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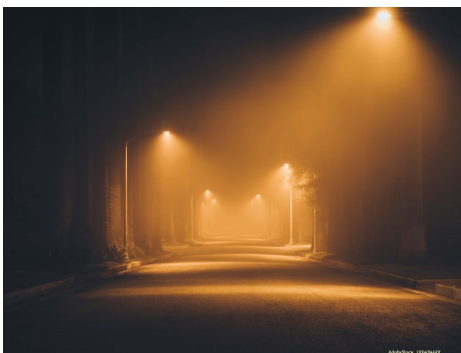
Voices (Climate Change)



Greta Thunberg recently held her last protest as a high school student. Starting in 2018, each Friday the teen would skip school to raise awareness that our climate is changing due to human exploitation of the earth's resources.

Greta's Friday protests were replayed by millions of young people around the world.

Sacrifice (Finding Positive Vibes)



"You remind me of Eeyore!" she said. Wow! That left a mark. I don't think of myself as a negative person. Quite the opposite. I'm usually overly optimistic about too many things. But she had a point. Lately, I was complaining a lot.

Children, youth, and adults from 160 countries joined in for perhaps the largest organized protest against climate change before or since, three days before Greta was invited to speak at the U.N. Climate Action Summit.

At the summit, Greta told policymakers, "I shouldn't be up here. I should be back in school on the other side of the ocean. You are failing us. But the young people are starting to understand your betrayal. The eyes of all future generations are upon you." Page 7

The Editorial Staff of WebMD posted an article a couple of weeks before Christmas last year titled "Signs of Negative Energy." I found their post amid numerous articles published by the Royal College of Psychiatrists, shamans, and yoga instructors. Apparently, the idea that negative energy exists and can have a detrimental effect on us is widespread and mysterious.

But what is negative energy?

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EVERYONE
HAVE
A
WONDERFUL
WEEKEND!



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Paul, the apostle, wrote in his letter to the church in Ephesus, "We are not fighting against human beings but against the wicked spiritual forces in the heavenly world, the rulers, authorities, and cosmic powers of this dark age."

In a paper titled "Symptoms of Spiritual Crisis and the Therapeutic of Healing," the Reverend Dr. Beatrice Brandon quotes this text from Ephesians in describing approaches for therapists in treating patients. Emphasizing that context matters, when it comes to this topic, she writes, "The client may experience drastic challenges and changes to their personal meaning system and sense of purpose, world view and beliefs, their own identity and their relationships."

In other words, negative energy can result in a spiritual crisis.

For many of us, when we sense the presence of negative energy, we think of bad spirits. An energy that is more destructive than a bad attitude. In fact, negative energy may be the primary cause of bad attitudes.

When I first arrived to begin my appointment as pastor of Asbury, I was immediately confronted with a sense of negative energy. I shook it off, suspecting my lack of familiarity and that the scenes of abandoned buildings I saw for the first time. The sight of so much blight added anxiety to what should have been an inspiring experience. Looking back, however, I'm convinced that my initial assessment was correct. I had come into the presence of negative energy.

I validated the obvious as someone who turns to data before drawing conclusions based purely on my observations. Our community is mainly populated with families facing economic struggles. Scarcity is the pervasive theme that negative energy feeds on. And there are signs of poverty in every direction.

My research into the root causes of poverty led me to conclude that scarcity results from broken relationships. If my hypothesis is correct, then solutions that address poverty that focus entirely on addressing scarcity aren't sustainable because they're incomplete. Healing broken relationships, on the other hand, is the cure that eliminates scarcity.

This revelation explains why our communities continue to struggle after three decades of emergency relief costing millions. Yet, addressing the needs with handouts alone continues to be the go-to strategy for most of our responses.

But what is the cure for broken relationships?

