

CHORAL BENEDICTION: "Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace" adapt.
Bristol, Jr.

POSTLUDE: "Festival March" by R. Powell

LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Our home bound and nursing home residents: Jane Alteri, Linda Bennett,
Lois Berry, Ellie Cerow, David Heasley, Bill Lennon and Stevie Mider.

Others: Mike Hill

WELCOME CENTER: First time at Asbury? Stop by our welcome center if you have questions or if you would like a copy of our latest newsletter or other brochures!

WEEKLY INFORMATION:

Attendance Last Sunday: In Person: 88
Online: 35

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 180
2023 Year-to-Date Total: 14,298

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

Greeters: Anne Marie Gianfagna, Jim Juczak, and Patty Littell

Liturgist: Jean Marshall

Organist: Ghilyana Dordzhieva

Chapel Service: Michelle Rudd

Acolytes: Jaydon Ives, Olivia Lehman, Jaelah Liriano, Anthony Patrick, Abigail Patrick, Alexander Patrick, Michael Rudd and Ruzena Rudd

Shepherds: Bonnie Peck and Pam Quimby

Ushers: Lorraine Irwin

Orie Phillips

Dale Scott

Glen Snell

Patrick Town

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Bill Plemons

Bill Smith

Carol Stoodley

Leon VanWie

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James Rafferty

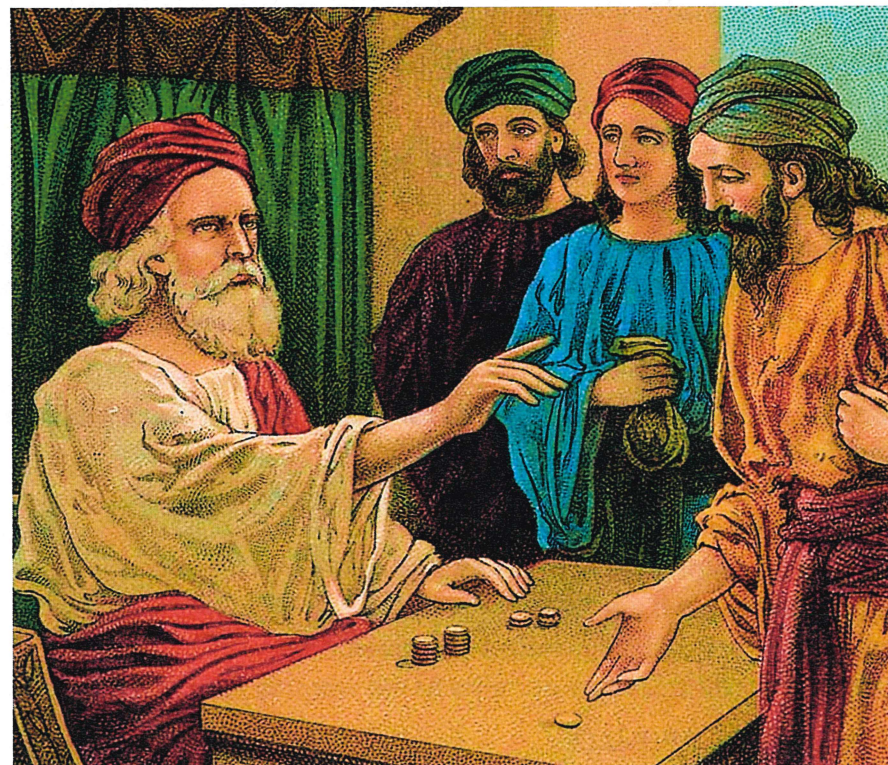
Lisa Smith

Darlene Town

Dan Webb

ASBURY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
NOVEMBER 19, 2023; 10:15 A.M.

*Making disciples of Jesus Christ
for the transformation of the world.*



WELL DONE,
GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT...

ENTER INTO
the joy of your master

MATTHEW 25:23

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CENTERING WORDS FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP:

USE THE TALENTS YOU POSSESS; FOR SILENT WOULD THE FOREST BE, IF THE ONLY BIRDS THAT SANG WERE THOSE WHO SANG BEST.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching.

(🌿 - Indicates please stand, if able, in posture or in spirit.)

