



# The Asbury Update

## June 2008

Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church  
Rev. Billy Hester

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### Congratulations to the Class of 2008!

#### Our Asbury Graduates

Casey Clanton	Latrell Jackson
Hai Dang	Sarah Jones
Sarah Jane Fogarty	Krista Oglesby
Chelsea Hester	Carey Tucker
	Ali Wyland



Our graduates will be recognized during the worship service on June 8th. If we have overlooked a graduate, please call the church office.

### *Worship*

***Sundays 11:15***

*a.m.*

June 1st

**The Most Difficult Instrument to Play**

June 8th

**Complete Confidence**

June 15th

**Inch by Inch**

June 22nd

**VBS Celebration!**

June 28th

**Music and Arts Sunday**

**Parts of the Asbury worship services can be viewed and heard**

#### **The Youth Boston Butt Sale** **Saturday, June 7th**

The delicious Boston Butts that the youth sold last year will be here again soon. The butts are \$20.

All proceeds go to help the youth experience their summer trip to Camp Big Stuf.

#### **Welcome Our Summer Interns**

For the first time, Asbury will be having **two** interns to help with our Summer Youth Program. Ashley Bolfik and Eric Johnson will be our summer interns this year. Welcome Ashley and Eric, and thank you for your leadership and for your commitment to serving God through our youth program.



### **COME TO THE BEACH PARTY!**

**Vacation Bible School is almost here!**



Starting June 15th, we'll be "Surfing Through the Scriptures" at the Asbury VBS Beach Party! If you haven't registered, be sure to get your child signed up for this incredible experience. VBS is Sunday, June 15th - Thursday, June 19th at 6:00 p.m. A \$15 registration fee covers dinner every night and a VBS t-shirt. We hope your child will also participate in VBS Sunday which will be June 22nd. For more info, call Cheri Hester at 354-4585 or email,cbhester@comcast.net. (VBS is for rising kindergarteners through rising 7th graders.)

### **COFFEE HOUR AFTER CHURCH ON JUNE 1st.**

**Join us for this time of food and fellowship with your church family.**  
**If you are able, bring food to share with others.**

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# ***TGIY Times***

## *Thank God It's Youth*

**Join us for our Youth Programs Wednesday nights at 7:00**

**Coming Soon...June 7– Boston Butt Sale**

**We welcome our Summer Interns - Ashley Bolfik & Eric Johnson**

COMING...CAMP BIG S.T.U.F.

Panama City Beach, July 19-23; [www.bigstuf.com](http://www.bigstuf.com)

### PARENT MEETING

There will be a meeting after church about Big STUF on June 8th.

This meeting is mandatory for parents who have a youth going to Big STUF.

We have very important issues to discuss.

***Be on the lookout for announcements about summer events & activities.***

***If you need information about our youth program, please contact Debbie Wright.***

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## **Congratulations!**

Below is the 2008 Confirmation Class, who joined the church and were confirmed on Palm Sunday. These fine young people have reached the age where they can now participate in our summer youth program.

### **2008 Confirmation Class**

Patrick Anderson

Nathan Robinson

Clare Devlin

Jonas Shackley

Jessica Herzog

Matthew Smith

**MEMORIALS**

*A gift has been given by Joan Byrd in memory of Nichola Coe and Emmeline Cooper.*

*A gift has been given by Jane Feiler in memory of Emmeline Cooper.*

*A gift has been given by Gene Carpenter in memory of Emmeline Cooper.*

*A gift has been given by Strachan Pindar in memory of Emmeline Cooper.*

**HONORARIUMS**

*A gift has been given by Barbara Rogers in honor of Beth Harn.*



**WHEN SHADOWS FALL**

*We extend our love and sympathy to Jennie Wilburn, Judy Wilburn, and family in the death of Jennie's father and our beloved member, Chris Wilburn.*

*We extend our love and sympathy to Cliff Harley and Tommy Schafter and family in the death of Cliff's sister, Christy Cook.*