The word "gospel" is an announcement of good news. For Christians, the Gospels are four books that tell the stories of God fulfilling the divine promises of a Messiah. The truth is that God's love is eternally pervasive, as evidenced through the birth, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The key to healthy relationships begins with our connection with God. But how do we better connect with God to enjoy each other and move from scarcity to abundance?

In our companion book for this series, *Daughter of Cana*, author Angela Hunt shares stories of Jesus through the eyes of ordinary people finding ways to get by in an atmosphere of scarcity. The main character, Tasmin, suffered a childhood tragedy that kept her from breaking free even though she tried hard to do what the scripture said she should do..

For example, Tasmin faithfully said a ritual prayer each morning and evening that reminded her of the importance of devotion to God. And she happily gave a portion of whatever she had to the church. Yet something was missing.

One day, Jude, a romantic interest, said something that became life-changing for Tasmin. "God wants us," he said, "Every part of each of us!"

Her revelation came from something Jesus said to a group of men hoping to trick Him into making a gaff they could use against Him. Their trap began by asking Jesus if paying taxes to Rome conflicted with their religious practices. The trap was subtly brilliant. But Jesus saw through it.

Pay to the Emperor what belongs to the Emperor, and pay to God what belongs to God.

Luke 20:25

"Bring me one of the coins used to pay taxes to Rome," Jesus responded. Holding up the coin they brought Him, Jesus asks, "Whose image appears on this coin?" Roman currency featured an image of Caesar. The answer Jesus gave is powerful. "Give to Rome what belongs to them," He said.

But then Jesus added the prescription for connecting with God. "Give to God that which belongs to God!" Which is everything, including every part of each of us.

There is an overwhelming negative energy swirling around our communities. I know that you can feel it. It is so pervasive that, at any particular point, large numbers of eye sores emerge to remind us of prevailing scarcity. Worse, this negative energy poisons our relationship with the people we count on. And the result is a brokenness that leads to.

But there is an antidote to negative energy. A prescription that is free and doesn't lead to addictions that result in scarcity. Rather giving all that we are to Jesus Christ leads to abundance.

You can join us each Sunday in person or online by clicking the button on our [website's](#) homepage - [Click here to watch](#). This button takes you to our [YouTube channel](#). You can find more information about us on our website at [FlintAsbury.org](#).

A reminder that we publish this newsletter that we call the *Circuit Rider* each week. You can request this publication by email. Send a request to connect@FlintAsbury.org or let us know when you send a message through our [website](#). We post an archive of past editions on our website under the tab, Connect - choose [Newsletters](#).

Pastor Tommy

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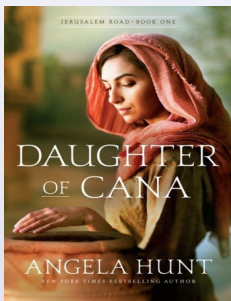
FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES WHO ARE HOMEBOUND OR IN NURSING CARE

Dean Lamoreaux Nancy Elston
 Norma Buzzard

PASTOR BOOK CLUB NEWS

Pastor Book Club is still meeting via Zoom, but we are also gathering in the Asbury Library Conference Room at 12Noon every Wednesday, unless otherwise noted.

Please call the Church Office for more information, as things could change (810-235-0016).



This month's book series is called "Daughter of Cana" by Angela Hunt. This book will take readers on a tour of the many characters found in scripture and a few that didn't get mentioned.... I hope you all will join us each Wednesday at 12Noon.

Our Asbury member Nancy Elston is now at Willowbrook Manor on Beecher Rd. Please keep her in your prayers.

**COMING UP THIS WEEK
 JUNE 19 - JUNE 25**



- June 19 Mon 2:00pm Staff Meeting
- 6:00pm Leadership Team Mtg
- June 20 Tues 10:00am-12:30pm
- Food Distribution
- June 21 Wed 11am-12N Angel Closet at
- South Flint Soup Kitchen—see page 15 for
- qualifications.
- 12Noon Pastor Book Club
- Jun 22 Thu
- Jun 23 Fri
- Jun 24 Sat
- Jun 25 Sun 10:30am New Beginnings
- Contemporary Worship

(We are live on [Facebook](#) and our newly launched [YouTube channel](#). You can find these links along with more information about us on our website at FlintAsbury.org.)