PRELUDE: "Morningdance" Moklebust
Asbury Ringers

CHOIR INTROIT: "Now Thank We All Our God" Rinkart/Cruger

PRAYER FOR PEACE

(Our peace lamp originates from Taybeh, the Biblical village named Ophrah or Ephraim, where Jesus stayed with his disciples before going to Jerusalem. Taybeh is about 15 miles north-east of Jerusalem. See insert for more info.)

🌿 CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: God calls us to use our gifts for the building of God's kingdom.

People: But we're afraid.

Leader: Christ urges us to find our courage and not look back.

People: But our gifts seem so small.

Leader: The Spirit offers us everything we need.

People: But what if we fail?

Leader: Trust the gifts you have been given.

People: We will celebrate our gifts as we worship God this day.

🌿 PASSING OF THE PEACE

🌿 HYMN: "We Gather Together to Ask the Lord's Blessing" #131

🌿 OPENING PRAYER

God of fall and winter, God of spring and summer, you know the seasons of our lives. Let the season of darkness and doubt pass away that we may be reborn in your light. Lead us into a season of light and warmth: a season of joy; a season of sober judgement; a season where your children clothe themselves in the breastplate of faith and hope and the helmet of hope and salvation. Help us put aside the ways of darkness and live as children of light. Amen.

CHOIR ANTHEM: "Thanks We Bring" D. E. Wagner

TEACHING THE CHILDREN

MISSION MINUTE

SHARING OF JOYS/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.

THE WRITTEN WORD: Matthew 25: 14-30

🌿 HYMN: "Lord, Be Glorified" #2150

THE SPOKEN WORD: "A Challenge to Believers"

OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "Intermezzo in A-flat major" by Schumann
Arthur Lukomyansky, Clarinet

🌿 DOXOLOGY

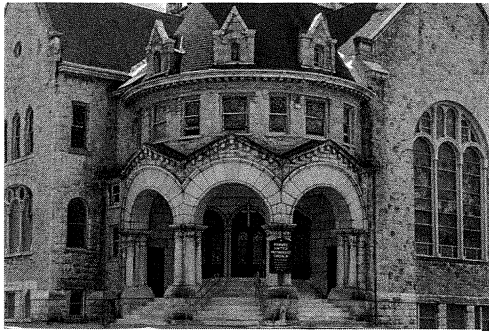
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye Heavenly Host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

🌿 PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Giver of gifts, you bestow us with talents that are far more precious than jewels. Open our eyes to the possibilities you hold for our world. Transform the gifts we offer this day into light and love for the world. Transform our talents into blessings for a world in need. Amen.

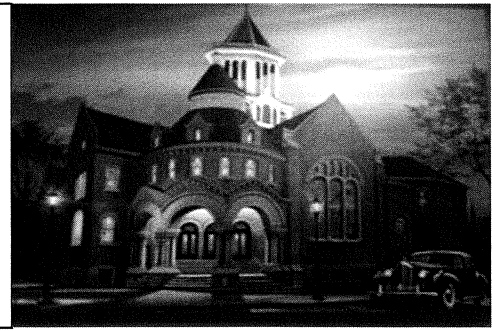
🌿 HYMN: "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" #2153

🌿 BENEDICTION



ASBURY UMC

*Opportunities
to Share Our Love
for God
and Each Other*



This Week

November 19 - November 26, 2023

Meetings

Staff Meeting @ Parlor

- Monday, November 20: 10:15 A.M.

Finance Committee Meeting @ Parlor

- Tuesday, November 21: 2:00 P.M.

Church Council Meeting @ Parlor

- Sunday, November 26: After Worship

Opportunities to Share

River Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- TODAY, November 19: NOON - 2:00 P.M.

Northern Choral Society Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- TODAY, November 19: 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Asbury Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Monday, November 20: 6:15 P.M.

Thanksgiving Eve Service @ Chapel

- Wednesday, November 22: 6:30 P.M.

Wedding Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Friday, November 24: 5:00 P.M.

Wedding @ Sanctuary

Saturday, November 25: 1:00 P.M.

River Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Sunday, November 26: NOON - 2:00 P.M.

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In cooperation with the Salvation Army, Asbury is reaching out and sharing the spirit of Christmas with 25 young boys and girls. There is an ANGEL TREE in the parlor with their names, ages and Christmas wishes.

