

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: 82

Online: 25

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 257

2024 Year-to-Date Total: 3,411

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

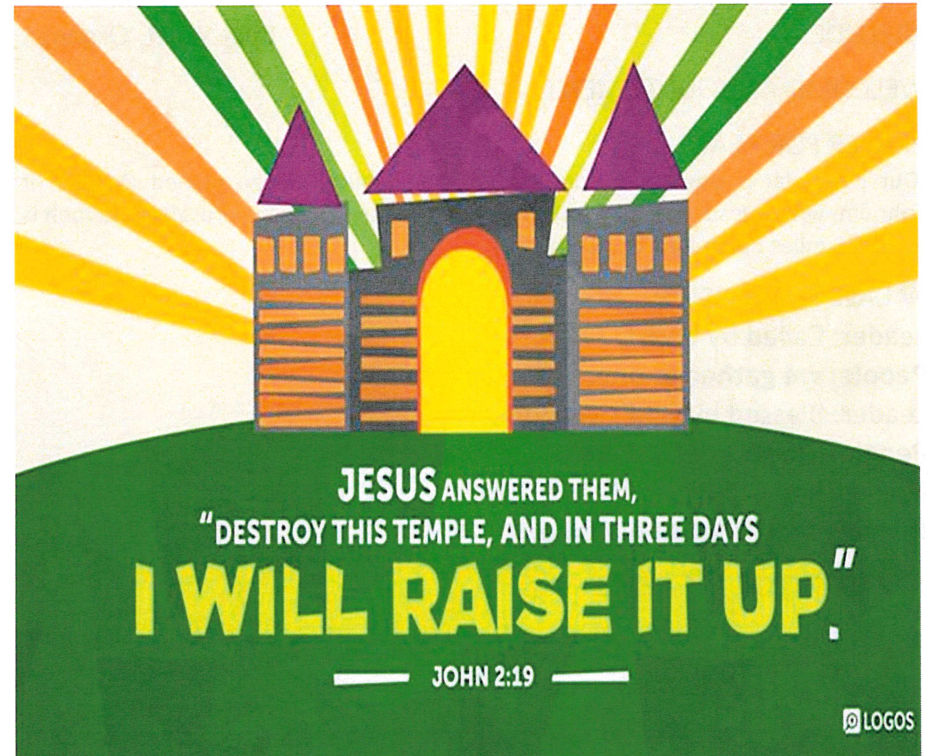
Organist: Bina West

Chapel Service: Pastor Michael Terrell



**ASBURY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MARCH 3, 2024; 8:15 A.M.**

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



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CENTERING WORDS FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP:

WHAT IF ALL OUR WORDS WERE PLEASING TO GOD? MIGHT WE
DISCOVER WISDOM AND CHANGE THE WORLD?

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching

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

PRELUDE Bina West, Organist

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.)

🌿 CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Called by Christ,

People: we gather as one.

Leader: Blessed by God's wisdom,

People: we gather to learn.

Leader: Amazed by God's love,

People: we gather to worship.

🌿 PASSING OF THE PEACE

🌿 HYMN: "How Great Thou Art" #77

🌿 OPENING PRAYER

God of glory and might, speak to us with your wisdom, that we might truly hear you. Display your majesty, that we might truly see you. Transform the chaos of our lives with the clarity of your call, that we might worship you in spirit and in truth. Amen.

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.

THE WRITTEN WORD: The Gospel According to John 2: 13-22

🌿 HYMN "Dear Jesus, in Whose Life I See" #468

THE SPOKEN WORD: "March Madness"

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been to this sacrament often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus and you who have failed. Come, it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Insert)

GIVING AND RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION (Gluten-Free Bread)

🌿 OFFERING PRAYER

May the gifts we bring be gifts of love. May the offerings we share be offerings of our hearts. May each gift be blessed by your grace, that others may know the truth of your wisdom and your love. Amen.

🌿 HYMN: "Take Time to Be Holy" #395

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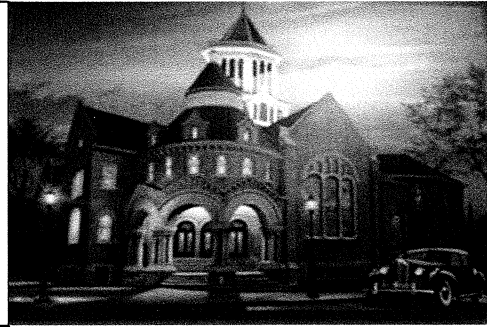
POSTLUDE

<p>LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS: <u>Our home bound and nursing home residents:</u> Jane Alteri, Linda Bennett, Lois Berry, Ellie Cerow, David Heasley, Bill Lennon and Stevie Mider. <u>Others:</u> Mike Hill, Lindsay Webb, Rev. Bill Palmer and his son Steven, Stacy and Kevin Teunissen, Dortha Brown, Sue, and Patty.</p>



ASBURY UMC

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



This Week

March 3 - March 10, 2024

Meetings

Staff Meeting @ Parlor

- Monday, March 4: 10:15 A.M.

Christian Connections Meeting @ Parlor

- Tuesday, March 5: 6:00 P.M.

Opportunities to Share

Confirmation Class @ Youth Room

- TODAY, March 3: 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Asbury Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Monday, March 4: 6:15 P.M.

