<u>WELCOME CENTER</u>: 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: 87

Online: 45

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 371

2025 Year-to-Date Total: 7,463

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

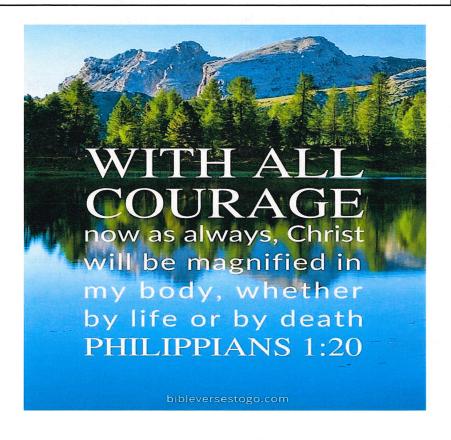
Organist: Bina West

Chapel Service: Lindsay Webb

LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

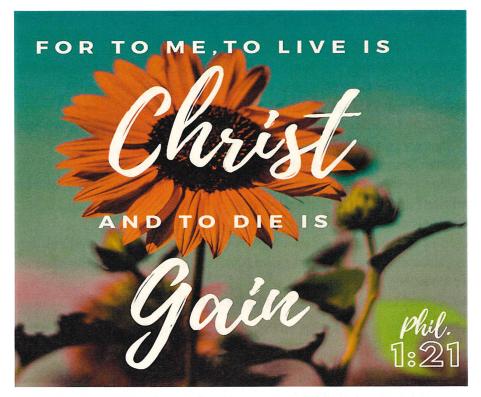
<u>Our home bound and nursing home residents</u>: Linda Bennett, Lois Berry, Shirley Berry, Ellie Cerow, David Heasley, and Bill Lennon.

Others: Dawn Baum, Theresa Bierman, Max & Greeta Bovee, Patty C., Tom Carlisle, Sayler Forbes, Mike Hill, Colleen M., Keri Morris, Kathy Ruhm, and William Van Houten.



ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH MAY 11, 2025; 8:15 A.M.

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



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Lindsay Webb is preaching.

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

PRE-WORSHIP MUSIC

Bina West, Organist

WELCOME AND CENTERING THOUGHTS

LIGHTING OF THE PEACE CANDLE AND PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively)

Leader: Welcome! Welcome to the baggage we carry, the joys we share, the griefs we bear, and the worries we hold.

People: Come! Let us worship!

Leader: The voice of God is calling us to come with all that we are and

all that we carry to worship.

People: Come! Let us worship!

Leader: God calls us to gather, to receive grace in our gathering, and to

reorient us again to the ways of God.

People: Come! Let us worship!

Leader: So, come, members of the family of God! Bring all that you are to be molded by grace, refocused toward love, and woven together as a community in Christ.

All: Come! Let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen.

🗯 HYMN:

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

#89

(vs. 1 & 3)

OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

In a world which can be terrifying, God of mercy, we turn to you, filled with gratitude. Why?

Because new life continues to appear all around us. We see it in flowering trees and vast shades of green. Most of all we see it in the new life you bring to the world through the resurrected Christ. By raising Him up to abundant and eternal life, you show us the abundant life you've designed for all your creation.

Plant that awareness deep within us even as we praise you! Amen!

SCRIPTURE:

Philippians 1: 20-21

MESSAGE: "Choose Joy Not Discouragement"

₩ HYMN: "Precious Lord, Take

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand" #474

SHARING OF OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

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.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

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

Eternal God, take and use these gifts for your purpose in the world—giving food to the hungry, hope to the despairing, and new life to the dead. Teach us to live each day for you, so that future generations will know your goodness and praise your glory. In the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

₩ HYMN:

"Fairest Lord Jesus"

#189

(vs. 1 & 4)

BENEDICTION

God calls us to worship in our gathering *and* in our scattering. May God bless you as you go from this place to answer His call to worship in everything you do in thought, word, and deed that you may be a blessing of love, hope, and peace to all you meet. Amen.

POSTLUDE



ASBURY UMC

Opportunities to Share
Our Love for God
and Each Other



This Week

May 11 - May 18, 2025

Meetings

Asbury Staff Meeting @ Parlor

- Monday, May 12: 10:15 A.M.

Mission Committee Meeting @ Parlor

- Monday, May 12: 5:00 P.M.

Trustees Meeting via Zoom

- Tuesday, May 13: 6:30 P.M.

Scripture of the Week

"The people walking in darkness have seen a great light."

- Isaiah 9:2 -

Would you like to help serve communion? See Frances Goutremout to sign up!



Opportunities to Share

Asbury Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Monday, May 12: 6:15 P.M.

Prayer Circle @ Parlor

- Wednesday, May 14: 10:30 A.M.

Agape Ringers Rehearsal @ Sanctuary

- Thursday, May 15: 6:15 P.M.

Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room

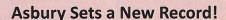
- Thursday, May 15: 7:15 P.M.

Choir Rehearsal @ Choir Room

- Sunday, May 18: 9:30 A.M.

Confirmation Class @ Parlor & Game Room

- Sunday, May 18: 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.



On Sunday, May 4th, Asbury set a new record, bringing **104** loaves of bread to worship for the Urban Mission Food Pantry!





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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 <u>Next Sunday, May 18th</u>

Worship Services:

8:15 A.M. in the Chapel: Jane Eastham will be preaching.

10:15 A.M. in the Sanctuary:
Pastor Michael Terrell will be preaching.

Scripture: John 13: 31-35

Message: "Action Packed Faith"



A Bloom in Their Memory

Help Us Fill the Vase for Memorial Day



This May, we invite you to honor the memory of a loved one by adding a flower to our community vase. For every \$5 donation (or simply as a heartfelt gesture - no donation required), you may choose an artificial flower from the display or bring one of your own.

Each flower represents someone we carry in our hearts.

- Flowers will be placed in a large vase at the Fellowship table throughout the month of May.
- On Memorial Day Sunday, the filled vase will be placed on the altar during worship as a visual tribute to those we remember and cherish.
- Please place your gift in an envelope labeled "Memorial Gift" and place it in the offering plate or send it into the church office by May 31st. If you are paying by check, please make it out to "Asbury UMC - Memorial Gift".

After worship on Memorial Day Sunday, join us for a special Fellowship with cake served in memory of our loved ones.

Please direct questions to Lisa Smith, Co-Chair Memorials and Gifts Committee ljsmith2100@gmail.com (315) 778-4173

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

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

PASTOR'S OFFICE HOURS:

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