*We extend our love and sympathy to Mary, Renwick Pulwarty and Faith Boles and family in the death of Mary's father and Faith's grandfather, Otis Harris.*



*Prayer List*

**Members**

Annette Anderson, Francis Brannen, Bob Carlyle, Corine Cave, Wendy Ciccodicola, Marjorie Edenfield, Colleen Forehand, Gay Gwinner, Edna Girard, Judy Graham, Nell Hagins, Cynthia Herold, Roy Hill, Mary Hinely, Carol Hodges, Joe Hunnicutt, Judith Kessler, Elizabeth Lariscy, Linda Luke, Janet Mayne, Carolyn Smith, Jeremy Upchurch, Suzanne Wages, Harold

**Family & Friends of Members**

Joe Clifford Abernathy, Gary Bebusk, Elsie Boschen, Barbara Bower, Mary Cann, Anne Marie Chandler, R. Justin Chandler, Dan Coe, Rose Crosby, Quintina Davis, Jean Ferraro, Lois Flanagan, Francis Fordham, Margaret Gammon, James Garvin, Richard Grice, Jerry Hill, Willilou Hooper, Marion Humphrey, Denice Hurt, Archie Iodice, Annette H. Jenkins, Daniel Jenkins, Matt Jenkins, Bill Kellard, Lawrence Manker, Jr., Scott McCoy, Maurice Miller, Helen Murray, Justin Pernell and Family, Joan Poppell, Tim Powers, David Pugh, Lee

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### **Flowers in the Sanctuary**

Supplying the flower arrangements for the worship service is a wonderful way to commemorate a date that is important to you or a loved one. Please check the 2008 Flower Chart in the narthex and sign up. The cost is \$35. For more information call the church office at 233-4351.

### **Special Funds**

One way to honor or to remember a loved one is with a memorial or an honorarium to the "Celebrate the Joy" (Renovation) Fund, the Piano/Organ Fund, the Hester-Children Education Fund, the Trustees Fund, or the General Fund.

### **Newsletter Information**

If you have an announcement for "The Asbury Update," please send it to the church office in writing by the 15th of each month. Contact Tonya Hillis, Administrative Secretary or Claudette DeLong, Program Secretary at 233-4351 or email to [asburymumc@yahoo.com](mailto:asburymumc@yahoo.com). Office hours are 9 AM to 2 PM, Monday thru Friday.

### **Mission Statement:**

**Asbury Memorial is a place where all people can develop their spirituality, use their talents, and grow in faith as we seek to love, serve, and celebrate God, each other, and our community.**

# DISCIPLE

BECOMING DISCIPLES  
THROUGH BIBLE STUDY

Now is the time to think about participating in Becoming Disciples through Bible Study. A new class will begin its 34-week journey in August.

Your commitment will be to read your Bible daily and meet weekly with the group. We'll pray for and encourage each other as we investigate what the Bible says to us, personally. It will be hard at times but it will be worth it.

Call or email me and I'll answer your questions, address your concerns and sign you up.

Janet Wagner  
[jlkwagner@yahoo.com](mailto:jlkwagner@yahoo.com)

## 2008 Budget Offering

April 27 - \$6,259.10

May 4-\$6,000.00

May 11-\$5,055.00

May 18-\$6,250.00

May 25-TBA

## Weekly Budget Needed

\$7,252.00

## Budget Needed to Date

\$145,040.00

## Received to Date

\$137,770.82

## Balance of the Operating Fund as of May 18 , 2008

\$70,667.34

## "Celebrate the Joy!" Fund (Renovation) as of April 30, 2008

\$289,622.23

## **PARDON OUR PROGRESS**

You may have noticed some extra holes in the walls and floor of the sanctuary...and a missing pew or two. It's all part of studying the structure of the building as we make plans for the renovation. So when you invite visitors to church or meet visitors, explain to them what is happening so that they, too, can understand and be excited about Asbury's future.

