

ASBURY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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*Making disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world*



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

(*Please stand as you are able)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

PRELUDE: "Once in Royal David's City" arr. Stan Pethel
Cathy Mowers and Lisa Smith

PRAYER FOR PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

(L) Let us all give praise before the Lord with gladness and joy.

(P) This is our God, on whom we have waited for our salvation.

(L) For the Lord is near to all who call out to God in love and truth.

(P) The Lord is indeed our Help and the Holy One who delivers us.

*HYMN: "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" #211
(verses 1,2,6,7)

*OPENING PRAYER: Most gracious and loving Lord, in your infinite wisdom you call us to proclaim the wonderful news of Christ to all the nations and we will be blessed. We give you our praise, dear Lord. In Christ we pray. Amen

YOUNG DISCIPLES' TIME

MISSION MOMENT

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but

deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: "Good King Wenceslas"
arr. Jerome Malek
Agape Ringers

MESSAGE: "Christmas Storybook"

OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "Will We Know Him?" by Besig and Price
Lisa Smith, Sue Snell,
Lindsay Webb and Cathy Mowers

*DOXOLOGY: "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" # 95

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

(All) We offer to you, O God, a portion of our wealth, a larger portion of our hands, a full portion of our hearts. Please receive these gifts and bless them. Put all to good use for the work of your kingdom. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: "He is Born"
"Gloria" arr. Arnold Sherman
arr. Frances Callahan
Asbury Ringers



211 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

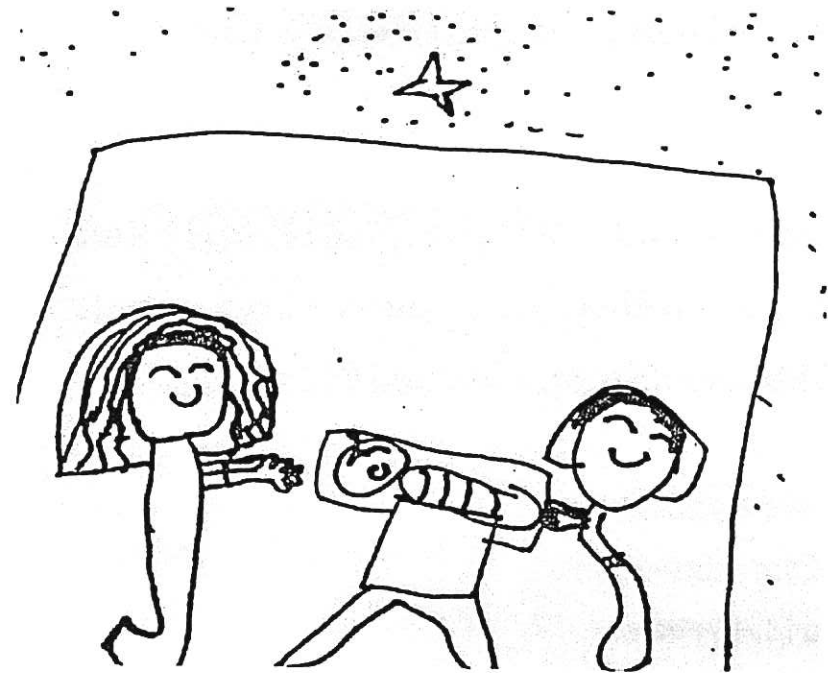
1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran-som cap-tive
 2. O come, thou Wis-dom from on high, and or-der all things
 3. O come, O come, great Lord of might, who to thy tribes on
 4. O come, thou Root of Jes - se's tree, an en-sign of thy

Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone-ly ex - ile here
 far and nigh; to us the path of knowl - edge show
 Si - nai's height in an-cient times once gave the law
 peo - ple be; be - fore thee ru - lers si - lent fall;

Refrain

un - til the Son of God ap - pear.
 and cause us in her ways to go.
 in cloud and maj-es - ty and awe. Re-joice! Re-joice! Em-
 all peo-ples on thy mer - cy call.

man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.



CHRISTMAS STORYBOOK
 FOR ASBURY

Presented for you by the Sunday School Classes and
 Children's Choir of

Asbury United Methodist Church

Sunday, December 13, 2020

(Available during the service and on our website)

VOICE ACTORS, ILLUSTRATORS & SINGERS

Children, please STAND AT YOUR SEAT when you see something you made or hear yourself speaking or singing! We want to see you!

William Graham
Jackson Jeurissen
Riley Jeurissen
Connor Lamica
Kate Lamica
Olivia Lehman
Jaelah Liriano
Gavin Nicol
Lucas Nicol
Abigail Patrick
Alexander Patrick
Anthony Patrick
Andrew Rudd
Michael Rudd
Ruzena Rudd

OUR BRIEF PROGRAM

1. Introduction
2. The Angel Came to Mary
3. The Angel Came to Joseph
4. Travel to Bethlehem
5. The Birth of Jesus

♪♪ Away in A Manger ♪♪

6. Announcement to the Shepherds

♪♪ Joy to the World! ♪♪

7. Wise Men
8. Conclusion

♪♪ We Wish You a Merry Christmas ♪♪

9. Merry Christmas

SPECIAL THANKS...

