

Laity Sunday

October 15, 2023



Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost



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Responding to God with Our Lives

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed 881

*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 *Here I Am, Lord* 593

*Announcements

*Blessing

*Congregational Benediction *Shalom to You* 666

**Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends,
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

*Postlude *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* St. Columbia



Donuts this morning are provided by Revs.
Susan Ledbetter and Heather Sprinkle!



Use this QR code to sign in online!

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Connect

Sunday, October 15th, 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 Pastor
Susan at susan@asbury-lr.org.

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 Rev. Susan Ledbetter

***Passing of the Peace**

Prelude *Come, Christians, Join to Sing!* Diana Brandon
arr. Eugene Englert

***Call to Worship** Rick Shelton

Scripture teaches us the ways of the Lord our God.

We will follow Jesus.

The Holy Spirit equips us to share The Good News with the world.

We will be the Light of Christ in our community.

Jesus ate with sinners, extending grace and mercy.

Help us to embody the teachings, life and love of Jesus.

Come Holy Spirit, kindle in us the fire of your love, Amen.

***Hymn of Praise** *Are Ye Able* 530

***Invocation** Rick Shelton

Almighty God who sees into our souls, we give thanks for the opportunity to gather in your name. Forgive us when we fail to offer love, grace, mercy and forgiveness. Strengthened in your love, we seek to see the shared humanity of our divine creator in all. Help us to love as Jesus loved. Amen.

Act of Praise Chancel Choir
Standing on the Promises
Mark Hayes

Children's Message Nicole Rose
The congregation is invited to sing, "Jesus Loves Me," as our children come forward.

Lifting Our Lives and Prayers to God

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Rev. Heather Sprinkle

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 Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Stewardship Moment Greg Stansell
Stone Soup

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Prayer Rev. Susan Ledbetter

Offertory *How Firm a Foundation* Diana Brandon
arr. Gilbert Martin

***Doxology** 95

**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.**

Hearing God's Word

***Hymn of Preparation** *Blessed Assurance* 369

Scripture Lesson 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 (MSG) Rick Shelton

The Message **"Keep the Message Alive"**
Rev. Susan Ledbetter

Panel of Laity: Bryan Hall, Paxton Byers, and Meg Arnold

TRUNK OR TREAT!

SUNDAY OCT. 29

3:30-5:00

Trunks!

Bounce house!

Crafts & Treats!

Sign up to serve!



PRAYER REQUESTS

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)