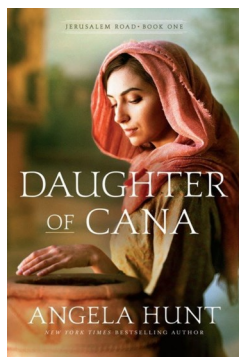
Upcoming Worship Series "Water into Wine"



According to scripture, Mary, the mother of Jesus, attended a wedding in Cana. The guest list was apparently quite long and included Jesus and other friends of the family, relatives, and friends of friends. Weddings lasted multiple days, and the groom was expected to provide ample food and wine for all guests to have their fill. And this wedding was no different. But a problem was brewing.

The Gospels are full of stories void of detail. Rather than a fictional novel where an author takes us through every twist and turn, building characters with dialogue and description, the bible leaves us hungry for more.

Book Club News



The very first Easter marked the beginning of a new era in human history. God chose to live among humans, and, as a result, life

would never be the same.

We begin a new worship series called *Water into Wine* in

the spirit of new beginnings. Our companion book was written by best-selling author Angela Hunt. This book is a part of her *Jerusalem Road* series that takes readers on a tour of the many characters found in scripture and a few that didn't get mentioned.

and which are made up? Was Thomas really like that? Did Thomas have a twin sister?

Allow our author's creativity to ignite your creativity in exploring the stories of Jesus. Here's what the publisher says about the book:

Thomas and Tasmin, twin siblings hired to oversee a wedding feast in Cana, worry when the host runs out of wine . . . until a guest tells Tasmin to have the servants fill the pitchers by the gate with water from the cistern. Reluctantly, she obeys and is amazed when rain-water becomes the finest wine ever tasted in Cana.

Although Hunt's book is fictional, her attention to details in scripture challenges our knowledge of the Bible. With each character, we meet the questions that percolate inside us. What parts of her description are likely genuine,

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Upcoming Worship Series—“Water into Wine” ...cont from pg 5

Who is the twin brother of Thomas, or is she his sister? Who else was in the room when Jesus washed the feet of His closest allies? Who prepared the meals? What did they eat?

Beginning the first Sunday after Easter, join us as we explore possible answers to questions left hanging from Nazareth to Jerusalem. We start with a story of Jesus as a young boy gone missing as His family returned home from celebrating Passover in Jerusalem.

We won't dive into every story, but all of the tales add to a greater familiarity and a deeper understanding of the Gospels.

We won't allow best-selling author and theologian Angela Hunt to fill in some of the details behind the stories. Each week, after reading the story as told by Angela's creative imagination and gift for storytelling, we will dig into what scripture actually tells us. And we will imagine and share our own versions, as we find ourselves immersed in the stories of Jesus.

In a book from her *Jerusalem Road* series, *Daughter of Cana*, Angela follows Jesus from Nazareth to Cana, Capernaum, and Jerusalem. Along the road to Jerusalem, we will meet other characters, some only mentioned by name or reference, nevertheless, witnesses of God living among us.

You are invited to join us on Wednesdays at Noon to dig deeper into each week's message. You can purchase Angela Hunt's book, look for it at the library, contact our office for a copy, or pick up a copy before or after worship on Sunday.

I pray that you will join us each Sunday morning at 10:30 am. We share our weekly episodes on our **YouTube channel**. We go live at 10:30 am. You can find these links along with more information about us, or join our live broadcast on our **website** at **FlintAsbury.org**.

Pastor Tommy

The Cop28 UN climate talks are scheduled later this year in Dubai, hosted by a country whose economy depends on oil and gas production. The head of UAE's national oil company, Adnoc, will chair the talks. His company has plans underway for a massive expansion of its fossil fuel production capacity.

