group in society singled out for discrimination in the Discipline. Such statements reinforce a belief among many lesbian and gay, as well as bisexual and transgender, people that they are not welcome in the UMC.

Second, for a lot of LGBTQ persons, the predominant messages coming out of many Christian churches make them feel unsafe and unwelcome. Thus, we cannot expect LGBTQ people to assume they are welcome in our congregation unless we specifically tell them they are. We need to be intentional in our congregation’s welcome to LGBTQ individuals.

Finally, reconciling suggests a larger meaning than just welcoming, specifically that of healing. There is a long history in society and Christianity of inflicting violence, hatred, and discrimination against LGBTQ people. Many have not heard the words, "You are a child of God and God loves you as you are." Thus many LGBTQ people have a broken relationship with God, and there is brokenness in the church because so many of God’s children are excluded. To be reconciled means to restore harmony in our relationship with God through Jesus Christ and with one another.

Other questions have been posed. Won't this issue split our congregation? Will Asbury become a "gay congrega-

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Celebrate Community

Ladies’ Night Out
Tuesday March 3, 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 the Lazy Dog (www.lazydogrestaurants.com), in Dublin. The restaurant is located at 4805 Hacienda Drive off S80. If you plan to attend, please RSVP with Nancy Grover so they can tell them how many to expect.

Senior/Retiree Luncheon
Thursday March 5, 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 per person.

April Senior/Retiree Luncheon
Thursday, April 2, 10:00 a.m.
On Thursday, April 2, seniors and retirees are invited to take a historical walking tour of downtown Livermore. Meet at the fountain in front of the Carnegie Building (3rd Street and J Street) at 10:00 a.m.
The tour is about a mile and will be led by a docent from the Livermore Heritage Guild. Following the tour, we will have lunch at one of the restaurants downtown. The cost for lunch will depend on where we decide to eat. Sign up for the tour in the Fellowship Hall following worship on Sundays or contact the church office.

Asbury Players Community Theater Presents
THE GAMES’S AFOOT OR HOLMES FOR THE HOLIDAYS
March 7-15, 2015
Don’t miss this murderously funny mystery, winner of the 2012 Edgar Award for Best Play from the Mystery Writers of America by playwright Ken Ludwig, author of “Lend Me a Tenor” and “Moon Over Buffalo”.

And for an extra special evening, join us for a delicious dinner before the 8:00 p.m. performance on Saturday night, March 14, for only $7 at 7:00 p.m., courtesy of Asbury’s Fellowship Team.

Family Camp Survey
Family Camp is coming soon! At this time, we are taking pre-sign ups for anyone who is interested in attending Family Camp. Please download and fill out the survey here: http://bit.ly/1AM1st6.

Mark your first, second and third choices for dates and campsites and return the survey no later than March 22. This is to gauge the interest and the number of campsites we will need when LARPD opens registration in April. For more information contact Mitchie McCammon at 925-447-1950 x106.

All Church Work Day
March 14 & 28, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Mark your calendars! It is time for the all-church clean up/work days. Everyone is invited and encouraged to help one or both days, March 14 and 28, from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

We will be cleaning the campus from top to bottom. All supplies will be provided. There is a lot to do and many hands make the work go much faster (it’s more fun too!). There will be jobs for all ages and abilities. We will even provide breakfast and lunch. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall so we know how much food to purchase.
Mission Trip to New York

April 25-May 2, 2015

Now two years after Superstorm Sandy, thousands of homes still need repair. We are going April 25-May 2 to assist with the recovery. We will be working on Staten Island, in Brooklyn or on Long Island. We will stay at a Methodist Church. The cost is a total of about $700 to $900. More information is available by contacting Steve Elliott or Roger Everett. Registrations are due by March 22.

Missions and outreach scholarships available – Would you like to participate in this mission trip, but are concerned about the cost? We have scholarship funds available to help. See Steve Elliott for more information.

Lenten Food Drive

March 6-April 5, 2015

Help us feed those in need by donating non-perishable food to the Alameda County Community Food Bank. This is a challenging time of year for donations and we want to help. Donation barrels will be in the Sanctuary and church office.

Suggested donations include: canned vegetables, fruits or meats, pasta, tomato sauce, beans, rice, peanut butter, cereal/oatmeal or powered milk.

One Great Hour of Sharing

March 15, 2015

One of the most important special offerings of the year, One Great Hour of Sharing, provides the funding to operate the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). The money received through this offering covers UMCOR’s cost of doing business. This offering makes it possible for UMCOR to direct 100% of all other contributions to the disasters and projects our donors specify.

New Laundry Ministry at Asbury

On March 11, a new laundry ministry will begin at Asbury. For years, Asbury members have experimented with ways to help those in poverty clean their clothes.

