

Connect

Sunday, May 14 at 9:00 A.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.

Christ is our peace, the indestructible peace we now share with each other.

Hallelujah!

***Gloria Patri** 70

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

***Hymn of Commitment** *The Gift of Love* 408

***Blessing**

***Congregational Benediction** 143

And God will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine
like the sun, and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

***Postlude** *Festal March*
G. F. Handel

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††<https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/today-we-celebrate-our-mothers>.

A great big thank you for the J.A.M. Choir directors!
Megan Smith, Amber Hof, and Jenn Schimmer



Flowers are given today by Gail King in memory of her parents, John and Martha King



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May 14, 2023



Mother's Day

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."



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AsburyUMCLR

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

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome & Announcements

*Passing of the Peace

Prelude *Asbokan Farewell* Meredith Hicks, Violin
Jay Ungar

*Call to Worship† Rev. Nick Schimmer

From the north and south, from the east and west ...

all are welcome here.

With hands raised high or hearts quietly pondering ...

we come to worship God.

Bringing our love, opening our minds ...

we draw near to God, near to each other, and near to Christ, the Word of God.

*Hymn of Praise *For the Beauty of the Earth* 92

*Invocation††

Loving God, we know your love because we have mothers. We thank you for the mothers who carried us in their wombs, nourishing, protecting, and bringing us into the world. We thank you for the mothers who did not give birth to us, yet loved us just the same. With gratitude we remember their words of encouragement when we have felt unsure or afraid; we thank you for their kindness when the world has treated us unkindly; we thank you for their soft, comforting arms and the gentle way they kissed away our tears; we thank you that they protected us with the fierceness of a lioness protecting her cubs; we thank you for the times when they corrected us rather than letting us continue down wrong paths. Help us to live so that their investment in us might not be in vain. We honor our mothers with lives of service to you in the name of the Risen Christ, for it is in his Name we pray. Amen.

Act of Praise *This Little Light of Mine* J.A.M.
Give Me Oil in My Lamp
I Love My Mommy

Children's Message

Nicole Rose

The congregation is invited to sing, "Jesus Loves Me," as our children come forward.

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.

Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes Jesus loves me!

Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Act of Praise *Canon of Praise* Chancel Choir
arr. Hal Hopson

Lifting Our Lives and Prayers to God

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Offertory *Meditation from "Thais"* Meredith Hicks
Jules Massenet

*Doxology 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise God all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts;

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Hearing God's Word

*Hymn of Meditation *Seek Ye First* 405

Scripture Lessons Genesis 2:20-25; Deuteronomy 24:1-4

The Message Rev. Dr. Hammett N. Evans

"BETWEEN THE DITCHES: Marriage and Family"

Marriage is a sacred covenant, yet grace is for all.

Responding to God with Our Lives

*Affirmation of Faith Worship & Song Worship Resources 33

This Is the Good News

This is the good news—the grave is empty; Jesus is risen!

Hallelujah!

This is the good news—the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never put it out.

Hallelujah!

This is the good news—once we were no people; now we are God's people.

Hallelujah!



Are you visiting today? We are so glad you came!
Please pick up a loaf of bread from the table in the Narthex. It was made by the Asbury Bread Ministry with love! It has no preservatives, please keep refrigerated. Best served toasted.

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)