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**Asbury Volunteers:
You make our jobs easier, fun and
even possible. Thank you!**

To show our appreciation we will like you and your families to be our guests as we prepare breakfast for you February 26. We will serve from 9-10:30.



Children's Valentine Party

Sunday, February 12
4:00-5:30

Children up to 5th grade
are invited to come for
a fun afternoon of
games, crafts &
snacks!

**Make your journey to Easter morning more
meaningful by participating in the Lenten
events on the way.**

Begin with Ash Wednesday, February 22, 6::30

Commit to a Lenten discipline
(one of the daily devotionals)

Celebrate Holy Week:

Palm Sunday April 1, 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am

Holy Thursday, April 5, 6:30

Good Friday, April 6, 6:30

Cantata, April 7, 6:30pm & April 8, 11:00am

Sunrise Service, April 8, 6:30am

Worship Services, April 8, 8:00 & 9:30am

February Birthdays

- 1 Zoe Long
- 2 Doug Cline
- 4 Ariel George
Joni Kellett
Jack White
- 6 Liam Garden
Hannah Cline
Mark Sears
Lexie Andrews
- 7 Sarah Blacksher
Kate Williams
- 8 Sharon Hoagland
- 9 Winona Long
Kody Allen
- 11 Casey White
- 12 Andrew Scott
Ron Spargo
- 13 Jerry Johnston
- 14 Linda Adams
Kay Thompson
- 15 Katelyn Thomas
- 17 Marsha Marshall
- 18 Jessica Layton
- 19 Sarah Appleby
Ken Blumhost
Bettie Miller
- 22 Vita Kellett
- 23 Carol Elmore
Marcia Long
Karrie Ridder
- 24 Suzanne Boyts
Ian Long
- 25 Stew Elsass
- 26 Jackie Fadler
Susan Fink
Levi Kellett
Edith Johnston 99th B'd
Bob Strick
- 27 Sue Ann Holloway
Rick Oliver
- 28 Kayla Ballenger
Lou Ann Potts

In our Prayers:

Jim & Kay Keltner; Molly Love; Karen Strick; Eugenia Perritt; Loyd Morlan; Rayetta Layton;

Our deepest sympathy goes to Sue Holloway on the death of her husband Peter January 27.



You are invited to a baby shower for Hannah & Tony Waterman Saturday, February 11, 1:00 P.M. The couple are registered at Babies R Us. Please RSVP to Judy Fox or Lynn Clements ASAP if you plan to attend.



Thanks:

We had a wonderful birthday party last week. Thanks to all our cake bakers:

- Barbara Davidson
- Ron Spargo
- Angie Kellett
- Bonnie Herndon
- Bonnie Burns
- Jean Knapp
- Suzanne Boyts
- Lynn Clements
- Shelly Swier
- Kelly Blankenship
- Linda Buffington
- Peggy Fuge

Thanks to Kelly Blankenship for organizing the event. I sat at the table with Shelly Swier and not only got to know a little about someone new to me, but got a new cake recipe. (Volunteers: you will get the chance to sample this at the volunteer breakfast.) Shelly also suggested that we bring recipes for our dishes so people can take one.

Asbury friends,

Thank you so much for making my 90th birthday such a joyous day. You blessed my day with your cards, calls & visits.

Bobbie Pryor

From the Asbury Staff Parish Relations Committee

We would like to say a special Thank You to Rayetta Layton who has served Asbury as our custodian since 1999. During that time she has been a valued staff member who worked very hard to keep our facility clean and ready each week for worship as well as church-sponsored and community events. We would also like to thank Keith, Jessica and Justin who helped and supported Rayetta. Please keep Rayetta and her family in your prayers.

Ladies of Asbury,

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS for Saturday, March 10. This is the date set for Asbury's 2012 Women's Retreat, Seaside Escape. This retreat promises to be a relaxing time, basking in God's Presence; and is based on Psalm 46:10, "*Be still and know that I am God*".

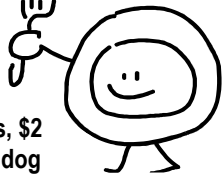


Invite a friend, mother, sister or daughter to join us.

Registration begins soon!

Wednesday Dinners

The cost for Wednesday dinners is \$4 for adults, \$2 for children or \$2 for a hot dog plate.



Feb. 8: Pancakes

Feb. 15: Chili/Soup Cookoff

Feb. 22: Soup & Sandwiches
Ash Wednesday Service 6:15



In the first meeting of 2012, UMW members considered prayer and self-denial in a country where we enjoy so many blessings. Many do not have access to some of our advantages, and UMW's

goal is to mission to needs in this country and outside our borders during the year. In February a pledge program enables members to individually decide how much each can direct to these efforts. The UMW honored a long-time member in January for her many years of service to UMW and our programs. Virginia Salvog was presented a special pin by Ruth Spargo and we congratulate Virginia for all she has done to further UMW goals. A special membership pin represents an additional gift being given for United Methodist Women's mission work. Besides having held different offices in the past, Virginia is one of the most thoughtful members we have. She collects bingo prizes for Daybreak, assists with birthday parties at nursing homes, makes phone calls for special occasions and always helps with her willingness and presence.

Congratulations and thanks are also directed to Ron Spargo who was likewise recognized by United Methodist Men for his many hours of service on behalf of UMM.



Join us for breakfast and a special meeting 8:00 A.M. February 11.

Dear Asbury Family:

My sincerest thanks to the Asbury Choir and entire Church Family for the retirement reception held last Saturday. I was overwhelmed and very humbled by the outpouring of love and appreciation shown to me.

Walking into the beautifully decorated room and seeing so many friends was wonderful, however, I never expected what was about to unfold in the Sanctuary! The stories told by our past ministers and by Michael brought back many precious memories. The song written by Hap Potts and sung by the choir was priceless!

What came next brought about one of the few moments in my life where I have been at a loss for words...that moment when Margaret Weaver and Carol McCain presented me the Commissioned Anthem "Sing Your Song Through Me." The extraordinary thoughtfulness and effort that went into having a song written and dedicated to me is more than I could have imagined. Then, having the beautiful song sung by current and past choir members, well there are no words!!

Thank you again for a special and memorable afternoon that I will always treasure. I have cherished my time as choir director at Asbury and so appreciated the support and encouragement I have received through the years. The privilege of serving as choir director allowed me to work with a group of wonderful people who helped me grow in my faith in Christ while doing what I love most...glorifying our Lord through music. I am truly blessed.

May God bless you all,
Margaret.