

Monday, August 30

Consider a fast during this 40 days of re-engaging. Write out a covenant of something you are willing to give up to make room in your life for God to speak to you.

Tuesday, August 31

Make a commitment to engage each day during this campaign, praying for Ashland United Methodist Church and your place in it. Write a short statement of expectation you have for yourself and for the church at the end of this 40 days.

Wednesday, September 1

Pray that each member of Ashland UMC will re-engage during this 40-day campaign. Think of, pray for, and contact two members you have missed during the past several months.

Thursday, September 2

Pray that the leadership of Ashland will be able to make wise decisions concerning gatherings at church, and that members will make wise decisions about attending church in person. Pray that people will stay connected to Ashland, whether they are attending in person or not.

Friday, September 3

Spend some time praying over the various ministries at AUMC. List two ministries that have blessed you personally. Then list two ministries you wish Ashland UMC had.

Sunday, September 5

Attend church today, either in person or online. Find a Sunday School class to attend, either in person or online. Write down your thoughts about the worship service. Pray for all members of AUMC to find ways to re-engage.

Saturday, September 4

Review the covenant you made when you joined the church. Rate yourself with a score of 1-5 for how faithful you are supporting the church with:

your prayers:

your presence:

your gifts:

your service:

your witness

Monday, September 6

Pray about making AUMC an inviting church to people who are not members. List ways you can contribute to this focus.

Tuesday, September 7

Pray for the pastors and staff of AUMC. List things you could do to encourage or help them. Consider serving on the Staff Parish Relations Committee.

Thursday, September 9

Pray for the financial needs of the church, and for all members' commitment to stewardship. List the ways you give to the church, in terms of tithing and serving. Consider serving on the Finance Committee.

Wednesday, September 8

Pray for the needs and upkeep of the church building. List ways you could contribute to making the church a comfortable place where God's love is shared. Consider serving on the Trustees Committee.

Friday, September 10

Pray specifically for people God lays on your heart who need to re-engage with AUMC. Send cards or texts to two people today whom you have missed at church recently.

Saturday, September 11

Pray for all aspects of worship services at AUMC, especially for those people who lead in worship and for the worship services tomorrow. List things you appreciate about worship at AUMC. Consider serving on the Worship Committee.

Monday, September 13

List ways AUMC can be a more welcoming church to its members. Pray about things you can do to help with this focus. Consider serving on the Hospitality Committee.

Sunday, September 12

Attend worship and Sunday School today, either in person or online. Pray about ways you can add to the re-engage campaign: invite others to attend, add encouraging comments and share services on social media, organize “watch parties” with smaller groups of people.

Tuesday, September 14

List all the groups of people who benefit from ministry at AUMC, paying particular attention to age-group ministries that are available to each member of your family. Pray about your family’s commitment to these ministries, and how you could strengthen those ministries. Consider serving on the Family/Education Committee.

Wednesday, September 15

Find information on the Stephen Ministry. Write some ways this ministry can be a blessing to all church members. Pray about joining this important ministry, either as a minister or as a recipient of the ministry.

Thursday, September 16

Do something today to make another member or visitor feel more welcome at Ashland UMC. Journal about the outcome of that action.

Friday, September 17

List as many ways as you can that AUMC serves people outside the church in our community, state, nation, and world. Pray about ways you can contribute to these services through Snack Pack Ministry, UMW Circles, United Methodist Men, SS classes, prayer groups, class meetings, and other ministries. Consider serving on the Missions Committee.

Saturday, September 18

Get honest with yourself today. Journal about things that keep you from supporting the church with your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness. Ask God to help you prioritize service to Him and His church.

Sunday, September 19

Attend worship and Sunday School today, either in person or online. Continue to pray for an end to Covid and for a day when everyone feels comfortable worshipping in person.

Tuesday, September 21

Continue to pray that each and every church member will re-engage with Ashland UMC. Consider forming a small group with several members or families who may need extra encouragement to re-engage.

Monday, September 20

Consider ways that Ashland UMC can be more unifying for its members of all ages. List some events that could include multiple generations of church members.

Wednesday, September 22

Spend some time identifying and listing things you are passionate about. What are areas where you feel led to make a difference: a specific age group, a specific need in the church or community, a specific area of injustice or sin?

Thursday, September 23

Consider the list you made yesterday. Is there currently a ministry at AUMC that addresses one of your passions? If so, obtain some additional information about that ministry. If not, pray about starting a ministry that engages that passion.

Saturday, September 25

Spend some time today asking God to help you truly engage in worship tomorrow. Jot down some thoughts about ways to participate in worship, and not just spectate. Continue to pray for every member of Ashland to re-engage.

Friday, September 24

Continue to pray about the passion God helped you identify this week. How can you serve God's kingdom by addressing that passion?

Sunday, September 26

Attend worship and Sunday School today, either online or in person. Make a list of the positive things you experience when you truly engage in worship and study of God's Word.

Monday, September 27

List ways that Ashland UMC can be more embracing and encouraging of its members. Pray about ways you can be part of making AUMC more embracing.

Wednesday, September 29

Read the following Scriptures:
Romans 12:6–8; 1 Corinthians 12:4–11; 12:28.
Write down the spiritual gifts that Paul lists.

Tuesday, September 28

Continue to pray about people God is laying on your heart whom you have missed. Ask God how you can embrace those people and lovingly encourage them to re-engage at AUMC?

Thursday, September 30

Spend some time praying over the list you made yesterday from Scripture. Ask God to help you identify the spiritual gifts He has given you.

Friday, October 1

Look at the lists of your passions from last week and your possible gifts. How could God be calling you to combine those two things in ministry? List three ministries you feel God might be calling you to.

Saturday, October 2

Pray over the list you made yesterday. Ask God to lead you to one ministry of AUMC to engage in.

Sunday, October 3

At church today, make a commitment to re-engage in one ministry of the church. List that commitment here:

Monday, October 4

Journal what the phrase “re-engage” means to you. Having prayed about Ashland for last few weeks, do you think AUMC needs its members to re-engage? How do you think the church would benefit from all of its members being engaged in just one area of ministry?

Tuesday, October 5

Set aside time in the next few days to review your reflections throughout this re-engaging process. Write down your overall impressions and things God has laid on your heart during this 40 days of re-engagement.

Wednesday, October 6

During this time of 40 days, has God confirmed any passions, gifts, or calling on your life? How have you responded to those callings?

Thursday, October 7

What exercise has meant the most to you during this call to Re-Engage? What new habits have you formed that you would like to continue? TAKE TO FACEBOOK TODAY TO SHARE YOUR RE-ENGAGEMENT COMMITMENT, EITHER WITH YOUR NAME ATTACHED OR ANONYMOUSLY! Let's encourage others by sharing our own stories.

Friday, October 8

Consider partnering with one or more people to hold each other accountable to the commitments you have made during this Re-Engage Campaign. Continue to pray that God will strengthen Ashland United Methodist Church by having each member engaged in worship, study, and minis