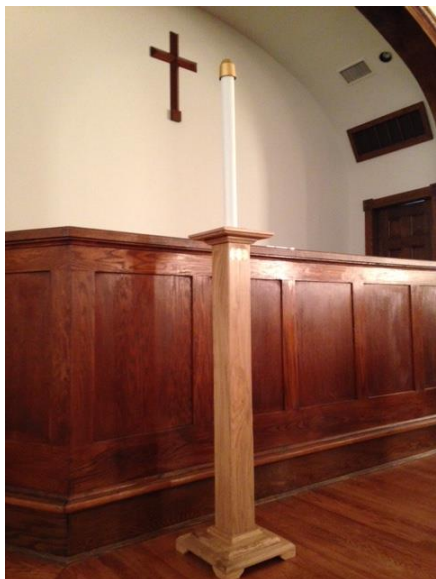




### Message from the Pastor



You may have noticed a few additions to the church recently. I wanted to use this space to highlight and explain a few of them this month. First and foremost I'd like to thank Rick Morehead, our church historian and woodworker-in-residence for his craftsmanship of the beautiful white oak picture frames in the hallway outside the office and choir room. The wood of these frames was actually milled from the 317 year-old white oak that stood next to the church until 2013. There are four new pictures outside the choir room of the meeting places of the church ranging from Daniel Killian's cabin to our current facility.

There are also eight frames on the wall outside the church office that are exact copies of the original deeds of the church property dating back to the early and late 1800's. If you look closely at the Killian deed you can see where the land upon which the church sits was deeded by Daniel Killian's descendants "to be a church and burying ground forever."

Lastly, I'd like to highlight another very special piece that Rick has also made for us from the Asbury oaks--a paschal candle stand and candle. The paschal candle is lit during the weeks of Easter (and at all baptisms and funerals) and it symbolizes the light of Christ in our midst. Rick didn't stain this beautiful wood but instead chose to let the natural character and grain of the white oak show through. I encourage you to have a look at these wonderful additions to our church. They not only remind us our past, but they also point the way forward as we are reminded of the faithfulness of those who came before us.

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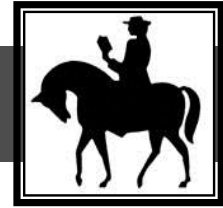
I am particularly proud to have been able to help Rick in these projects in a small way, and I'm so glad that we were able to use the wood from those trees in ways that not only provide us with beautiful objects to treasure, but that also allows us an avenue to make the best out of an unfortunate situation with the demise of those beautiful trees. Take a moment to breathe in the rich history of this place next time you walk through these hallways.

May the peace of Christ be with you all,  
Curtis+

## A MESSAGE FROM THE ASSISTANT PASTOR

Easter Sunday is over, Christ has risen from the dead and for most of us life is going on as usual. Hopefully, the season of Lent leading up to Easter changed each of us in some way. However, the Easter season is not over. It continues all the way to Pentecost when the church celebrates God sending the Holy Spirit to empower us to do even more than Jesus did. Numerous opportunities arise for each of us to make a difference in the lives of others. When opportunities arise, will we, as an Easter people, be willing to step up to the plate and say **yes**, helping those we encounter day in and day out? That's what the risen Christ invites us do. Yet it is so easy to say to ourselves, "My little drop in the bucket of doing good things won't really matter." That is just not true even the smallest gesture and act of service can change a life. Let's look at an example from nature.

When water falls drop by drop onto even the hardest stone, it begins to erode away the surface. Just look at a stream bed or visit Linville Caverns. If you want to see it at its extreme, look at the Grand Canyon. Yes it has taken millennia to carve that one mile deep riverbed, but water did it. One drop of water carrying away one grain of sand over time can create more change than a flood or a tidal wave. Congregation, this is what happens if we choose to let it. Every time one of us lives out our life in the loving way that Jesus modeled, we change the world. Small acts with great love feed the hungry. Your single can of beef stew allows a family to have at least one meal free from the gnawing pangs of hunger. Short visits to the shut-ins restore their hope that people and God have not forgotten them. Ten dollars buys a mosquito net for a child in Africa to prevent the dreaded disease of malaria. Your loose change placed in the Bread Tin offering can go a long way in funding various activities at the Woman's Prison in Swannanoa to support the spiritual live of these inmates.