To the parents, grandparents and teachers who worked together to make a Sunday School pageant possible despite a pandemic and a broken boiler! This was done while following the safety procedures that allow this video to be posted online and enjoyed by those who cannot join us!

To Brittany Darpino for your technical know-how, time, hard work and willingness to help a busy cousin in need!

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

Revelation 21:5

"He who was seated on the throne said, I am making everything new."

Provided by Max Bovee

OUR UNITED METHODIST CONNECTION PRAYER LIST:

Our Bishop, Mark Webb/family, our United Methodist missionaries Dr. Mark & Deirdre Zimmerman (in Nepal), Rev. Michael Weeden (District Superintendent) and Rev. Laura Calos.

KNOWN DEPLOYED TROOPS AND SPOUSES:

Deployed: Jack and Ryan

Asbury places in the bulletin a list of deployed troops that are connected to Asbury, along with the names of their spouses. We will not publish the last name for security and privacy reasons. If we have missed any, please contact the office.

LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Our home bound and nursing home residents: Bill Lennon, Ellie Cerow, Doris Blodget, Marge Brauer, Lynn Brown, Norman/Joyce Kicherer, Jean Luttmann, Stevie Mider; Eleanor Pettit, Rev. Dora Schneider, Anne Walker. Others: Pam Quimby, Constance Benham, Linda Bennett, Jeff Blowers (a friend of Shirley Berry), Ben Cook's improvement. Rev. Steve Deckard, David Forbes, Joliese Haynes, David Heasley, Julie, Alice Marino, Wayne Mosher, Dick Persons, Sarah Peyton, Jonda Ratigliano, Mike Roach, Michelle Scott, Tom Shannon, Sister Martha, Miyako Tanabe.

YOUR INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE THIS WEEK

12/14: 6:30 P.M. – Incarnation Advent Study with Rev. Laura via Zoom
12/16: NOON – New Day Board Meeting @ Wesley Hall
12/17: 3:30 P.M. – Asbury Thank You @ Samaritan Medical Center
12/17: 4:45 P.M. – Asbury Thank You to First Responders @ Watertown Fire Department Massey Street.

There will be no Sunday School on December 20, 27 and January 3.
We will be offering Zoom Christmas Bingo at 1:30 P.M. on Dec. 20 for Sunday School kids to participate in. Questions? Contact Sarah Lehman: sundayschool@westelcom.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

12/21: 6:30 P.M. - Incarnation Advent Study with Rev. Laura via Zoom
1/3: 2:00 P.M. – Sunday School Planning Meeting via Zoom
1/5: 6:00 P.M. – Membership and Evangelism Meeting via Zoom
1/8: 9:30 A.M. – Asbury Book Club, Contact Joanne Rhode for information
1/9: 8:00 A.M. – Men’s Fellowship Breakfast @ Cracker Barrel
1/12: 6:30 P.M. – Trustees Meeting via Zoom
1/13: 5:15 P.M. – PSPRC Meeting @ Wesley Hall
1/19: 3:00 P.M. – Finance Meeting via Zoom

WEEKLY INFORMATION:

Attendance last Sunday: 72
Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased last week: 304
2020 Year-to-date total: 17,003

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ASBURY’S WEEKLY MINISTRIES

Sundays:

8:30 A.M. – *The Wired Word* with Aaron Johnson via Zoom. Contact Aaron, 315-408-5654, for your invitation to Zoom.
10:15 A.M. – Morning Service @ Sanctuary

Tuesdays:

10:15 A.M. – Staff Meeting @ Wesley Hall

Wednesdays:

11:00 A.M. – Prayer Circle @ Parlor. Masks are worn and sweet tea is served. If you have a prayer concern or would like to pray for others, please come.
6:00 P.M. – Asbury Ringers Practice @ Sanctuary

Thursdays:

6:15 P.M. – Agape Ringers Practice @ Sanctuary

TO ALL: We are happy you are here to worship with us today!