For a time, church members would set aside a weekend day, and invite folks who do not live in a home to bring their dirty clothes to Asbury, and church members would shuttle the clothes to a local laundry mat. That worked for a time.

When the new fellowship hall was completed, kind hearted church members often ran loads of laundry for clients at Open Heart Kitchen. Having clean clothes is something we might take for granted, but is a real need for others, especially before job interviews or other important events.

When people took showers on Wednesday, we provided clean underwear and socks, and threw away dirty undergarments. Surely there was a better way?

At a gathering of local clergy last summer, Pastor Kim wondered what we in local faith communities might do to address this need.

The Unitarian Universalist Church offered to donate $5000 to start a laundry ministry at Asbury. Our Church Council, Finance Committee and Trustees all weighed in on this and began to explore options.

Our Thanksgiving Special Offering went in part to this new laundry ministry. And other donations came in through our Alternative Gift Giving Christmas Catalogue. We now had the resources, and church governance approval, to go ahead.

Roger Everett and Dick Crawford helped make the vision come true. In addition to hooking up gas, electricity, water and sewer, Roger found a used washer and dryer for us at the Tri Valley Haven Thrift Store. (Thank you Dick and Roger!)

On Sunday, March 8, after worship, stop by the "new" laundry ministry and see how we are well on our way to meeting this need.

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laundry shed near the garden and take a tour. The ministry will open on Wednesday, March 11, from 12:00-6:00 p.m.

For the first four weeks, we are looking for volunteers to help supervise folks as they do their own laundry. The idea is to take note of what is working, and what new guidelines or rules need to be in place. If you can sign up for a three-hour shift on March 11, March 18, March 25 or April 1, please call the church office at 925-447-1950. A volunteer from the Unitarian Universalist Church will be working each shift as well. After the first month of operation, we will collect information from volunteers and clients, and then make decisions on how to go forward.

Habitat for Humanity
March 21, 2015

Our next workday is Saturday, March 21. We will be going to work at the new Muir Ridge development in Martinez from 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. We will carpool from Asbury UMC. To sign up, contact Bob Hoffman or stop by the Serve Others With Love table during Fellowship after worship.

Big news – Asbury will be participating in a major interfaith build event in June. More on that later. Leading up to this, we will be participating in an all faiths rally on Thursday, March 12 at the Walnut Creek Presbyterian Church, 7-8:30 p.m. See Bob Hoffman or stop by the Serve Others Table. We will likely carpool from the church to this event as well.

Asbury’s Flower Group

Note: The flower fund is self-sufficient and does not get money budgeted for it.

We thought that it was about time that you know all about our flower group and where your money goes when you buy flowers on Sunday. The flower garden is located behind the Sanctuary. We plant, cut, weed, and gather bouquets on Saturday morning to sell after church on Sunday. ALL of the money, after expenses, goes into the flower fund to be used for various things for our church. Here are a few of the things that we have done with the money from the flower sales:

• Most importantly it pays for buying flowers (when we aren’t growing them)
• To make Altar Arrangement throughout the year.
• Helped pay for some of the landscaping for the new Fellowship Hall
• Helped pay for new lights over the bell choir area and toward a new bell
• Purchased a large artificial Christmas Tree for the kids
• Donated to youth projects and mission trips
• Rugs for the front & back of the Sanctuary, plants for the Sanctuary
• Funds to the choirs for new music
• Decorated 2 women’s restrooms
• HEIFER project
• Feed many birds with the seeds

We love volunteers and would welcome you for any time you have to give. We have fun in the garden as well as go on field trips and out to a meal once or twice a year. You can’t find a better place to feel close to God and God’s creations.

If you are interested, please talk to any of the following: Pat Baker, Dee Bing, Martha Fields, Jolin Gully, or Glenda Warren.
Youth Happenings for March 2015

- **March 1**: Middle & High School Youth Group 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- **March 8**: Youth Group Laser Tag 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- **March 15**: Youth Building Health Kits 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- **March 22**: Youth Movie Night 5:30-7:15 p.m.
- **March 29**: No Youth Group (Spring Break)

**Youth Group Laser Tag**

**March 8, 2015**

On March 8, middle and high school youth groups will see who can channel James Bond the best as we play laser tag!

We will meet at Asbury at 5:30 p.m. and carpool over to Zone Laser in Dublin. Pick up will be back at Asbury at 7:00 p.m.

We will not have time to eat dinner, so please either eat beforehand or bring a snack. Please bring $20 to pay for the games of Laser Tag. If any parents are interested in driving, please email Chelsea.

