

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: 80

Online: 51

Food Pantry Items Donated and Purchased Last Week: 264
2026 Year-to-Date Total: 4,905

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS TODAY

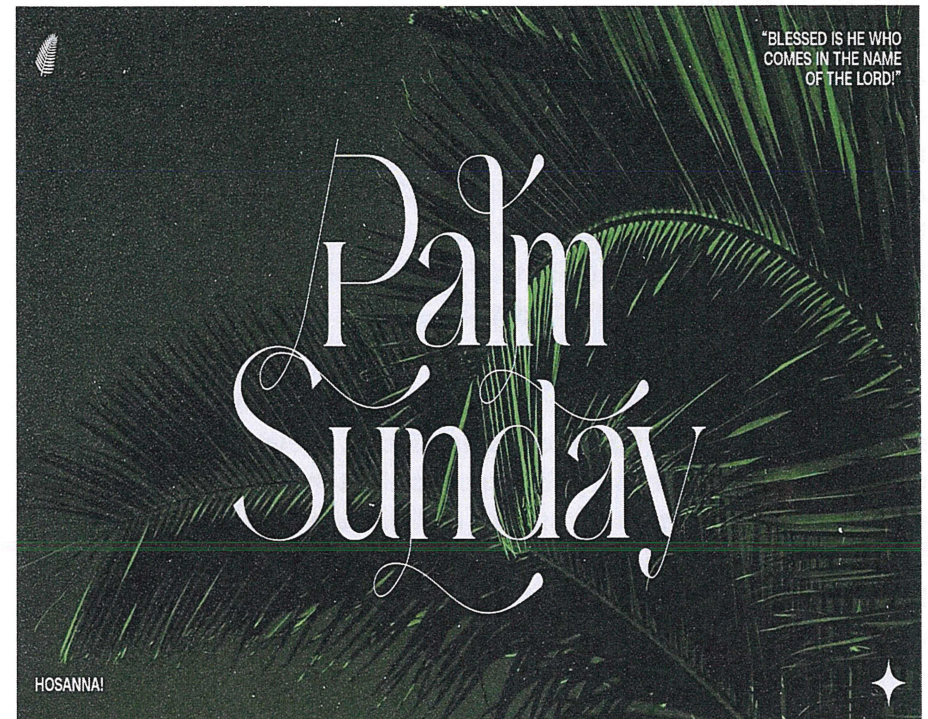
Organist: Bina West

Chapel Service: Wayne Morris



**ASBURY
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MARCH 29, 2026; 8:15 A.M.**

To Form Disciples of Jesus Christ Who, Empowered by The Holy Spirit, Love Boldly, Serve Joyfully, and Lead Courageously in Local Communities and Worldwide Connections.



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Wayne Morris is preaching.

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

WELCOME

Bina West, Organist

PRAYER FOR PEACE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: On this day, imagine; a city on a hill top, a hot, dusty road, and a man sitting on a donkey riding through cheering crowds and frowning church officials.

People: This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee! A prophet! A leader! A king? A savior? The messiah?

Leader: On this day, imagine; the King is coming!

People: The King is coming! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

OPENING THOUGHTS (In Unison)

Let us follow Jesus slowly; follow him at a donkey's pace. Let's not run past Friday to hurry to Easter Sunday. Let us experience Jesus' ups and downs. Let's climb the steps to the temple court. Watch the meal in the upper room for supper on Thursday, hide among trees in the garden, late Thursday night, stand outside the judgement hall on Friday morning, stumble to the hilltop Friday at noon, crouch beneath the cross Friday at noon. Let us follow Jesus slowly; follow him at a donkey's pace...

 HYMN: "Blessed Assurance" #369

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Let us be honest with God, with each other, and with ourselves about the state of our lives. Let us confess.

People: Forgiving God, we come to you shouting "HOSANNA!" Yet we are all too aware that we would rather stay on the street corner, joyfully watching the parade. We do not want to be a part of the betrayal, the trial, the crucifixion, the pain. Merciful God, we need you to lead us through the days ahead. Help us to know your

presence in the hard times, even as we trust that you will guide us on to the victory of your resurrection. Amen.

Leader: God forgives our sins, renews and restores us. Thanks be to God. Amen and amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 26:14 – 27:66

 HYMN: "It Is Well with My Soul" #377

MESSAGE: "The Passion Week"

PASTORAL PRAYER


THE 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/OFFERTORY

 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.

 HYMN: "Victory in Jesus" #370

SENDING FORTH

LET US PRAY THIS WEEK FOR OUR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS:

Our home bound and nursing home residents: Linda Bennett, Lois Berry, Shirley Berry, Ellie Cerow, and Jim Coutu.

