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I would also ask that you continue to submit your tithes and offerings to the church. You can accomplish this offering by setting up an automated bank draft through your bank or dropping a check in the mail (to 16 College Dr., Orange Park, FL 32065). Later this week, you will also be able to go to our church website (asburyop.com) and participate in online giving, so keep an eye out for that opportunity.

Also, Asbury UMC would like to help! If you are in one of the risk categories and are not going out in public, we are willing to help you get your groceries. Just contact the church and we will make arrangements to send someone by to get your list and payment and we will do the shopping for you.

I appreciate your understanding as we continue to navigate these uncharted waters. Asbury UMC will reevaluate our suspension of worship and other activities as we approach April. You can expect an email from me later this week with more information on how to access our online worship and giving.

I also recognize that there are individuals in our congregation who do not use email or a computer. Please feel free to share this information with them.

I encourage you to stay safe and follow the instructions of local health officials and the CDC. May God continue to bless you with the grace and love that is greater than our fears!

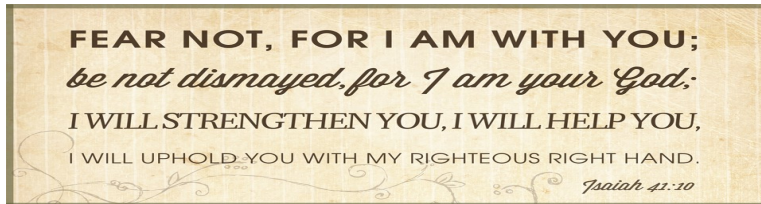
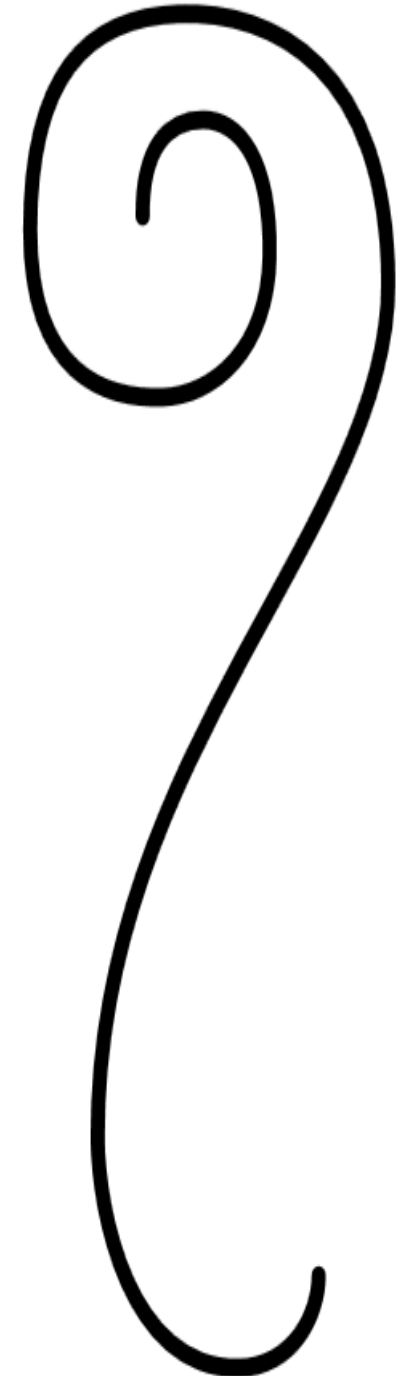
In Christ,  
Pastor Chris

### PRAYER REQUESTS

For the remainder of March,  
please send any prayer requests to [info@asburyop.com](mailto:info@asburyop.com)  
or call the church office at 904-272-0110



- Tommy & Pauline Shields and Family** in the passing of their son, Rick **Becky**, Deb Levit's aunt, entered Hospice on Thursday
- Wayne Smith**, brother-in-law of Joe & Karen Hall, healing of injured back
- Sandi Parrott**, blood clot
- First Responders & all healthcare workers**
- Parents & teachers during this extended break**
- Sister church in Cuba**
- Carol Groccia**, friend of Miriam Lareau, starts 3 weeks of full brain radiation
- Dick Dowdell and brother David** who had a stroke last week
- Grandson of the Halls**, healing from virus
- Jim Moroni**, still in coma following heart attack a week ago
- James Border**, healing
- Pete & Sandi Parrott**, traveling mercies to Pete's doctor on Thursday
- Kurt Brockhausen**, traveling mercies from Germany to Washington D.C.
- The Marion Family**, traveling mercies
- Cliff McKendree**, bone cancer, not given much time
- Dexter Hackley**, prayers for strength and healing
- Bud Riley**, lung cancer
- Rick Shields, son of Tom & Pauline Shields**, healing, in OPMC
- Bob Rahm**, cancer has returned