## Worship Attendance

May 4- 339

May 11- 273

May 18- 275

May 25- 273

*June*

- 1st- Jackie Fall  
    Roger Oliver
- 2nd- Amy Povie
- 3rd- Clare Brennan  
    Colin Harrison
- 4th- Kathy Jones  
    Trina Stafford
- 5th- Andrew Foster  
    Kathy Hodges
- 6th- Anne Lynes
- 8th- Jeff Follett
- 9th- Charles Ennis  
    Erin McGavin  
    Robert Morgan  
    Tom Nease
- 10th- Colleen Oakley  
    Jennie Wilburn
- 11th- Gay Gwinner  
    Sandy Rogers
- 13th- Linda Jensen  
    Carson McBrayer
- 16th- Susan Harrison  
    Jeanine Hoag  
    Paul Mazo
- 17th- Robert McNew  
    Michele Young
- 18th- Wendy Ciccodicola  
    Carol Crawford  
    Alexis Terry
- 20th- Jewel Nieuwstraten  
    Joe Richards  
    Sally Stephens  
    Jean Stewart
- 21st - Betty Suprenant



# Happy Birthday



## Having a birthday?

Let us know when! Sign up on the main bulletin board between the nurseries or call the office at 233-4351.

## *Opportunity to Support Some of Our Own!*

### **“The Boy Friend”**

With Mickey Dodge, Carol Melton and Hai Dang

June 1st, 3rd, and 7th at 8 p.m.

June 6th and 8th at 3 p.m.

Little Theatre of Savannah  
at the Freight Station Theatre

### **“The Children of Eden”**

With Ray Ellis, Sarah Jones, Kristen Kelso, Patty Paul and Jack Wagner

Directed by Megan Youngblood

June 1st at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Savannah Children’s Theatre  
Crossroads Shopping Center  
at Victory and Skidaway

## **Food Pantry Helping Those in Need**

You are always welcome to bring canned goods or paper goods to help those in need of food. Please place the items on the shelves across from the nametag board. We then deliver the items to the Wesley Community Centers or give it to those who come by the church for food.



## *Nursery News*

### *Nursery Coverage 10 o'clock Hour*

The Asbury nursery will offer coverage on Sunday mornings during the 10 o'clock hour for parents and care givers interested in attending Adult Bible Study, Adult Sunday School, Chancel Choir or other programs.

### *Little Lambs Sunday School*

The **Little Lambs** class will take a break for the summer months. We will resume classes every Sunday at 10am in the nursery pre-school room beginning with the new church year in September. Please consider giving your 3 or 4-year-old child the opportunity to learn more about God's love through music, drama, crafts, and storytelling. All are welcome!

### **Creative Kids**

The last Sunday for our Creative Kids program before taking a summer break will be Sunday, June 8th.



## **Children's Church**

### **Leaders in June**

#### **Grades K—3rd**

Tom & Betsy Davis

Subs: Ellie Covington & Mary Ann Kohne

#### **Grades 4th—6th**

June 1st— Kim Smith

June 8th— Cathie Jorgenson & Debra Skinner

June 15th - Phil & Suzanne Devlin

June 22nd— Debbie Wright

June 29th— Music & Arts Sunday

## **Here We Grow Again**

WE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS  
WHO JOINED THE CHURCH MAY 4TH

Eric Anderson

JoAnna Anderson

Laura Armitage

Bryan Clyatt

Catherine Gilbert

Sandy Golden

Latrell Jackson

Tanya Lee

John Maesch

Frank Williams

Tom Nease

Karen Reade

Les Sears

### **Dress "Cool"**

### **for Summer Sundays**

As we move into the hot summer months, we encourage you to dress cool for church. In fact, this year's theme for Vacation Bible School is "Beach Party: Surfin Through the Scriptures." So on VBS Sunday, June 22nd, feel free to dress in your beach wear! No bikinis or bathing suits, please, but feel free to wear shorts, short sleeve shirts, and flip flops!

We want you to feel comfortable and not get overheated during summer Sundays at Asbury!