Meanwhile, greenhouse gas emissions continue to rise, reaching a new high in 2022. And the most visible fallout is an increase in extreme weather. Droughts, fires, floods, and violent weather are now a regular feature on the evening news. Even the least knowledgeable about the subject can sense that something is wrong.

Greta Thunberg, along with numerous scientists and environmental activists, have challenged world leaders entrusted to take action to set a direction of phasing out the use of fossil fuels altogether. Otherwise, we may soon reach a point where extreme measures are insufficient. The poorest among us already suffer the most from inaction, and "We are still rushing towards the cliff," Greta warns.

When we choose to be fearless and hold up a mirror that exposes greed and hypocrisy, the world will respond violently. We can anticipate pushback that feels like a crippling attack, from name calling to childish tweets. When we stand up to power, we can expect an unpleasant reaction.

According to a study published by Global Witness, the deaths of environmental activists from unnatural causes are rising rapidly. Over the past ten years, an environmental activist was murdered every two days, usually in smaller, poorer countries, where exploitation of natural resources promises economic benefit.

We read in Matthew that the whole city of Jerusalem was thrown into an uproar when Jesus arrived. Can you imagine a similar scene today? I can picture breaking news interrupting regularly scheduled programming and thousands glued to their iPhones wondering whether the reserve was activated just in case. Jesus' picture and soundbites are on repeat to convince the public to consume more media coverage. And, of course, to patronize the advertisers paying for the cost of coverage. It would be a media extravaganza.

And just when His followers thought that it might be wise to bring it down a notch, Jesus took the volume to full power. He goes into the Temple courts and seals His fate with those who have benefited from the exploitation of the poor. All around Him, I can hear angry voices, "This man must be stopped," shouted anyone caught in the crosshairs of

Jesus' divine view of injustice.

Matthew tells us that Jesus went into the Temple and drove out all those buying and selling livestock. He overturned the tables of the moneychangers and the stools of those who sold pigeons.

Can you imagine the scene that day in the Temple courts? Loose change bouncing along the stone floors? Businessmen get out of His way, wondering if he is armed, whether the member of His gang are itching for a fight, and knowing that they want to go home that day. They must have wondered when the Temple police would arrest Jesus. I bet it was loud and upsetting to a lot of people.

Jesus went into the Temple and drove out those buying and selling. He overturned the tables of the moneychangers and the stools of those selling pigeons.

Matthew 21:12

It must have been the lead news story, given that the whole city was in uproar. No wonder.

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS & MORE:

Jesus went into the Temple and drove out those buying and selling. He overturned the tables of the moneychangers and the stools of those selling pigeons.
Matthew 21:12-17

NOTES FROM WORSHIP


QUESTIONS FOR LIFE GROUPS

1. Review the story of Jesus turning over tables in the temple in Matthew 21:12-17. What is your take on this story? Read some of the things Jesus said to the religious leaders in Matthew 23. Do any of His accusations hit home with you?
2. Read this week's articles titled *Voices*. How familiar are you with what causes greenhouse gas emissions? In what ways does your lifestyle contribute to greenhouse gas emissions? How can you use your voice to advocate for the reduction in the use of fossil fuels? What is an action you can take to help curb your own use of fossil fuels?
3. How can the members of your group help you this week and on-going to help you to be more receptive to hearing and understanding the Word of God? Pray for each other to have the Holy Spirit bless you with more courage.

“Feed Flint”



“Feed Flint”



A meal goes a long way for a senior living alone, a family struggling to make ends meet, or a child fearful of empty shelves at home. But for the residents of Flint who carry the effects of lead-tainted water, nutrition is critical. Feed Flint provides locally grown, chemical-free, fresh produce to residents living in and around Flint. And we're hoping that you can help us provide 10,000 meals this summer.