Lenten Study w/ Pastor @ Parlor

- Monday, March 4: 6:30 P.M.

Quilting Ministry @ Sunday School Room

- Wednesday, March 6: 9:00 A.M.

Prayer Circle @ Parlor

- Wednesday, March 6: 11:00 A.M.

Junior Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Wednesday, March 6: 4:00 P.M.

Agape Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Thursday, March 7: 6:15 P.M.

Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room

- Sunday, March 10: 9:15 A.M.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK



Mar. 8 Nick Shattuck

Mar. 9 Ruzena Rudd



ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK



Patrick and Darlene Town

March 9, 2009



Scripture of the Week

“The Lord makes the plans of the people of no effect.
The counsel of the Lord stands forever.”

- Psalm 33:10-11 -

Easter Egg Hunt! - Donations Needed

On Sunday, March 24th, Asbury will be having their Easter Egg Hunt following the 10:15 A.M. service. Donations of individually wrapped candy and small non candy treats (Easter erasers, stickers, slime, etc.) are appreciated. We do not need any plastic eggs. There is a donation box in the back of the rotunda. **We will collect items until Sunday, March 17th. If you would like to help pack the eggs, we will meet after church in the Sunday School Office on Sunday, March 17th.**

Women in Faith Presentation & Potluck!

Asbury's United Women in Faith will meet **Thursday, March 14th at 4:30 P.M. in Wesley Hall.** A presentation by Erika Flint about the Safe Schools Endeavor Program will be at that time. A potluck dinner and Women in Faith meeting will follow the presentation.

Covered Dish Luncheon After Worship

TODAY in Wesley Hall

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THE VISION OF ASBURY

*To Make Disciples of
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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, March 10th

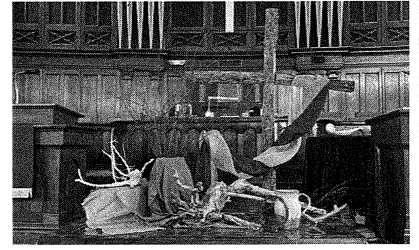
Worship Services:

8:15 A.M. in the Chapel:

Wayne Morris is preaching

10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:

Pastor Michael Terrell is preaching



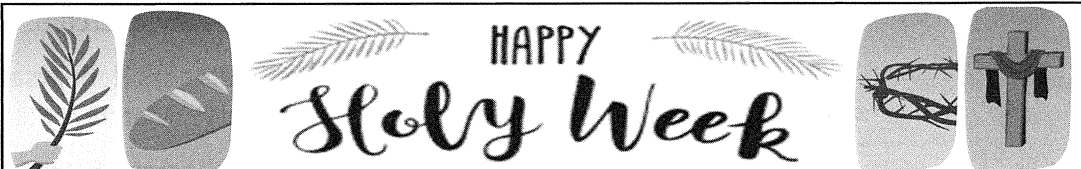
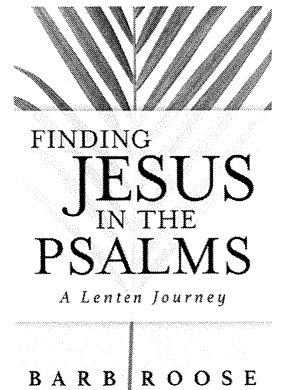
Finding Jesus in the Psalms - Bible Study

Our Lenten Bible Study led by Pastor Michael began on Monday, February 19th and will continue through Monday, March 25th, from 7:15 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. in the parlor.

Journey with us for a meaningful encounter with the Psalms through the season of Lent. Combining an interpretation of the Psalms with real life stories, the study moves through the familiar words of Psalm 23 toward the painful cries of Psalm 22 uttered by Jesus on the cross. The study includes reflections on the life of King David and the original context of the writings, along with connections between the Psalms and the life and death of Jesus the Messiah.

"The Psalms provide a perfect framework for experiencing Lent through the verses that were Jesus's own scriptures, offering both him and us strength and wisdom in a painful and redemptive season. The Book of Psalms hums with the heartbeat of our humanity with divinely inspired words that find purchase in the tenderest places in our hearts when our human words or wisdom fails us." - from Author Barb Roose

You can order the study book online through Amazon or Cokesbury.



Thursday, March 28th (Maundy Thursday) @ 6:00 P.M.:
Maundy Thursday Potluck & Communion @ Wesley Hall

Friday, March 29th (Good Friday) @ 12:15 & 6:15 P.M.:
Good Friday Services @ Chapel

Sunday, March 31st (EASTER) @ 6:46 A.M.:
Easter Sunrise Service @ Thompson Park Pinnacle

Sunday, March 31st (EASTER) @ 8:15 A.M.:
Chapel Service @ Chapel

Sunday, March 31st (EASTER) @ 10:15 A.M.:
Sanctuary Service @ Sanctuary

Holy Communion



Pastor: God is with you!

ALL: And God is with us all.

Pastor: Open wide your hearts.

ALL: We open them completely to the Spirit of God.

Pastor: May God's love nurture your wandering spirits each day.

ALL: May God's light sustain your souls each night.

Pastor concludes with -

May the Spirit who traveled with Christ in the wilderness

And fills us with the hope of God

Surround these elements.

May the Holy Spirit speak to us in this season of wilderness

Becoming our strength on this journey

And filling our lives with love.

ALL: Amen.