Others: April, Gary, Kate, Katherine, Deb and Rick Brandt, Patty C., Mike Hill, Gerald Holder, Colleen M., Keri Morris, Kathy Ruhm, Gerald Tucker, and William Van Houten.



ASBURY UMC

Opportunities to Share Our Love
for God and Each Other



This Week: March 29 - April 5, 2026

Meetings

Asbury Staff Meeting @ Parlor
- Monday, March 30: 10:15 A.M.

Easter Egg Hunt after the Sanctuary Service

TODAY! The congregation will hide the eggs.

Let's Celebrate!

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Mar. 31 **Anthony Patrick**
April 2 **James Baker**
April 3 **Glen Snell**
April 3 **Sayler Forbes**

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

John and Eleanor Cerow
April 3, 1976



Opportunities to Share

Children's Easter Egg Hunt @ Sanctuary & Rotunda
- TODAY, March 29: After Sanctuary Service

Asbury Ringers Practice @ Sanctuary
- Monday, March 30: 6:15 P.M.

Prayer Service @ First UMC
- Tuesday, March 31: 6:00 P.M.

Quilting Ministry @ Sunday School Room
- Wednesday, April 1: 9:00 A.M.

Prayer Circle @ Parlor
- Wednesday, April 1: 10:30 A.M.

Choir Practice @ Choir Room
- Thursday, April 2: 5:15 P.M.

Holy Thursday Potluck w/ Communion @ Wesley Hall
- Thursday, April 2: 6:30 P.M.

Asbury Book Club @ Flower Memorial Library
- Friday, April 3: 10:00 A.M.

Good Friday Service @ Chapel
- Friday, April 3: NOON & 6:00 P.M.

Easter Sunrise Service @ Thompson Park Pinnacle
- Sunday, April 5: 6:30 A.M.

Choir Warm-Up @ Choir Room
- Sunday, April 5: 9:30 A.M.

Holy Thursday, April 2

6:30 P.M., Potluck Dinner w/ Communion @ Wesley Hall

Good Friday, April 3

NOON & 6:00 P.M., Good Friday Service @ Chapel

Easter Sunday, April 5

6:30 A.M., Sunrise Service @ Thompson Park Pinnacle

8:15 A.M., Chapel Service @ Chapel

10:15 A.M., Sanctuary Service @ Sanctuary



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Education, and Service.*

THE ASBURY MOTTO

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

Join Us on Easter! Sunday, April 5

Worship Services:

8:15 A.M. in the Chapel:
Pastor Michael will be preaching.

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

Scripture: Matthew 28: 1-10

Message: "Forgiven"



Coins for Lent Activity Calendar (copies in the rotunda)

Palm/Passion Sunday Prayer

"Hosanna, King Jesus, we praise God in all things. We bow our knees in awe of God's grace that surrounds us. Help us honor and welcome you every day. Show us ways to be a blessing to others. Hosanna in the highest, Amen."

Pray today, thanking God for clothing that protects you from the elements. Pray for those who lack clothing to keep them warm and dry.

Lenten Coin Project Activities This Week:

- 3/30:** A coin for every Bible in your home.
- 3/31:** A coin for every book of hymns or sacred songs in your home.
- 4/1:** A coin for every cross in your home.
- 4/2:** A coin for every prayer you say today.
- 4/3:** A coin for every story of Jesus you can tell.
- 4/4:** A coin for every person in your family.

On **Easter Sunday, April 5th**, bring in your "Coins for Lent" collection. Funds raised will be donated to the Salvation Army.

For more information, check out:

<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/articles/coins-for-lent-2026>

or contact Sarah Lehman at 315-767-2641.

Church Rummage Sale
Fri., Apr. 17 & Sat., Apr. 18
8:30 AM - 1:30 PM
200 Parker St., Watertown

Fill the room downstairs in Wesley Hall with all the treasures you are ready to give to others: furniture, jewelry, kitchen items, small appliances (clean and working), tools, summer decorations, puzzles, books, toys, craft supplies, antiques, recipe books, etc.

Baked goods are needed for the bake sale. Asbury pie makers are the best! Make them ahead of time, freeze them, ready to bake.

If you would like to bring in spring plants (daffodils, hyacinths, tulips, etc.) for the Easter altar, please bring them in on **Thursday, April 2nd, before noon.**

If they are in honor of a loved one, please let the church office know by **Monday, March 30th.** Place your name on your plant before dropping it off.

If you have any questions, please contact Joanne Rhode.