Feed Flint includes takeout meals, produce boxes with recipes, and home deliveries as part of our work to guide and support families in moving to sustainable abundance. The reality is that Michigan's food insecurity levels got worse during the COVID-19 pandemic, and this summer's recovery is leaving behind those at the most risk of having to miss meals.

Flint families continue to struggle with the ongoing effects of the water crisis.

We're bringing together the resources of the Asbury Community Development Corporation. This includes Asbury Farms, the South Flint Soup Kitchen, the Asbury Community Help Center, multiple food pantries, and our Sizzling Culture Mobile Food Trailer. Our plan is to care for our neighbors when they need it most. We accept all people as they are, and our doors are always open to anyone.

Asbury Farms provides locally grown produce used to create fabulous and nutritious meals. Our seed-to-table approach is community-based. This not only helps families make it through emergencies and crises. We help move families towards sustainable abundance.

Our Sizzling Culture program provides jobs and new skills to our city's youth. This includes year-round employment. Our staff and most of our volunteers come from the neighborhoods we support. We call this sustainable abundance because families move from need-based on scarcity to enough based on community-generated abundance.

Our work is also about food and justice. Our vision is a revitalized community where every resident can use their talents and passions for the common good, where children grow into active citizens. And all residents can enjoy safety, good health, and a culture that fosters life-long learning and satisfying lives. This summer, help us address food insecurity and strengthen Flint's budding local food system by supporting the Feed Flint campaign. Thank you for taking the time to see what we're doing and considering how you can help.

**Donate to our Feed Flint Campaign by visiting:
flintasbury.org/feed-flint-donate**

South Flint Soup Kitchen



Bottled Water Drive

ALL SUMMER LONG!

Our clients need bottled water for cooking, going with sack lunches, to bathe and brush their teeth with, and more!

Donations are accepted Monday-Friday
9:30am-Noon at South Flint Soup Kitchen, 3410
Fenton Road (3 blocks north of Atherton Road)
Flint, MI 48507

Questions? Call 810-239-3427 or email
southflintsoupkitchen@gmail.com

To donate: www.mightycause.com/feedflint





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*** CONVENIENT PICKUP AT ASBURY OR AT THE SOUTH FLINT SOUP KITCHEN ***

When Thomas impulsively decides to follow the teacher from Nazareth, he and Tasmin argue. The twins have been together since the womb, and Tasmin can't accept losing her brother to some magician-prophet. But, aided by Jude, younger brother to Jesus of Nazareth, she decides to follow the Nazarene's group and do whatever she must to mend the fractured relationship and bring her brother home.

Angela Hunt has published over 100 books, selling nearly 5 million copies worldwide. Angela, a New York Times bestselling author, received the Times Book Club Lifetime Achievement Award in 2006. She has a Ph.D. in biblical studies in theology and is well-versed in biblical text. Angela can be found online at www.angelahuntbooks.com.

If you prefer to avoid groups or live too far away, I encourage you to join us via Zoom for our Wednesday gatherings. Alternatively, you can call in by phone, be heard, and hear what others say by calling (929) 436-2866 -- enter the meeting ID, 282 039 5568#.

We are a diverse group and are delighted when new people join us. I hope that you will join in on our discussion.

You can contact our office with questions, by phone or simply type your question or enter a prayer request on our website's homepage — FlintAsbury.org.

Pastor Tommy

“Ways to Give to South Flint Soup Kitchen”

Cash or checks can be sent to/dropped off at South Flint Soup Kitchen, 3410 Fenton Road, Flint, MI 48507. Please make checks out to South Flint Soup Kitchen!

Online at www.mightycause.com/feedflint

Cash App \$SFSK48507

Donations can be dropped off Monday-Friday 9:30am-Noon. Calling ahead is not necessary, but our needs change frequently, so calling ahead of time is a good idea!