If you would like to help make their wishes come true, take one of the names from the tree, buy a gift and bring it back to the tree unwrapped by December 10th, so we can get the gifts to the Salvation Army for distribution.

Thank you for caring & sharing.

Scripture of the Week

“The word of the Lord has sounded forth in every place.”

- 1 Thessalonians 1:8 -



ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK



Frank and Joanne Rhode
November 19, 1983



Holy Communion will be celebrated in December on the 3rd for the Chapel Service at 8:15 a.m. and on the 10th for the Sanctuary Service at 10:15 a.m. due to the Northern Choral Concert. Thank you for your understanding.

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THE VISION OF ASBURY

*To Make Disciples of
Jesus Christ for the
Transformation of the World.*

THE MISSION OF ASBURY

*To Inspire People of All
Generations to Love, Learn
and Lead Through Worship,
Education, and Service.*

THE ASBURY MOTTO

*No Matter Where You Are
on Life's Journey,
You Are Welcome Here!*

Join Us Next Sunday, November 26th

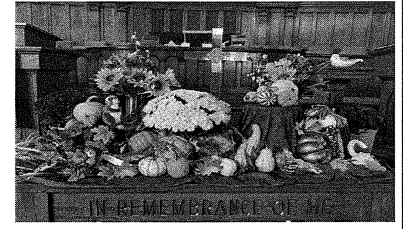
Worship Services:

8:15 A.M. in the Chapel:

Paul Simmons is preaching

10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:

Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching



"The Heart That Grew Three Sizes" Advent Study

We don't know why the Grinch hated Christmas. We just know he did. If we're being honest, there's probably something within the Christmas season celebration that awakens a Grinch within all of us. Maybe the gift we unwrap was all wrong, or memories that were supposed to be joyful never were. When everything seems wrong in the world, even joyful celebrations are much too loud.

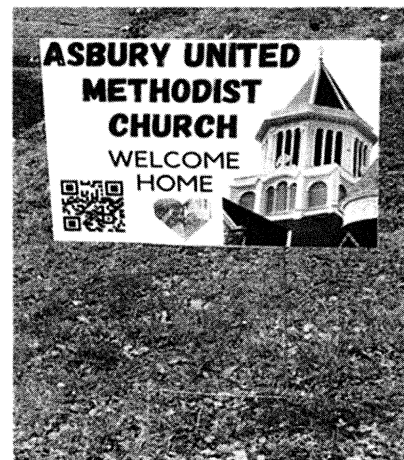
Rediscover and reinvigorate your Christian faith this Advent and Christmas season and look at this familiar classic through the lens of faith with a DVD/Advent Study called "The Heart That Grew Three Sizes" by Matt Rawle, finding faith in the story of the Grinch!

This study will be led by Pastor Michael on Mondays Nov. 27, Dec. 4, Dec. 11, and Dec. 18 at 7:15 P.M. in the parlor.

You can search online for the study book, but it is not required.

More About Our Peace Lamp

"The Taybeh Peace Lamp Initiative" was launched in 2004. It started because of the terrible conflict that harmed the Holy Land. Israelis and Palestinians had tried all possible means of action to put an end to it, using both violence and non-violence, but with little success. As a last resort, they addressed a Prayer for Peace in the Holy Land to our Lord with a simple and symbolic idea to unite over 100,000 churches, through the lamps, in a common Prayer for Peace in the Holy Land. Thus, the lamp and the light, become a message of peace and a sign of solidarity towards the Holy Land from the churches all around the world.



Asbury UMC yard signs are for sale!

The sign pictured is what is available. Perfect to put outside of your home or business to help promote Asbury!

The signs are \$10.00 each. You can purchase them through Paul Simmons or stop by the Church Office to pick up one (or many)!

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 10:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY: 10:00 A.M.- NOON



All poinsettia orders are due by NOVEMBER 20th.

Therefore, if you wish to order a memorial poinsettia please complete the coupon below and send it with \$15.00 to the church office by Monday, November 20th. This coupon and payment may also be put in the Sunday offering.

GIVEN BY: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____

IN HONOR OF: _____

NUMBER OF PLANTS: _____

BRINGING MY PLANT HOME: _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: _____ CHECK: _____ CASH: _____