**Youth Movie Night**

**March 22, 5:30 p.m.**

Join us for popcorn, pizza, and a good movie! Sunday, March 22 we will watch Millions, a comedy about a boy who has to figure out what to do when a big bag of millions of dollars falls out of the sky in front of his feet. It's a funny and heartwarming movie with great reviews! Because the movie is just over 1.5 hours, youth group won't be over until about 7:15. Millions is rated PG.

Children’s Ministry

Greetings, Asbury families. Last week our Sunday School lesson was about God’s love lasting forever. It was interesting to hear the kids define and explain infinity. Given enough time, they came up with some deep and meaningful insights. It could be an interesting dinner topic at your house.

We are currently going through some lessons designed to help us understand Lent; Jesus’ ministry, crucifixion and resurrection. Please note we need the kids to help us in worship on Palm Sunday, March 29. The kids will participate in a processional, waving palms and placing them below the altar. They can meet me outside the Sanctuary just before worship.

Join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt immediately following the 9:00 worship on Easter Sunday, April 5. All kids up through fifth grade are invited. Bring your own Easter basket. Youth are needed to help hide the eggs during Sunday School.

Parents, please bring two dozen filled eggs. (no nuts, please) to room 7 or to the sanctuary by March 29.

The kid’s Sunday School classes are collecting empty one dozen egg cartons. Please save yours. You may drop off in room 7, the sanctuary or the church office. These are needed by March 29.

A Prayer to say over your child this month: “God, help me be still and listen to my child. Guide my responses so that I, too, may be a loving parent in all ways. Amen.”

Finally, thank you all for your cards, prayers, remembrances, calls and concern. I am blessed to be part of such a caring church family. I am doing well and love you all.

Peace,

Tina Morris
Final Stewardship Report

“Treasure: A Stewardship Program on Faith and Money”

We wish to thank members and supporters of Asbury United Methodist Church for their participation in the 2014 Stewardship program. We understand that giving is part of our spiritual growth. In giving financially, we become more aware of how spending, saving, and giving reflect our hopes and prayers for our community and world. Thank you for all the ways you grow spiritually!

The number of us pledging has stayed nearly constant for the last three years, at 130 to 134 families, while the amount pledged has increased from $461,500 in 2013 to $491,300 in 2014 and to $492,800 this year. The 6.5% increase in giving last year was well above the rate of inflation (0.8-1.5%), and the level of giving has been maintained this year, with the average annual pledge being about $3,700.

The total given to Asbury’s ministries exceeds the pledged amount by about $56,000. This comes mostly from another 75 families, contributing an annual average of $750.

We believe that these figures show a significant level of commitment by our members to the ministries of Asbury United Methodist Church; yet leaves room for a growth in commitment towards tithing for many of us.

In addition, 52 families pledged over $67,000 during 2015 towards paying off the Fellowship Hall Debt. It is looking possible to pay off this debt during 2015, and be debt-free for the first time in about a quarter century – since we got into the Sanctuary construction project in the late 1980’s.

If you haven’t pledged, and want to or need to change your pledge, please contact Gail Bryan.

In Christ,
Art Molvik, Elizabeth Piscotty, Dick Crawford, Kim Risedorph
The 2014 Stewardship Team

Be Part of the Welcoming Efforts

Do you consider yourself to be a warm and welcoming person? Do you see our church that way? We need additional help in our welcoming congregations efforts. Please let Tina know if you feel called to participate in one or more of the following:

- Hosting the Visitor Welcome Table-greet visitors, hand out a gift and information, help visitors make connections.
- Hosting the Beverage Service-preparing, serving and cleaning up our fellowship beverages; coffee, tea, hot chocolate, lemonade.
- Hosting the Bagel Table-preparing serving and cleaning up bagel snacks during fellowship time. Jean Braun leads this effort.
- Serving as a Greeter. Tim Evans leads this effort.

For more information, contact Tina at 925-447-1950 x105.

Building an Inclusive Church (cont’d)

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In the weeks and months to come we will attempt to find answers to these and other questions as they arise. The issue of Asbury becoming an inclusive church deserves to be thoroughly explored. There needs to be discussion, transparency, conversation, prayer, questioning, and reflection. It will be important for all of us to talk with and listen to our Asbury sisters and brothers with open hearts and minds in an atmosphere of love and caring.
Anniversaries

Dave and Christie Crozier
Don and Kathy Faul
Bob and Jean Howe
John and Laurie Linden
James and Billie Rigg
George and Carol Wilson

