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. Please join us in the Social Hall after the service for our Coffee Hour. If you would like to know more about Asbury, drop by our "Connection Corner" in the Social Hall. We hope you have a meaningful worship experience and leave Asbury renewed, fulfilled, and challenged!

The flowers for today's service are given in memory of dear family members by Kent and Liz Urness.

Flowers are also given in memory of Janice Gantt by her 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 – \$13,170.00 Given Last Sunday – \$24,017.50 Year-to-Date Budget Need – \$210,720.00 Year-to-date Received – \$200,966.33

Billy Hester, Senior Minister Randy Canady, Church Administrator Claudette DeLong, Office Manager Candace Jenkins, Connectional Ministries Chris Kincade, Youth Leader Ray Ellis, Minister of Music Laura Angell, Youth Leader Ruthie Deffley, Family Ministries Ashley Stroud, Children Ministries Kay Deffley, Organist/Pianist

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The Lone Coyote



2nd Sunday in Easter

WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE Asbury Musicians

ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Billy Hester

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

LITANY Lord God, Early in the Morning see insert

ANTHEM Asbury Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Cale Hall

Silence & Reflection Intercessory Prayer

One: Lord, in your mercy

All: Hear our 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 He Lives No. 310

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SERMON The Lone Coyote Rev. Richard Allen

TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY Rev. Hester

*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.

Cale Hall

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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 God of Love and God of Power No. 578

*BENEDICTION Rev. Allen

*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 Asbury Musicians

^{*}Please stand as you are able.

^{**}Children are invited to attend Children's Church (1st - 5th grades)

Lord God, Early in the Morning

One: Lord God,

early in the morning, when the world was young,

you made life in all its beauty and terror;

you gave birth to all that we know.

Hallowed be your name,

All: Hallowed be your name.

One: Early in the morning, when the world least expected it, a newborn child crying in a cradle announced that you had come among us,

that you were one of us.

Hallowed be your name,

All: Hallowed be your name.

One: Early in the morning,
surrounded by respectable liars,
religious leaders,
anxious statesmen
and silent friends,
you accepted the penalty for doing good,
for being God:
you shouldered and suffered the cross.

Hallowed be your name,

All: Hallowed be your name.

One: Early in the morning,
a voice in a guarded graveyard
and footsteps in the dew
proved that you had risen,
that you had come back
to those and for those
who had forgotten, denied, and destroyed you.

Hallowed be your name,

All: Hallowed be your name.

One: This morning,
in the multi-colored company
of your Church on earth and in heaven,
we celebrate your creation, your life,
your death and resurrection,
your interest in us;
so we pray,

All: Lord, bring new life,
where we are worn and tired;
new love,
where we have turned hard-hearted;
forgiveness,
where we feel hurt
and where we have wounded;
and the joy and freedom
of your Holy Spirit,
where we are prisoners of ourselves.

One: To all and to each, on his community and on his friends, where regret is real, Jesus pronounces his pardon and grants us the right to begin again.

All: Oh! What a beautiful morning! Amen.