WELCOME CENTER: If this is your first time at Asbury, we have a gift for you at our Welcome Center. Please stop by for questions answered or if you would like a copy of our latest newsletter and/or other brochures!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AND TEACHERS

Age 3-K class: Teacher – Katie Jeurissen and rotating helpers

Grade 1-6 class: Teacher – Sarah Lehman and Susan Hirst

ASBURY UMC STAFF

Administrative Assistant: Faith Kirch
Asst. to the Pastor/Disciple Development: Max Bovee
Broadcast Ministry: Bob Kurtz
Child Care Workers: Ashlee Weldon
Cleaning Services: Frances Goutremout
Congregational Care Ministry: Pamela Quimby; Darlene Welbourn
Faith Community Nurse: Darlene Welbourn
Financial Secretary: Dan Webb
Maintenance: Gerald Holder
Music Program Leadership: Catherine Mowers – Music Director
Ghilyana Dordzhieva; Lynn Morgan; Melanie Rafferty;
Michelle Rudd; Lisa Smith; Helen Timerman; Bina West;
Jennifer Whitenack
Treasurer: Deb VanHouten

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

Greeters:

Sterling Street: Carol Stoodley, Darlene Town, Adrianna and Amanda Weldon, Sue Snell, Melanie Rafferty, and Erica Pettit

Advent Readers: Lindsay Webb and Jaelah

Liturgist: Max Bovee

Organist: Lisa Smith

Acolytes: Hannah Johnson, Olivia Lehman, Jaelah Liriano, Anthony Patrick, Michael Rudd, Ruzena Rudd, Madyson Smith

Shepherdess: Marie Jewson, Bonnie Peck, Pam Quimby

Shepherd: William Littell

Ushers: John Cerow

Wayne Morris

Bill Plemons

Bill Smith

Darlene Town

Dan Webb

Kim Welt

Bill Hickox

Dick Persons

James Rafferty

Lisa Smith

Patrick Town

Adrianna Weldon

Larry Welt

Lorraine Irwin

Orie Phillips

Dale Scott

Carol Stoodley

Leon VanWie

Amanda Weldon

**December 27 – Wear Your Christmas Sweaters and
other Christmas Clothes!**

On December 27 during the 10:15 A.M. service.

We are encouraging everyone to wear your favorite Christmas sweater or any Christmas clothes to lift the Christmas spirit! Ugly Christmas sweaters are welcome as well! We hope to bring joy and laughter to you this Christmas season!



ASBURY MEMORIAL TREE

Again, this year a Memorial Tree will be placed at the rear of the sanctuary to give people the opportunity to remember a loved one(s) during Advent. For each memorial gift, one ornament will be placed on the tree.

Please fill out the form below and return or mail it to the church office by December 6 with your check made out to Asbury UMC--Memorial Tree. Please give as you are able. Please do not include this in your regular weekly offering envelope. Thank you.

Given By _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

In Memory of

Amount Enclosed _____

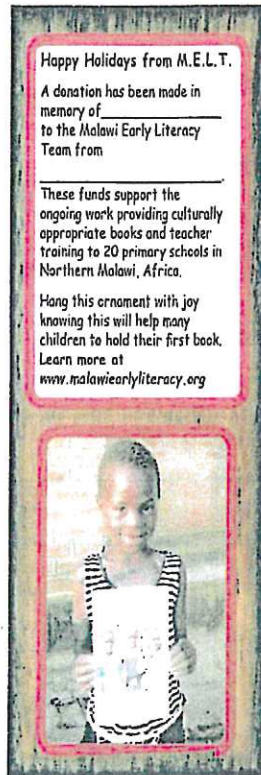
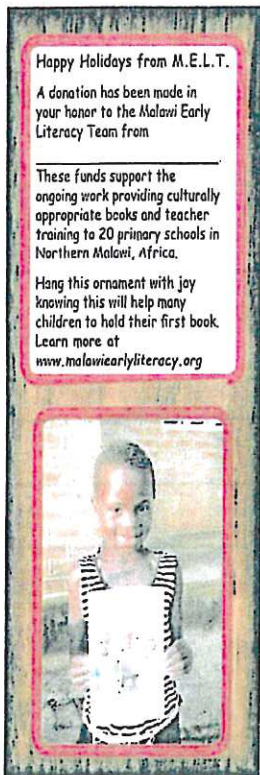


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The people of The United Methodist Church®

M.E.L.T. Holiday Ornaments

Help support M.E.L.T.'s ongoing work providing culturally appropriate books and teacher training to 20 primary schools in Northern Malawi, Africa by sending a MELT-themed ornament to a loved one. With a minimum donation of \$10, we will send a MELT ornament to a loved one in honor or in memory of a person of your choice.

Use the paper form or go to m-e-l-t-holiday-ornament.cheddarup.com to place an order.



M.E.L.T. Holiday Ornament Form

\$10 minimum donation to give a loved one a MELT Ornament

Purchaser Information

Name _____
email _____
Phone _____
Address _____
City _____
State _____ Zip code _____

Receiver Information

In honor of _____
or In Memory of _____

Please mail this ornament gift and Holiday card to:

Name _____
Address _____
State _____
City _____ Zip code _____

Two Easy Ways to Order

1. Download – Complete form – mail by December 11 for Christmas delivery to:

Heather White, M.E.L.T. chair
424 Paddock Street
Watertown NY 13601

Checks payable to: First Presbyterian Church
Memo: MELT ornament

2. Order online: go to: m-e-l-t-holiday-ornament.cheddarup.com

Use one form per gifted ornament. Questions? info@m-e-l-t.org
Zikomo – Thank you!