

WELCOME

We extend a cordial welcome to each person worshiping with us today. If you need any assistance, please call on our ushers. They would be glad to help you. We hope you will join us in the Social Hall after the service for our Coffee Hour. If you would like to know more about Asbury, please drop by our "Connection Corner" in the Social Hall. 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
in memory of Bob Carlyle
by Candace, Chris, Abigail, and Robbie Jenkins.**



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 - \$17,898.56

Year-to-Date Budget Need - \$159,310.19

Year-to-date Received - \$167,605.83

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
April 8, 2018
11:15 A.M.**



Breathing Room

2nd Sunday of Easter

WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE Asbury Musicians

ANNOUNCEMENTS Angie Jenkins

CHIMES Preparing hearts and minds for worship

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Sometimes believing, sometimes doubting,

All: we come to God's house.

One: Sometimes weeping, sometimes laughing,

All: we come to God's house.

One: Sometimes afraid, sometimes joyful,

All: we come to God's house.

One: However we feel, whatever has happened to us,

All: here, we are welcomed.

**On this second Sunday of Easter,
it is good to be in God's house.**

*HYMN *Christ Is Risen* No. 307

BAPTISM Ryan Charles Gage No. 44
son of Alexis & Emily Gage

HYMN *Ryan, Ryan, God Claims You* see insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Claire Marich

Silence & Reflection

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

SCRIPTURE John 20:19-31

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.

*HYMN *At the Font We Start Our Journey* see insert
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SERMON **Breathing Room** 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 *Draw the Circle Wide* 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. Marich

One: Living God, accept these gifts, and the reasons we give them:

**All: to bring purpose where there is hesitancy,
to bring courage where there is struggle,
to bring comfort where there is loss and bereavement,
to bring assurance where there is self-doubt,
to bring justice where there is oppression.**

One: These are the gifts of new life!

All: Amen.

*HYMN *He Lives* No. 310

*BENEDICTION Rev. Hester

*POSTLUDE Asbury Choir

* Those who are able, please stand.

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

A Baptism Hymn for Ryan Charles Gage

Sunday, April 8, 2018
Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church
Savannah, Georgia

God Claims You



Ry - an, Ry - an, God claims you. God



helps you, pro- tects you, and loves you, too.



1. We this day do all a - gree a
- *** 2. We your fam - ily love you so, we
3. We are here to say this day that
4. And, if you should tire or cry, then



child of God you'll al - ways be.
vow to help your faith to grow.
we will help you on your way.
we will sing this lul - la - by.

1. At the font we start our jour - ney, in the Eas - ter
2. At the pul - pit we are fash - ioned by the Eas - ter
3. At the al - tar we are nour - ished with the Eas - ter
4. At the door we are com - mis - sioned, now the Eas - ter

faith bap - tized; doubts and fears no long - er blind us,
tale re - told in - to wit - nes - ses and proph - ets,
gift of bread; in our break - ing it to piec - es
vic - tory's won, to re - store a world di - vid - ed

by the light of Christ sur - prised. Al - le - lu - ia!
by the power of Christ made bold. Al - le - lu - ia!
see the love of Christ out - spread. Al - le - lu - ia!
to the peace of Christ as one. Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Hope held out and re - al - ized.
Al - le - lu - ia! Faith pro - claimed, yet still un - told.
Al - le - lu - ia! Life em - braced, yet free - ly shed.
Al - le - lu - ia! Eas - ter's work must still be done.

WORDS: Jeffery Rowthorn (Acts 10:36-43; Col. 3:15)
MUSIC: John Goss

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