Give time! We need volunteers!!! Volunteers arrive at 9:30am and are done by 12:30pm. Tasks include handing out lunches, assisting in the Angel Closet, light cleaning, putting together items to pass out to clients, and more.

Visit our Ebay store! Our handle is southflint84 We have old school Beanie Babies (tags still attached!) and vintage graded baseball cards currently. Look back frequently for the addition of new items!

Refer people!!

Questions??? Call 810-239-3427

or email southflintsoupkitchen@gmail.com

South Flint Soup Kitchen

ANGEL CLOSET PROCEDURES

YOU MUST BRING PROOF OF INCOME WITH YOUR NAME AND THE DATE (FROM THIS YEAR ONLY) CLEARLY LISTED ON THE PROOF. CLIENTS QUALIFY FOR FREE ANGEL CLOSET SERVICES IF THEY MEET THE FOLLOWING:

HOUSEHOLD SIZE ANNUAL INCOME:

1 - \$17,667

2 - \$23,803

3 - \$29,939

4 - \$36,075

IF YOU DON'T MEET THESE REQUIREMENTS OR HAVE A PROOF PRESENT, THERE WILL BE A SMALL ADMINISTRATION FEE OF \$5.

QUESTIONS??? CALL 810-239-3427

Jesus knew that what He was doing would attract attention. A lot of attention and attention that would not end well in terms of His safety. But Jesus knew something else that we sort of know but don't always know in a way that affects our actions. Jesus trusted in God, and He trusted that God was always on the side of justice.

Jesus taught His followers about divine justice and why exploiting is wrong. Jesus taught that benefiting from systems that exploit the poor, or anyone else, is not a part of the Kingdom that Jesus presides over. So Jesus turned over the tables, both literally and metaphorically.

The merchants sitting at the tables participated in systems that exploited the poor. Still, Jesus knew that the power behind the systems was watching others do the works that filled their pockets. In their case, holding onto power by claiming a religious exemption. "You hypocrites!" said Jesus. "You clean the outside of your cup and plate while the inside is full of what you have gotten by violence and selfishness."

By the end of the day, the authorities knew what had to be done. Rather than enact positive change, they would silence Jesus.

When you and I turnover tables. When we let our voices be heard that we want real solutions that reduce the harm we're doing to our earth. When we challenge the systems that benefit us because they cause harm. Our children notice and thank us, but those who benefit from unjust systems will also take notice. And the tweets will begin, but they will be only one weapon in the arsenal of the powerful. Some will go to great lengths to stop us. And some of the violence will come from people who claim to know us.

The powerful seldom wait for the voices challenging them to quit on their own. They respond with force because their power depends on silencing voices challenging their prosperity.

Scientists estimate that without drastically reducing greenhouse gas emissions, our earth will soon reach a tipping point. And it may be too late. In the meantime, the damage disproportionately affects the poorest among us. But there is no doubt that we're all negatively impacted.

Each of us has a voice. Some of us use our voices through speeches. Others are writers. Many of us can project pleasing melodies and harmonies. Many of us paint, carve, or build, while others research, investigate or construct policy.

God hears our voices as praises of thanksgiving.

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SOUTH FLINT SOUP KITCHEN

JUNE GIVEAWAYS

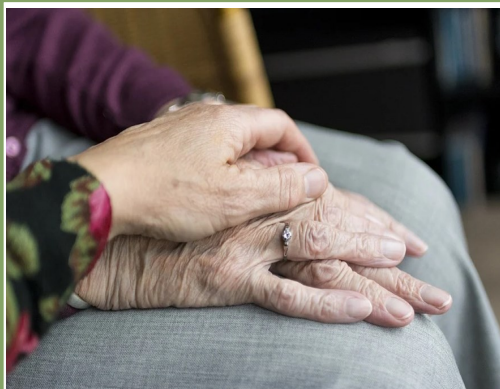


ANGEL CLOSET (SEE BACK OF FLIER
FOR QUALIFICATIONS) - JUNE 7TH
& 21ST, 11AM- NOON

FOOD GIVEAWAYS - JUNE 14TH
& 28TH, 11AM-NOON



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FAQs: How Church Communities Can Support Senior Members

