WELCOME

We extend a cordial welcome to each person worshiping with us today. If you need any assistance, please call on our ushers or greeters. They would be glad to help 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 by Linda Ostrow in honor of Cab's "Angel Baby"



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 - \$10,778.75 Given Last Sunday - \$8,915.50 Year-to-Date Budget Need - \$355,702.05 Year-to-date Received - \$329,421.10

Rev. Billy Hester, Senior Minister Randy Canady, Church Administrator Laura Angell, Youth Director Detective Santana Willis, Security Ray Ellis, Minister of Music Claudette DeLong, Office Manager Ashley Stroud, Children's Programs Kay Deffley, Organist/Pianist

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Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church August 21, 2016 11:15 A.M.



Knock, Knock! Whose There?

14th Sunday after Pentecost

WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE Asbury Musicians

ANNOUNCEMENTS Kathy Hodges

CHIMES Preparing hearts and minds for worship

*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Marilyn Leigh

One: We walk this earth but a brief moment in time.

All: Let us continue to learn how to celebrate life.

One: Let us continue to grow in our capacity to love each other and ourselves.

All: Let us move forward toward the goal of achieving peace, healing and wholeness.

One: We come together on a journey of hope.

All: Where our hearts and minds are opened to the future.

One: We share our growth and aspirations

All: We share our losses and disappointments.

One: We come together in our sorrow.

All: We bring our doubts and our faith.

One: We come together as seekers.

All: This day we will think, ponder, reflect. We may cry, laugh, celebrate our loved ones and meditate. May we discover a renewed spirit of peace as we walk this journey of hope.

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

SCRIPTURE Psalm 24; Matthew 7: 7-8

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 Randy Canady, Ray Ellis

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Leigh

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 Musicians

*HYMN God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian No. 648

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INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Rev. Leigh

SERMON Knock, Knock! Rev. Bob Chvatal Who's There?

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 The Savior is Waiting

*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. Leigh

One: It is through your goodness, most graceful God, that we have become a gifted people.

All: Open us to the joy of sharing our gifts with others so that with money offered, time usefully spent, and our natural talents generously used, to further your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

*HYMN God of the Ages No. 698

*BENEDICTION Rev. Chvatal

*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 (K-3rd & 4th-6th grades)