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Jesus said; “*For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink...*” Matthew 25: 35 NIV. Jesus was speaking in the singular. When we help one person at a time, we are just like one drop of water. We can change the world if we so choose. May you be inspired to make a difference in the world.

-Pastor David Warren

## News from the Youth and Children

**LEMONADE ON THE LAWN:** Mark your calendars now for our special Sundays of extended fellowship on the side/front lawn. On June 7<sup>th</sup>, July 12<sup>th</sup> and August 2<sup>nd</sup> EVERYONE is invited to linger after worship. Different groups from the church will be asked to host one of these dates. Contact Martha Tallent for details.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR:** Our annual Neighborhood Party/Church Picnic will be Sunday August 23<sup>rd</sup> immediately following worship. This is a multi-generational event so please plan to attend and invite a friend!

**CAMP TEKOA:** Asbury Memorial UMC will be driving Abernathy UMC’s van and a load of children to Camp Tekoa for Day Camp and Adventure Day Camp during the week of July 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup>. If you know of someone who would benefit from this exciting summer opportunity, or if you have a grandchild or a neighbor who might be interested, please contact Sallyanne for more information. Also if you would be willing to volunteer to drive or ride the van to Camp Tekoa on one of these days, contact Sallyanne. Two adults must ride the van each day for us to be compliant with Safe Sanctuary policies.

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH EVENTS FOR THE SUMMER OF 2015:** If you would like to volunteer to lead an event (activity or outing of 2 hours or more) for either our children or our youth, please email Sallyanne ([sallyanne@asburymethodist.org](mailto:sallyanne@asburymethodist.org)).

## News from the North Asheville Preschool

A Preschool Board Meeting is scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in Brown Chapel. Our last day of school for the regular year is May 29<sup>th</sup>. We will be sad to bid farewell to two long-time, much-loved teachers, Susie Bleckley and Leigh Fridell. Our summer program starts on June 9<sup>th</sup>.

-Madeline Moseley

*Craig and Cathy Mills announce the marriage of  
their son, Kyle to Alecia on April 18, 2015.  
Congratulations to Kyle and Alecia!*

# Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church

## Church Calendar for May 2015

*\*Be sure to check our website calendar for any changes to the calendar.  
Any meetings that change the time, location, or date  
will also be communicated by a recorded phone message to those who are involved.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
					<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]  <b>8:00 pm-</b> Alcoholics Anonymous [FH]   <i>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</i>	<i>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</i>
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>9:45 am-</b> Sunday School  <b>11:00 am-</b> Worship [S]  <b>11:00 am-</b> Holy Communion [S]  <b>4:30 pm-</b> Church Council Meeting [BC]  <b>8:00 pm-</b> Alcoholics Anonymous [FH]	<b>7:00 am-</b> Emmaus Group [YR]  <b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]  <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm-</b> Church Office Hours	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]          <i>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</i>	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]  <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm-</b> Church Office Hours  <b>5:30 pm-</b> Children's Choir Practice and Dinner [Fellowship Hall]  <b>5:45 pm-</b> Al-Anon Meeting [BC]  <b>6:00 pm-</b> Handbell Rehearsal [S]  <b>7:00 pm-</b> Choir Rehearsal [CR]  <b>8:00 pm-</b> Narcotics Anonymous [FH]  <i>BULLETIN DEADLINE</i>	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]  <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm-</b> Church Office Hours	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]  <b>8:00 pm-</b> Alcoholics Anonymous [FH]   <i>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</i>	<i>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</i>
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<i>Mother's Day</i>  <b>9:45 am-</b> Sunday School  <b>11:00 am-</b> Worship [S]  <b>8:00 pm-</b> Alcoholics Anonymous [FH]	<b>7:00 am-</b> Emmaus Group [YR]  <b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]  <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm-</b> Church Office Hours	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]          <i>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</i>	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]  <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm-</b> Church Office Hours  <b>5:45 pm-</b> Al-Anon Meeting [BC]  <b>6:00 pm-</b> Handbell Rehearsal [S]  <b>7:00 pm-</b> Choir Rehearsal [CR]  <b>8:00 pm-</b> Narcotics Anonymous [FH]  <i>BULLETIN DEADLINE</i>	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]  <b>10:00 am-</b> Preschool Board Meeting [BC]  <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm-</b> Church Office Hours	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm-</b> Preschool [EB]  <b>8:00 pm-</b> Alcoholics Anonymous [FH]   <i>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</i>	<i>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</i>

