

# CIRCUIT RIDER

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## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

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## HYBRID WORSHIP

We look forward to the beginning of Hybrid Worship as soon as the pandemic lets up. We are monitoring the number of new daily Covid cases in New York and in Westchester County hoping they will begin to drop as more people get vaccinated. If you have not yet been fully vaccinated we hope that you will be soon. Once COVID-19 infection rates begin to drop the Administrative Council will meet and project a date when we can begin to worship in the sanctuary.

Our plan is to continue Zoom even when we are able to worship in-person in the sanctuary. Thanks to generous donations from many of you we have been able to purchase pan-tilt-Zoom (PTZ) cameras and a computer system that will allow us to produce a high-quality Zoom and online experience even when we start worshipping in the sanctuary so that you can choose to worship in-person or online. The technology team is currently planning for the installation of that equipment and a production team has already begun training to operate the system. Stay tuned for updates.

## Opportunity to Explore the Entire New Testament

October, November, December

Thursdays at 7:15 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. Call in at 914-765-9010

The following are the readings that will be covered in each class session.

(Note: We will meet Wednesday, November 24 rather than Thursday of that week which is Thanksgiving).

The daily readings are listed below the class schedule.

October 7	Matthew 1-17
October 14	Matthew 18-28
October 21	Mark 1-16
October 28	Luke 1-24
November 4	John 1-21
November 11	Acts 1-28
November 18	Romans 1-16
November 24 (Weds)	I & II Corinthians
December 2	Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians
December 9	Colossians, I & II Thessalonians, I & II Timothy, Titus
December 16	Philemon, Hebrews, James
December 23	Peter, John, Jude
December 30	Revelation

## READING SCHEDULE

### OCTOBER

1 Matthew 1-4  
2 Matthew 5-6  
3 Matthew 7-9  
4 Matthew 10-11  
5 Matthew 12  
6 Matthew 13-14  
7 Matthew 15-17  
8 Matthew 18-20  
9 Matthew 21-22  
10 Matthew 23-24  
11 Matthew 25-26  
12 Matthew 27-28  
13 Mark 1-3  
14 Mark 4-5  
15 Mark 6-7  
16 Mark 8-9  
17 Mark 10-11  
18 Mark 12-13  
19 Mark 14-16  
20 Luke 1  
21 Luke 2-3  
22 Luke 4-5  
23 Luke 6-7  
24 Luke 8-9  
25 Luke 10-11  
26 Luke 12-13  
27 Luke 14-16  
28 Luke 17-18  
29 Luke 19-20  
30 Luke 21-22  
31 Luke 22-23

### NOVEMBER

1 John 1-3  
2 John 4-5  
3 John 6-8  
4 John 9-10  
5 John 11-12  
6 John 13-16  
7 John 17-18  
8 John 19-21  
9 Acts 1-3  
10 Acts 4-6  
11 Acts 7-8  
12 Acts 9-10  
13 Acts 11-13  
14 Acts 14-16  
15 Acts 17-19  
16 Acts 20-22  
17 Acts 23-25  
18 Acts 26-28  
19 Romans 1-3  
20 Romans 4-7  
21 Romans 8-10  
22 Romans 11-13  
23 Romans 14-16  
24 1 Corinthians 1-4  
25 1 Corinthians 5-9  
26 1 Corinthians 10-13  
27 1 Corinthians 14-16  
28 11 Corinthians 1-4  
29 11 Corinthians 5-8  
30 11 Corinthians 9-13

### DECEMBER

1 Galatians 1-3  
2 Galatians 4-6  
3 Ephesians 1-3  
4 Ephesians 4-6  
5 Philippians 1-4  
6 Colossians 1-4  
7 1 Thessalonians 1-5  
8 11 Thessalonians 1-3  
9 1 Timothy 1-6  
10 11 Timothy 1-4  
11 Titus 1-3, Philemon 1  
12 Hebrews 1-4  
13 Hebrews 5-7  
14 Hebrews 8-10  
15 Hebrews 11-13  
16 James 1-5  
17 1 Peter 1-2  
18 1 Peter 3-5  
19 11 Peter 1-3  
20 1 John 1-3  
21 1 John 4-6  
22 11 John, 111 John, Jude  
23 Revelation 1-2  
24 Revelation 3-5  
25 Revelation 6-8  
26 Revelation 9-11  
27 Revelation 12-13  
28 Revelation 14-16  
29 Revelation 17-18  
30 Revelation 19-20  
31 Revelation 21-22

## **HOLIDAY POP-UP SHOP**

New and Gently Used Fall and Christmas Items

Friday, November 5

Saturday, November 6

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Asbury Education Building

**Tell your Friends and Family**

For information and donations:

Gloria Laemmel - 271-8712

Barbara Whipple - 271-5095

### **WITH THANKS**

The success of Asbury's participation at the September 25 Village-Wide tag sale and the opening of the Holiday Pop-Up Shop at the October 2 Croton Fall Festival is because so many Asburyites helped to make it happen.

Thank you to all of you who helped sort and price merchandise, set up the sale sites and take them down, clean up, manage the sale and greet our customers. You also helped us send the care-for-the-environment message to reuse, recycle and repurpose.

