

WELCOME!

We extend a cordial welcome to each person who comes to worship today. We are especially pleased to welcome visitors to Asbury. Our ushers and greeters will assist you in any way possible. If you are in need of childcare, our ushers would be glad to direct you to our nursery which is on the first floor in the Education Building.

If you are visiting with us or wish to be placed on our mailing list, please fill out a "Welcome Visitor" card and place it in the offering plate. If you would like to receive news via e-mail, please include your e-mail address.

If you have questions, members of our Welcome Team would be glad to assist you. Following the service, please join us in the Social Hall for refreshments and fellowship. We hope you have a meaningful worship experience and will leave Asbury renewed, fulfilled, and challenged!

The flowers for today's service are given in honor of Harold Wiley's 88th birthday by his family.



Mission Statement

Asbury Memorial UMC is a place where all people, individually and collectively, develop their spirituality, use their talents, and grow in faith as we become a living example of people who love, serve, and celebrate God, each other, and our community.

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BODY AND BOUNCE

The Fifth Sunday
after the Epiphany

WORSHIP SERVICE
The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany
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Welcome to Asbury Memorial. In order for people to have the best worship experience possible, please turn off cell phones, watches, and anything else that beeps, chimes, or rings. Thank you!

ANNOUNCEMENTS Preston Hodges

CHIMES Preparing hearts and minds for worship

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE Choir & Congregation
Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem
Grant us peace. Grant us peace. Grant us peace on earth, grant us peace.
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***CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: A vision for our faith community, a vision of joyful worship.

All: Voices praising, young and old together, God's name glorified.

One: A vision of faithfulness to God's Word.

**All: The challenge of the prophets, heard;
The psalms, a strength.
The teachings of Jesus, the Way to follow.**

One: A vision of compassionate service.

All: The powerless empowered, the weak supported, the vulnerable given self-confidence.

One: A vision with the love of Jesus Christ at the center.

All: Let us worship God!

*HYMN *Come, Christians Join to Sing* No. 158

SILENT PRAYER & PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Billy Hester

LORD'S PRAYER All

**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 for ever.**

CHORAL RESPONSE Choir

SCRIPTURE Luke 5:1-11

*HYMN *Spirit Song* No. 347
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SERMON **Body and Bounce** Rev. Hester

OFFERTORY *In Remembrance of Me* Asbury Choir

As the ushers bring our financial gifts to the altar,
they will also be presenting medical kits as an offering to God
that will be used to help God's children in Haiti.

*DOXOLOGY No. 95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION see insert

HOLY COMMUNION see insert

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS No. 48

*HYMN *Song of Hope*
May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace; Singing, share our joy with all;
Working for a world that's new, faithful when we hear Christ's call.

*BENEDICTION Rev. Hester

*TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD
The congregation is invited to "sign" and to "sing":
*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night
I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.*

*POSTLUDE Asbury Musicians

* Those who are able, please stand.

** Children are invited to Children's Church (K-3rd & 4th-6th grades)

LITURGY FOR HOLY COMMUNION

One: "When the hour came, Jesus took his place at the table with the apostles."

All: We come as disciples following the Savior, in our gathering and in our communion, to rejoice in our Christian faith.

One: "Jesus said to them, 'I have wanted so much to eat this Passover meal with you before I suffer.'"

All: We do not know the suffering of other persons or churches, but we come in unity. May this meal be a symbol of the bond we feel for each other at Asbury Memorial and in the world.

One: "For I tell you, I will never eat it until it is given its full meaning in the kingdom of God."

All: We do not know what meal will be our last, but each meal sustains us, reminds us of how dependent we are on God for breath and health and life itself.

One: "Then Jesus took a piece of bread."

All: God of life, we ask you to bless this bread, that it may nourish us and encourage us in following your truth. May it sustain body and soul. Amen.

One: "Then Jesus broke the bread."

All: This bread reminds us of Christ's body, which was broken on a cross.

One: "Then Jesus gave it to them saying, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in memory of me.'
Then he took the cup and said, 'This cup is God's new covenant sealed with the Savior's blood, which is poured out for us all.'" Let us pray.

All: We thank you, O God, for giving us this holy feast. Bless now this food and this time together. As you have guided us in the past, so lead us in the days ahead. Spiritually renew us, and remind us that we are one family, who carry with us your justice and your peace. Amen.

Offertory Prayer for Haiti by the Rev. Hannah Bonner

Lord, as we look on the stones that are breaking,

Break our hearts of stone.

Lord, as our brothers and sisters are buried in rubble,

Lift our heads up from the sand where we have buried them.

Lord, as the hands of the afflicted reach out in despair,

Empower our hands to be quick to respond in compassion.

Lord, as we have heard the cry of the needy,

Open our mouths to respond faithfully in petition.

And Lord, as our minds ask questions and struggle to find answers,

Let our whole beings be the answers to the questions we ask.

Let us be the answer to the question you ask,

Who will go for me, and whom shall I send?

Here am I, send me.

Receive these gifts we send, receive the service we offer,

Receive our prayers, our hopes, our petitions,

For the people of Haiti, and all who serve them.

Amen.