Birthdays

Kathryn Atkinson
Margaret Baker
Paul Bauman
Rebecca Bernstein
Anne Bettencourt
Kim Braun
Peter Buckley
Aaron Burnham
Alex Cano
Preston Carter
Kim Christensen
Larry Clary
Jennifer Danan
Sue Ellen Schell
Paul Epperson
Tim Evans
Roger Everett
Josh Fedder
Laurel Fedder
Martha Fields
Archer Futch
Britney Gamble
Austin Gnecco
Emily Gnecco
David Grant
Alexa Hart
Spencer Haugen
Daniel Howell
Noelle Item
Lou Johnstone
Kelli Kenward
Travis Koon
Diane Larder
John Lindberg
Kyle Lindsay
Jim Lyle
Joe Malski
Marilyn Miller
Aine Molvik
Art Molvik
Keith Nakanishi
Barbara North
Val Pace
Cameron Paiso
Nancy Pauliukonis
Alex Piscotty
Juliana Raskauskas

Anniversaries

Amber Rice
Emily Rice
Robert Roorke Mills
Sarah Rudd
Jimmy Rundren
Maclaren Schell
Aaron Siegel
Aidan Taylor
Erik Taylor
Laura Ullrich
Michelle Ullrich
Sunny Webb
Arthur Weiss
June Weiss
Lauren Weiss
Mike Whipple
Steve Worth
March 2015 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
- 10:30 a.m. Children and Youth Choirs
- 10:30 a.m. Small Groups
- 10:45 a.m. Financial Peace University, Fireside Room
- 4:30 p.m. Confirmation, Room 10
- 5:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry, Fireside Room
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Group, Room 13
- 5:30 p.m. Club 45
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Ringers, Rooms 11-12
- 7:00 p.m. Lenten Study (Fireside Room) - Led by Pastor Kim

Tuesdays
- 11:00 a.m. Loose Canons
- 12:00 p.m. Open Heart Kitchen, Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Alanon/Alateen, Rooms 13-15
- 7:00 p.m. Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:30 p.m. Lenten Study (Fireside Room) - Led by Pastor Chelsea

Wednesdays
- 9:30 a.m. Mom’s Bible Study, Fireside Room
- 12:00 p.m. Open Heart Kitchen, Fellowship Hall
- 7:30 p.m. Faith Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursdays
- 7:45 a.m. Men’s Group, Fireside Room
- 10:30 a.m. Women of the Spirit
- 7:00 p.m. AA, Rooms 11-12
- 7:00 p.m. Asbury Players Rehearsal, FH (Starts 1/8)

Saturdays
- 8:00 a.m. Lawn Crew
- 9:00 a.m. AA, Rooms 11-12
- 9:00 a.m. Asbury Players Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall

March 3, 2015 (Tuesday)
- 6:30 p.m. Ladies’ Night Out, Lazy Dog, 4805 Hacienda Drive, Dublin

March 5, 2015 (Thursday)
- 12:00 p.m. Senior/Retiree Luncheon, FH

March 6, 2015 (Friday)
- 8:00 p.m. Asbury Players Community Theater—Holmes for the Holidays (Sanctuary)

March 7, 2015 (Saturday)
- 8:00 p.m. Asbury Players Community Theater—Holmes for the Holidays (Sanctuary)

March 8, 2015 (Sunday)
- 10:30 a.m. Finance, Conference Room
- 10:30 a.m. SPRC, Room 10

March 10, 2015 (Tuesday)
- 11:00 a.m. The Long Good-bye, Fireside Room

March 13, 2015 (Friday)
- 1-7:00 p.m. Livermore Community Blood Drive, FH
- 8:00 p.m. Asbury Players Community Theater—Holmes for the Holidays (Sanctuary)

March 14, 2015 (Saturday)
- 9:00 a.m. Church Work Day & Campus Clean-up
- 7:00 p.m. Pre-show dinner (FH)
- 8:00 p.m. Asbury Players Community Theater—Holmes for the Holidays (Sanctuary)

March 15, 2015 (Sunday)
- 10:30 a.m. Trustees, Conference Room

March 17, 2015 (Tuesday)
- 7:00 p.m. Fellowship Team, Room 11/12

March 22, 2015 (Sunday)
- 10:30 a.m. Church Council, Conference Room

March 24, 2015 (Tuesday)
- 11:00 a.m. The Long Good-bye, Fireside Room

March 28, 2015 (Saturday)
- 9:00 a.m. Church Work Day & Campus Clean-up
Asbury United Methodist Church
4743 East Avenue
Livermore, CA 94550

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Choir Coordinator
Jean Braun
Secretary
Terri Gamble
Facilities Use Manager
Mitchie McCammon
Nursery Coordinator
Pam Tegge

Livermore Community Blood Drive
Friday, March 13, 1:00-7:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall
We need you! If you’re 17 or older and in good health (or 16 with parental consent), please call Tom Petty for more information about donating blood, or sign up at red-crossblood.org and use sponsor Code: AS-BURY925. Thank you for helping to save a life by giving blood!
Download the free app by going to http://3cu.be/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, March 19, 2015.