## **HARRY CHAPIN MEMORIAL RUN AGAINST HUNGER**

### **October 17, 2021**

The Run Against Hunger had its birth at Asbury 40 years ago in 1981 with a group of Asbury members and other community members who came together to organize a community run to raise funds to fight hunger. Our event continues to grow but Asbury remains the home of the Run Against Hunger in so many ways; we use the music room and Asbury parking lot for pre-race pickup and registration, our year-round storage room is in Wesley House and our annual Giving Day, where we distribute checks to recipient organizations, takes place in the social hall in November. But the Run Against Hunger/Asbury relationship goes much deeper in the vast number of Asbury members who volunteer, donate or participate in our events, sometimes two or three of those things in a single year! Thank you to everyone who has been so devoted to our cause for so many years and for making Asbury such a welcoming home.

This year we will be celebrating the 41<sup>st</sup> annual Harry Chapin Memorial Run Against Hunger as both a virtual event as we did in 2020 and as our normal in-person event. This means that if you live out-of-town or will be otherwise occupied on October 17 you can still participate in the Run Against Hunger with our virtual event—run when and where you want from October 9-16. Or if you want to participate in the live event, as we last did in 2019, please join us at Croton-Harmon High School on October 17. Whether in the virtual or in-person events please register at [runagainsthunger.com](http://runagainsthunger.com) We will be holding pre-race packet pickup at Asbury on Saturday, October 9, Thursday, October 14 and Saturday, October 16, the last date of which also includes in-person registration. If you are in the virtual event (5K Run/Walk or 10K Run) we can mail your T-shirt, or your medal if you are in the Fun Run.

With the departure of Stu and Janet Colby to warmer climes Asbury welcomes a new team captain for Team Asbury, Adam Bovone. You can support the Asbury team by going to [runagainsthunger.com](http://runagainsthunger.com) and choosing to have your donation credited to them. Similarly, if you are planning to participate in any of the three events, virtual or live, you can register online and add Team Asbury to your registration. Anyone who is interested in volunteering should contact Adam directly at 914-330-1618 or [afb12@yahoo.com](mailto:afb12@yahoo.com) so that he is aware of your interest and will put you in contact with the Run Against Hunger volunteer coordinators.

Thanks to everyone for all your dedication to the Run Against Hunger,

—Jud

“When in doubt, do something.”

—Harry Chapin

# Asbury's Holiday Cookie Tins Sales



**Order yours!** Orders for the UMW holiday cookie tins will be taken starting November 1. Each decorative tin contains two dozen cookies (cinnamon stars, spicy gingerbread men, pecan delights, jam thumbprints, chocolate pixies and snickerdoodles) and is selling for \$18.00. They will be available for pickup on Saturday, December 11. Please contact Barb Whipple at 271-5095 to order yours. This year when you order we are asking that you prepay.

The cookie tin sale is UMW's annual fundraiser for

scholarships for mission trips and Vacation Bible School and also for special peace and justice projects.

This year we will be creating 75 tins so we need bakers! Please contact Barb Whipple to volunteer.



## THE HISTORY CORNER

It's jack-o'-lantern time. The term is taken from Irish folklore. As the legend goes a man named Jack, notorious for his drunken ways, tricked the devil into climbing up a tree. Quickly carving a cross into the tree's trunk Jack trapped Satan until he swore he'd never again tempt Jack to sin. Upon his death Jack found himself barred from the comforts of heaven for his repeated sinning and was also refused entrance to the heat of hell from an unforgiving Satan. Condemned to wander in frigid darkness until Judgment Day he implored the devil to burn embers to light his way. Though Satan had embers in surplus he allotted Jack a single coal that would last an agonizing short time. Putting the ember into a turnip he had chewed hollow, he formed Jack's lantern. Before carving pumpkins for Halloween the Irish people in Ireland carved out large turnips to make jack-o'-lanterns. When they immigrated to America they couldn't find large turnips but pumpkins were plentiful and the substitution was made.

From *Extraordinary Origins of Everyday Things* by Charles Panati.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>OCTOBER 2021</b> <b>ASBURY UNITED METHODIST</b> <b>CHURCH</b>					<b>1</b> Treasure Chest 11am-7pm	<b>2</b> 9:00am - UMM Breakfast 9:30am - UMM Meeting  Treasure Chest 10am – 3pm
	<b>3</b> 10:30 Worship via Zoom or phone	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Exploring the New Testament on Zoom 7:15-8:15pm	<b>8</b>
<b>10</b> 10:30 Worship via Zoom or phone  Jan Peek – Serve Dinner	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Exploring the New Testament on Zoom 7:15-8:15pm	<b>15</b> 5:00pm UMW Conference Call via Zoom & phone	<b>16</b> 9:00am - UMM Breakfast 9:30am – UMM Meeting
<b>17</b> 10:30 Worship via Zoom or phone  Run Against Hunger	<b>18</b>  Salvation Army Lunch	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Exploring the New Testament on Zoom 7:15-8:15pm	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 9:00am - UMM Breakfast 9:30am - UMM Meeting
<b>24</b> 10:30 Worship via Zoom or phone	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Exploring the New Testament on Zoom 7:15-8:15pm	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 9:00am - UMM Breakfast 9:30am - UMM Meeting
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