

ASBURY VISITOR



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PASTOR'S PEN



Welcome to the new, revised version of the Asbury Newsletter. Thanks to the help of our new administrative assistant, Brenda Wyatt, we have brought back a much-needed newsletter to help keep all our church members, including those who are unable to attend live worship, abreast of the happenings around the Church. For those unable to attend, we will be mailing out or emailing a copy to them. This newsletter will center around the activities of Asbury United Methodist Church, but may also include some charge-wide activities – events taking place at our sister churches, Prospect and Trinity - so we can continue to draw all the churches of the Harrington Charge closer to one another. I pray you find the information found within the newsletter to be helpful and informative. Feel free to contact Brenda (302-398-3390) if you have anything to add or may have questions about the newsletter.

As we journey through the Christmas season may you continue to grow in your faith in God and gain a better understanding of what the Christmas season truly stands for. Pay close attention to the Christmas Season schedule and strive to be more of a participant in as many events as you can.

God bless and Merry Christmas,

Pastor Mark

NEW CHURCH SECRETARY

Brenda Wyatt came aboard as the new church secretary in May 2025. She replaced Leah Sapp who served faithfully for 16 years. Our prayers are with Leah's family during this time of loss.

We welcome Brenda, a member of Asbury since 2001, and pray her service to the church will be fruitful and blessed.





'Tis the Season Schedule

December 7, 2025 – Sunday School Christmas Program – 5 pm

December 10, 2025 – Harrington Charge Family Christmas Covered Dish Dinner (meats, rolls, and drink provided) – 6 pm

December 12, 13, 19, 20 – Live Nativity - 6:30-7:30 PM

December 20 – Blue Christmas service 7:30 pm – Trinity UMC

December 21 – Candlelight Service - **6:30 pm**

ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES!

Asbury services are now on YouTube at

[@asburyunitedmethodist19952](https://www.youtube.com/@asburyunitedmethodist19952)

Be sure to visit, subscribe, and share with friends and family. And don't forget to stop by the Harrington Charge [website](#) and [Facebook](#) pages.

There is also a Salt and Lyght Facebook page ([saltlyght](#)) and Instagram ([salt_lyght](#)).



Stewardship Moment

We are blessed to be a blessing. Prayerfully consider contributing towards the work of the church. In addition to cash and checks, we've made it easy to contribute online for a one time or recurring contribution. Visit the website harringtoncharge.com or use the QR code. Thank you for supporting God's work in the church.



Around the Conference

Harrington Charge is part of the Delaware District of the Pen-Del Conference of the United Methodist Church. The Conference provides valuable information and resources to our churches to help make us better disciples for Jesus. Be informed about what the United Methodist Church is doing in our area and around the world.

Check out the trainings, news, and updates on the websites at <https://www.pen-del.org/delaware> and <https://www.pen-del.org/>.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Romans 15:13

CHURCH
AT
WORK

Trustees Corner

The sanctuary has 5 new split units for heating/cooling, and Collins Hall has a new HVAC system, as well, as of early 2025. Additionally, Crawl Space Ninja was contracted to encapsulate the crawl space under the sanctuary. Thank God for all the contributors to the capital fund to help accomplish these needed upgrades.

A few other items to note are:

- A new spigot was installed on the parking lot side of the church.
- A new wooden sign was installed on the Liberty Street side of the building near Railroad Avenue.
- Shrubbery in the front the church was trimmed.
- The entire exterior of the building was power washed.

Serve
the LORD
with
Gladness

Chesapeake Walk to Emmaus

Ready to deepen and strengthen your faith in Jesus and His call on your life? The Chesapeake Walk to Emmaus may be for you. Pray about it and reach out to Pastor Mark for further details or visit the website at <https://chesapeakeemms.org/>.

Serving sidenote

What are we doing?

Backpack – Partnering with Prospect, Asbury helps to provide nutrition over the weekend to about 20 at-risk elementary school students.

Clothes Closet – Prospect UM Church provides clothes the second Saturday each month from 9-12. Contact [Lorraine Keller](#).

Thanksgiving Meal deliveries – Each Thanksgiving Day, we cook and deliver meals to folks who may be alone or unable to provide for themselves. Most are Meals on Wheels clients. Contact [Brenda Wyatt](#).

UMCOR – We support the United Methodist Committee on Relief. Trinity UM Church receives and stores cleaning buckets and hygiene kits for people who have experienced a natural disaster. For more information or to serve, contact [Pastors Mark Lewis](#) or [Rich Walton](#) or Jimmy Callaway.



During the Advent season, prepare your hearts for the second coming of our Lord. Take time to pray and worship daily, seek His truth for your life, and allow Him to bless you so you may be a blessing in Jesus' name.

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