

Connect

Friday, April 7 at 7:00 P.M.

Please register your attendance and place in offering plate.

1st Time Guest New resident

Repeat Guest Member

Ages (check all that apply):

Under 18

18-25 26-29 30-39

40-49 50-59 over 60

Name(s): _____

Children attending & age(s): _____

Please check if your information has changed.

Address: _____

Phone(s): _____

E-mail: _____

Wish to Join?

Please check all that apply.

I would like to publicly profess my faith in Christ and receive the Sacrament of Christian Baptism.

I am interested in knowing more about _____

I would like to transfer my membership from a church of another denomination.

I would like to transfer my membership from another United Methodist Church.

For more information, contact Bro. Hammett at hammett@asbury-lr.org.

WHAT IS TENEBRAE?

The service of Tenebrae, which means “shadows,” has been celebrated for at least 1,600 years. It began when monks cleaned the sanctuary on Good Friday evening in preparation for Easter. As they cleaned, the monks would sing songs about the events leading up to Christ’s death. Over time, people began to worship in a service commemorating Christ’s suffering and death.

The most significant feature of the service is the gradual extinguishing of the lights and candles in the room and on the altar. Twelve candles represent the disciples and all followers of Christ, and the larger candle represents Christ himself. Like the monks of old, our altar guild will remove the symbols of worship from the sanctuary, for what reason is there to worship without the good news of Easter?

Easter Weekend Schedule

Easter Eggstravaganza—Join Asbury on Saturday, April 8 from 10-11:30am with a bounce house, crafts, snow cones, and a visit from the Easter Bunny! Egg hunt will be at 11am!

Easter Sunday

7am— Sunrise Service at the South Lawn Columbarium

8:30am—Coffee and Donuts Fellowship in North Hall

9am—Sanctuary Service featuring ASO String Quartet

10am—Sunday School for all ages

11am—Launch Service in the Wilson Activity Center



Scan this code to sign-in, give,
and register for upcoming
events

Asbury Staff

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April 7, 2023



Good Friday Tenebrae

Our Mission

To bring others into Asbury UMC to experience a difference, so they make a difference for Jesus Christ and others.

Our Invitation

To all who need Comfort, Friendship and the Love of God through our Savior Jesus Christ. This church opens wide its doors in the name of our Lord and says,

“Welcome.”



A United Methodist Church

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*Welcome to worship with Asbury UMC!
Whether you are present in person or online,
we pray that you find this service to be spirit-filled
and our community to be welcoming!*

*Please stand as able

Entrance

Entrance Music Selections from *The Messiah*
G.F. Handel

Prelude *Melodie* Phil Brandon, Flute
C. W. Gluck

Lighting of the Altar Candles Lennox Byers, Acolyte

Welcome & Introduction Rev. Dr. Hammett N. Evans

Opening Prayer Rev. Nick Schimmer

*Hymn *What Wondrous Love Is This?* 292

Offertory *Bring Him Home* Lara Noah
Claude-Michel Schonberg, Aain Boublil, Herbert Kretzmer

The Sermon Rev. Dr. Hammett N. Evans
"LES MISERABLES: In the Shadow"
God on high, hear my prayer.

THE PASSION OF LORD JESUS CHRIST

Introduction Nick Schimmer

Reading 1 Rachel Hof
THE FIRST CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Reading 2 Eli Odena
THE SECOND CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Reading 3 Lily Burks
THE THIRD CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Reading 4 Tristan Schimmer
THE FOURTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Reading 5 January Marriott
THE FIFTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Reading 6 Emory Byers
THE SIXTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Anthem *When You Prayed Beneath the Trees* Chancel Choir
Christopher Idle

Reading 7 Meri Parker
THE SEVENTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Reading 8 Jimmy Harward
THE EIGHTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Reading 9 Hope Cogbill
THE NINTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Reading 10 Seth Harward
THE TENTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Reading 11 Nathan Hof
THE ELEVENTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Reading 12 Colin Stumhofer
THE TWELFTH CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED

Anthem *And No Bird Sang* Chancel Choir
Douglas E. Wagner

Reading 13 Rev. Dr. Hammett N. Evans
THE CHRIST CANDLE IS EXTINGUISHED
Strepitus

Reading 14 Rev. Nick Schimmer

The Song of the Suffering Servant Isaiah 53:4-9

Song *Were You There?* Caleb Conrad

Silence in Darkness

The Dismissal

Holy Week Volunteer Signup

Asbury has exciting worship services planned for Holy Week! If you would like to be a part of them, please sign up below or scan the QR Code.



Palm Sunday

Read Scripture

Serve as Liturgist

Maundy Thursday

Set up for service

Serve as Communion Steward

Good Friday

Set up for Service

Serve as a reader

Easter

Process into service with symbols of worship

Name(s) _____

Phone _____

Email _____

PRAYER REQUEST

PRAY FOR _____

Nature of the concern: _____

Person Making the Request:

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Please have a pastor call me.

I would like to schedule a visit with a pastor.

Please publish this and include in spoken prayer requests during worship. (*Due to privacy concerns, we will only print requests that concern immediate family members, or that are confirmed by the person named in the request.*)

This request is confidential. (Pastors only)