Many houses of worship have been able to commute their traditional in-person services to live stream services, ensuring that members have access to the essentials of faith, love, and compassion during these difficult times. Still, in making this transition, many senior church members may feel left behind, and other members may begin to worry about their health and safety. That's why it can be so helpful for church leaders to keep FAQ sheets handy [like this one from Asbury](#) so that they can help those who need it most.

Q1: What options do we have to ensure our senior brothers and sisters are fed?

Nourishment is vital for health and wellness and churches can use these invaluable resources to help seniors get the food they need without risking a trip to the store:

Find [Local Grocery Delivery Services](#)

[Produce Box Subscriptions](#)

Help Seniors Find Food Assistance_

Q2: How can we help our older generations avoid feeling isolated and alone?

Socializing at church can provide a different kind of nourishment for older adults, and thankfully there are safe ways to fill in the gaps left by online services.

7 Virtual Tools to [Keep Seniors Connected](#)

Does Medicare Cover [Mental Health Services](#) Like Therapy?

Q3: How can we support seniors who have experienced a loss due?

There's no question that older populations have been more impacted by coronavirus, and these resources can be so helpful for providing support to seniors who are grieving a loss.

[Individual Support Through Pathways Counseling](#)

[Online Grief Support Groups](#)

Help Them Facilitate a Downsize by [Selling Their Home](#)

Q4: How can we care for seniors who have been diagnosed with coronavirus?

Finding out that senior church members are suffering due to COVID-19 can be disheartening, even after the worst days of the pandemic, but there are also ways that communities can safely help these folks in need.

[How to Care](#) for Someone with COVID-19

[Gift Ideas to Help](#) Those in Isolation

Consider Giving Them a [Meal Delivery Subscription](#)

Church communities are so much like our families. It makes sense to want to honor and care for your golden members. With any hope, you will find the information and resources in this FAQ sheet helpful for assisting these senior family members during this unprecedented time of need.

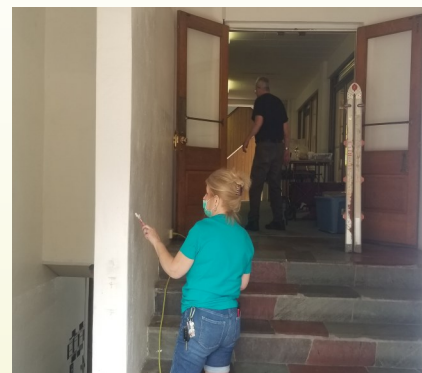
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[Asbury](#) envisions a community in love with God, with each other and with our neighbor, evidenced by the transformation of ourselves and our neighborhood. Contact us today to learn more! (810) 235-0016

Article written by Jason Lewis



Clarkston United Methodist Church's Love in Action group was with us for the week of June 5, 2023 making some much needed building repairs! This included: repairing a burnt down fence on our property, painting walls, painting our logo on the wall, yard work, new flooring and shelves in our conference room, clean up of our attic, repair of our chair lift to be used as a DIY conveyor belt for food bags, and so much more!



Words cannot express how grateful we are for their love and support!

Thank you SO much Clarkston United Methodist Church!!

*** ANGEL CLOSET: We are pretty well stocked, but could use larger sized shoes for men and women (sizes 10+), personal hygiene products (shampoo, conditioner, razors, diapers, toilet paper, etc.), and men's jeans. Please keep in mind that we do not accept clothing with holes, stains, or unlaundered donations.

We are still in need of bottled water!!

All items must be clean and hand out ready.

If you are in doubt, please call us before making the trip: 810-239-3427.

We accept donations Monday-Friday, 9:30am-Noon, special appointments available upon request.