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
<b>9:45 am</b> -Sunday School <b>11:00 am</b> -Worship [S] <b>8:00 pm</b> -Alcoholics Anonymous [FH]  <i>Room In The Inn</i>	<b>7:00 am</b> -Emmaus Group [YR] <b>9:00 am-1:00 pm</b> -Preschool [EB] <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm</b> -Church Office Hours  <i>Room In The Inn</i> NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm</b> -Preschool [EB]  <i>Room In The Inn</i> CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm</b> -Preschool [EB] <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm</b> -Church Office Hours <b>5:45 pm</b> -Al-Anon Meeting [BC] <b>6:00 pm</b> -Handbell Rehearsal [S] <b>7:00 pm</b> -Choir Practice [CR] <b>8:00 pm</b> -Narcotics Anonymous [FH] <i>Room In The Inn</i> BULLETIN DEADLINE	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm</b> -Preschool [EB] <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm</b> -Church Office Hours  <i>Room In The Inn</i>	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm</b> -Preschool [EB] <b>8:00 pm</b> -Alcoholics Anonymous [FH]  <i>Room In The Inn</i> CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	<i>Room In The Inn</i> CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30
<b>9:45 am</b> -Sunday School <b>11:00 am</b> -Worship [S] <b>8:00 pm</b> -Alcoholics Anonymous [FH]  <i>Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup></i> <i>Peace With Justice Sunday</i>	<b>Memorial Day</b> <b>7:00 am</b> -Emmaus Group [YR] <b>3:00 pm- 6:00 pm</b> -Church Office Hours <b>6:30 pm</b> -Friendship Circle [BC]  PRESCHOOL CLOSED	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm</b> -Preschool [EB]  CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm</b> -Preschool [EB] <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm</b> -Church Office Hours <b>5:45 pm</b> -Al-Anon Meeting [BC] <b>6:00 pm</b> -Handbell Rehearsal [S] <b>7:00 pm</b> -Choir Practice [CR] <b>8:00 pm</b> -Narcotics Anonymous [FH]  BULLETIN DEADLINE	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm</b> -Preschool [EB] <b>3:00 pm-6:00 pm</b> -Church Office Hours	<b>9:00 am-1:00 pm</b> -Last day of Preschool [EB] <b>8:00 pm</b> -Alcoholics Anonymous [FH]  CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
FH=Fellowship Hall S=Sanctuary BC=Brown Chapel EB=Educational Building YR=Youth Room GE=Givens Estate PO=Pastor's Office CO=Church Office TBD=To Be Determined			<u>Important Dates in June</u> June 7 <sup>th</sup> -Lemonade on the Lawn June 9 <sup>th</sup> -Preschool Summer Program begins June 11 <sup>th</sup> -Last day of school June 17 <sup>th</sup> -21 <sup>st</sup> -WNC UMC Annual Conference at Lake Junaluska June 21 <sup>st</sup> -Father's Day			
<u>May Birthdays</u> Margo Knight, May 4 <sup>th</sup> Joseph Tallent, May 6 <sup>th</sup> Jo Eller, May 11 <sup>th</sup> Mary Moseley, May 12 <sup>th</sup> Bob Hite, May 13 <sup>th</sup> Jessica Jackson, May 14 <sup>th</sup> Tracy Neatherway, May 15 <sup>th</sup>			<u>May Birthdays</u> Mary-Jo Smith, May 15 <sup>th</sup> Claire Neatherway, May 16 <sup>th</sup> David Schneider, May 21 <sup>st</sup> Jack Burke, May 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jane Hite, May 22 <sup>nd</sup> Zachary Butler, May 26 <sup>th</sup>			



Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church Volunteer Schedule May 2015						
Date	Communion Servers	Lock-Up Volunteer	Counting Team	Ushers	Greeters	Sanctuary Stewards
5.3.2015	Curtis Goforth Martha Tallent Rick Morehead Laurel Bishop	William Withers (primary) Scott Glenn (secondary)	Rebecca Tucker Mary Loomis-Molloy	William Withers Jessica Withers Bud Allison Geri Allison	John Stewart Cynthia Stewart	Bruce Kidder Elaine Price
5.10.2015	NA	William Withers (primary) Scott Glenn (secondary)	Merritt Moseley Sue Lane Muesing	Don Jackson Jessica Jackson Don McGeary TBD	Geri Allison Jessica Withers	Laurel Bishop Cynthia Stewart
5.17.2015	NA	William Withers (primary) Scott Glenn (secondary)	Doug Tallent Janie Wilson	Gary Tweed Toni Tweed Robert Wiltshire Debbie Wiltshire	TBD Claire Bailey	Steve Rich Judy Rich
5.24.2015	NA	William Withers (primary) Scott Glenn (secondary)	Diane Arnold Mardy Murphy	Mike Rice Sherry Rice Jerry Stubblefield Julie Niwinski	Ann Young Toni Tweed	Arlee Banks Ellen Banks
5.31.2015	NA	William Withers (primary) Scott Glenn (secondary)	Elaine Poovey Madeline Moseley	William Withers Jessica Withers Bud Allison Geri Allison	Judy Rich Laurel Bishop	Derick Tickle Margaret Tickle

Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church Volunteer Schedule May 2015					
Date	Acolyte(s)	Nursery Volunteers	Children's Church	Children's Message	Lector
5.3.2015	Barfuo Boakye-Boaten	TBD Janie Wilson	Heather Post	Curtis Goforth	Curtis Goforth
5.10.2015	Alana Bridger	Mardy Murphy Heather Post	Margaret Tickle	Margaret Tickle	Janie Wilson
5.17.2015	Lylah Goforth Cora Goforth	Maggie Harvin Laurel Bishop	Claire Bailey	Sallyanne McVay	Rick Morehead
5.24.2015	Haley Phillips	Bob Tucker Rebecca Tucker	Sallyanne McVay	Sallyanne McVay	Madeline Moseley
5.31.2015	Harper Shook	Madeline Moseley Ann Young	Megan Shook	Curtis Goforth	Steve Rich

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<b>Ushers:</b>	Gary Hutchins	NA	H: (828) 683-1948
<b>Greeters:</b>	Cynthia Stewart	crameystew@hotmail.com	H: (828) 251-9210
<b>Sanctuary Stewards:</b>	Margaret Tickle	margarettickle@aol.com	H: (828) 252-9887
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Sallyanne McVay	sallyanne@asburymethodist.org	C: (828) 230-4065
<b>Nursery Workers:</b>	Davie Jackson	daviejackson@hotmail.com	H: (828) 645-2928
<b>Children's Church:</b>	Sallyanne McVay	sallyanne@asburymethodist.org	C: (828) 230-4065
<b>Children's Sermon:</b>	Sallyanne McVay	sallyanne@asburymethodist.org	C: (828) 230-4065
<b>Communion Servers:</b>	Curtis Goforth	curtis@asburymethodist.org	H: (828) 484-8540
<b>Scripture Readers:</b>	Curtis Goforth	curtis@asburymethodist.org	H: (828) 484-8540



## News from the Missions Committee

Peace With Justice Sunday is Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. This is a special offering taken across the country to benefit peace with justice initiatives and ministries in our conference and throughout the world through the Board of Church and Society. These programs empower United Methodists to speak out for removing structures and systems that harm God's children globally.

