

WELCOME

We extend a cordial welcome to each person worshipping with us today. If you need any assistance, please call on our ushers. They will be glad to help you. Please join us in the Social Hall after the service for our Coffee Hour. To learn more about Asbury, drop by our "Connection Corner" during Coffee Hour. We hope you have a meaningful worship experience and will leave Asbury renewed, fulfilled, and challenged!

**The flowers for today's worship service are given
to the glory of God
by Stacey Kern and 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.

Our Tithes and Offerings

Weekly Budget Need - \$12,254.63

Given Last Sunday - \$7,935.58

Year-to-Date Budget Need - \$502,439.83

Year-to-date Received - \$497,492.82

Billy Hester, Senior Minister
Randy Canady, Church Administrator
Claudette DeLong, Office Manager
Candace Jenkins, Connectional Ministries
Chris Kincade, Asst. Youth Director

Ray Ellis, Minister of Music
Laura Angell, Youth Director
Ruthie Deffley, Family Ministries
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Asbury Memorial
United Methodist Church
October 21, 2018
11:15 A.M.

Singin' in the Rain



God On Broadway

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE *You Are My Lucky Star* Asbury Musicians

INTROIT *Good Morning* Asbury Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Good morning!

All: Good morning!

One: This is the day that the Lord hath made!

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

*HYMN *All Things Bright and Beautiful* No. 147

SCRIPTURE Acts 16:19b-25 Rev. Pat Youngquist

One: For the Word of God in scripture and story, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us,

All: we give thanks.

SONG *Singin' in the Rain*
Gretchen Greene Dancers

ANNOUNCEMENTS Lina Lamont

SONG *Moses*
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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Youngquist

Silence & Reflection

Pastoral Prayer

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 for ever.

Choral Amen

Asbury Choir

STEWARDSHIP Weather Report

*HYMN *There Shall be Showers of Blessing* insert

SERMON **Swingin' in the Rain** Rev. Billy Hester

TITHES & OFFERINGS

We recognize and bless the gifts brought to the table and those given to support the mission of the church through automatic payment.

OFFERTORY *Singin' in the Rain* Asbury Choir

*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 Rev. Youngquist

*LITANY A Learned to Learner Litany of Transformation insert

*HYMN *The Trees of the Field*

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you
There'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field
will clap, will clap their hands

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands
The trees of the field will clap their hands
The trees of the field will clap their hands
while you go out with joy!

*BENEDICTION Rev. Hester

*CHORAL RESPONSE *Here I Am, Lord* Congregation

The congregation is invited to "sign" and to "sing" the following:
*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 *Make 'em Laugh* Asbury Musicians

* Please stand as you are able.

**Children are invited to attend Children's Church (1st – 5th grades)

A LEARNED TO LEARNER LITANY OF TRANSFORMATION

One: I used to be learned,
All: now I'm a learner.

One: When I was learned, life was a quiz show.
All: Now that I am a learner, life is a discovery channel.

One: When I was learned, it was a question of how much I knew.
All: Now that I'm a learner, it's a question of how much I'm being stretched.

One: When I was learned, knowledge was everything.
All: Now that I'm a learner, kindness is everything.

One: When I was learned, I used to point my finger and pontificate.
All: Now that I'm a learner, I slap my forehead all the time.

One: When I was learned, I used to think I was the best.
All: Now that I'm a learner, I do the best I can.

One: When I was learned, I loved to talk.
All: Now that I'm a learner, I'd prefer to listen, because that's when I'm learning.

One: When I was learned, I had something to teach everybody.
All: Now that I'm a learner, everybody has something to teach me.

One: When I was learned, my life revolved around what other people thought about me.
All: Now that I'm a learner, my life revolves around what I think about myself and what God thinks about me.

One: When I was learned, the power and mystery were in the big words.
All: Now that I'm a learner, the power and mystery are in the small, simple words.

One: When I was learned, I put all my trust in what I could see.
All: Now that I'm a learner, I put all my trust in God.

One: When I was learned, I knew where I was going.
**All: Now that I'm a learner, I don't know where I'm going – but I know whom I'm going with.
And this brings me joy!**

There Shall Be Showers of Blessing 580

Who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings. — Ezekiel 34:26

SHOWERS OF BLESSING
James McGranahan

Daniel W. Whittle

1 There shall be show-ers of bless-ing: This is the prom-ise of love;
2 *There shall be show-ers of bless-ing—* Pre-cious re-viv-ing a-gain;
3 There shall be show-ers of bless-ing: Send them up-on us, O Lord;
4 *There shall be show-ers of bless-ing:* O, that to-day they might fall,

1 There shall be sea-sons re-fresh-ing, Sent from the Sav-ior a-bove.
2 *O-ver the hills and the val-leys,* Sound of a-bun-dance of rain.
3 Grant to us now a re-fresh-ing, Come, and now hon-or Thy Word.
4 *Now as to God we're con-fess-ing,* Now, as on Je-sus we call!

Show - ers of bless - ing, Show-ers of bless-ing we need:

Mer-cy-drops 'round us are fall - ing, But for the show-ers we plead.