### PRAISES

Pastor Charissa is home and doing classes on line.  
Ilona Hagen fell, but is fine except for a few bumps and bruises

### HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Linda Grindley - Faye Mix - Jane Patterson - Helen Reardon  
Glenn Ryan - Fran Stockbridge

### CIRCLE OF PRAYER

Paulette Hinken -Cindy Dobozy - Linda DeRosia - Betty Horton - Danielle Voigt  
Tony Wells - Randy Bush - Ellen Culpepper - Jean Davis - Michele Dedmon  
Christopher Franz - Melinda Franz - Mickey Griffin - Patti Robbins  
Josh Stanaland - Amber Hypes - Daniel Neubel  
Iglesia Metodista "San Miguel del Padrón"

### WEEK IN REVIEW

for the week of March 15, 2020

<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>Worship - 68</b>	
<b>Salty Service:</b>	<b>8</b>	
<b>Giving:</b>	Pledges & Tithes	\$ 2763.00
	Loose Offering	\$ 30.00
	Upper Room	\$ 1.00
	Christian Home Academy	\$ 3276.00
	CHA Utilities	\$ 450.00
	Spring Fling Proceeds	\$ 170.00
	UMM Dinner Payment	\$ 213.00
	<b>TOTAL GIVING</b>	<b>\$ 6903.00</b>

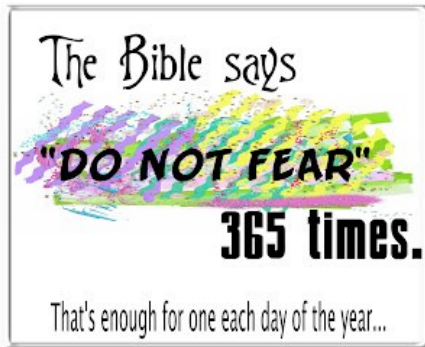


*Our deepest sympathies to  
Tom & Pauline Shields  
and Family in the loss  
of their son, Rick*



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**No  
Wednesday  
Fellowship Dinner  
this week**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**THIS WEEK**

- 3/23 Domenic Dickson
- 3/24 Arlene Park
- 3/24 Ellen Despres
- 3/26 Sandi Parrott
- 3/27 Gary Stidham

**NEXT WEEK**

- 3/31 Bob Mix
- 4/2 Pauline Shields
- 4/3 Janet Lowrie
- 4/4 Miriam Lareau
- 4/4 Samantha Rahm



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**Asbury United Methodist Church  
News, Notes & Upcoming Events  
March 22, 2020**

**A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR CHRIS**

The following email was sent to the congregation on Tuesday, March 17.

Dear Congregation and Friends of Asbury UMC,

Greetings in the Name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

I hope that this letter finds you well. Since my last email on Saturday, we have seen many changes in our nation and our community. As I previously mentioned, we who follow Christ are a people of hope. We know that God walks with us in the midst of our crises. My prayer is that you will lean into the Holy Spirit during this time of uncertainty.

With a change in guidance from the CDC, I would also like to let you know of some additional changes that will be occurring at Asbury United Methodist Church in response to COVID-19:

- Under recommendation from Bishop Carter, all in-person worship services have been canceled through the end of March.
- All other gatherings and meetings have been canceled or suspended, including:
- The Spring Fling, scheduled for March 28, has been canceled.
- Wednesday Night Suppers have been suspended through April 9.
- United Methodist Men, Bible Studies, Sunday School, and Committee Meetings have been suspended.

So, what are we to do now?

First and foremost, know that each and every one of you are in my prayers during this unprecedented time. As long as I am well, I am still here and available for you as we walk through this crisis together. The most direct way to reach me is via email (pastor@asburyop.com).

I also believe that it is important for us to continue to worship. Therefore, beginning this Sunday, March 22, Asbury United Methodist Church will be posting our worship services online. Although we cannot be together physically, we can still worship together. I encourage you to watch, sing, and be in prayer, with those in your home, as you would do each and every Sunday.

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