The May Bread Tin collections will support the Ministry of Hope, the chaplaincy program for the Swannanoa Correctional Center for Women. Since 1997 this organization has been providing support for more than 300 inmates of the Correctional Center, as well as its staff. It provides spiritual nurturing, counseling, and guidance for women who are working hard to rise above their situations. One prison official reports that no program has been so successful in reducing recidivism as prison chaplaincies. Improving lives, providing hope, and supporting lonely and unhappy women are an important mission. Please give generously to support these women and the chaplains who serve them.

Camp Tekoa needs our help. Camp Tekoa has been blessed to host "Camp Blue Tent", a camp for foster children for the past three years and will host it again this year beginning on August 9, 2015. Blue Tent is a non-profit organization in Greenville, SC that works with 150-200 foster children, giving them the opportunity to see God through a summer camp environment at no cost to them or their current foster parents. These children arrive at Camp Tekoa on a rented bus, with little clothing or supplies for their week. The majority of them get off of the bus with their clothing in a black plastic garbage bag. Many of those bags lack swimsuits, towels and many are without sneakers. We are asking for your help in getting these children the things they need for not only their camp experience but to have as their own after the camp experience. We are looking to collect new and or gently used luggage with wheels, (without mold or dirt), swim suits both male and female (1 piece) for ages 6-13 years old, sneakers, sleeping bags and beach towels. Our reasons for desiring to give these children new and or gently used items are to show them that they are worth nice things in our eyes and even worth far more in the eyes of their Heavenly Father. Any and all contributions will be greatly appreciated and used to further the Kingdom of God in the hearts and lives of the least of these. Please contact Merritt or Madeline Moseley (madeline.moseley@att.net; moseley@unca.edu) with your donations.

Thank you for giving generously! The March Bread Tin offering collected \$462.06 for Medecins sans Frontieres (Doctors Without Borders). Also Asbury gave \$655.00 to Native American Ministries on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for supporting our community both locally and world-wide.

## News from the Music Director

Just a reminder that the Handbell Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary. All are welcome to come. Reading music is helpful but not necessary! Join us!

Also the Adult Chancel Choir meets on Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm in the choir room. New members are always welcome---no mandatory solos! See you then!

-Sherry Bates

# News from the Finance Committee

Asbury Memorial UMC had approximately \$5,300 less in operating funds than we had estimated from January through March 2015. Estimates are based on prior year giving, so essentially we had less receipts than last year for this same 3-month time period. We could use your help in meeting our operating budget for 2015, so please consider increasing your 2015 giving. Thank you for your faithful financial support. Continue to keep the ministries of our church in your prayers that we will be good stewards of all that God blesses us with!

	<b><u>For Three (3) Months Ended March 31, 2015</u></b>		
	<b><u>Actual</u></b>	<b><u>Budget</u></b>	<b><u>Favorable/(Unfavorable) Variance</u></b>
<b>Operating Funds:</b>			
Income	\$38,548	\$46,921	\$(8,373)
Expenses	<u>55,742</u>	<u>58,805</u>	<u>3,063</u>
Net Income/(Loss)	<u>(\$17,194)</u>	<u>(\$11,884)</u>	<u>(\$5,310)</u>
<b>Special Giving*</b>	<u>\$4,495</u>		
*Includes Souper Bowl, ABCCM, Manna Food Bank, Memorials, Disaster Relief, Youth Missions/Activities, Bread Tin, Special offerings			



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