

## WELCOME

We extend a cordial welcome to each person worshipping 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 Daniel Jenkins, brother of Amy Jenkins and uncle of Payton and David Harn. The flowers are also given in memory of all the "brothers" that served with Daniel.



### 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 - \$18,482.50  
Year-to-Date Budget Need - \$134,800.93  
Year-to-date Received - \$135,783.20

Billy Hester, Senior Minister	Ray Ellis, Minister of Music
Randy Canady, Church Administrator	Laura Angell, Youth Director
Claudette DeLong, Office Manager	Ruthie Deffley, Family Ministries
Candace Jenkins, Connectional Ministries	Ashley Stroud, Children Ministries
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Asbury Memorial  
United Methodist Church  
March 25, 2018  
11:15 A.M.



## Sharing Wakanda

## PALM SUNDAY

## WORSHIP SERVICE

We welcome you to Asbury Memorial on this Palm Sunday. We'd love for you to join us in the Palm Processional at the start of the service. If you would like to participate, please meet in the courtyard prior to the service. There, you will receive a palm and a bulletin.

### \*BLESSING OF THE PALMS & CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of our God.

**All: Blessed indeed! Hosanna in the highest!**

One: On this day, we remember Jesus entering the city of Jerusalem.  
He was welcomed with palms and shouts of praise.  
Today we begin our pilgrimage through Holy Week.  
While traveling the path of suffering, we reach out and embrace the gift of Easter – abundant life for all.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

One: As we gather together, we remember that God is here.

**All: God's Spirit is with us.**

One: Let us give thanks to our loving God.

**All: It is right to give you thanks and praise, O God,  
for the acts of love by which you have drawn us to yourself.**

One: May these palm branches signify that we are seeking to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with God.

**All: Amen.**

\*PALM PROCESSIONAL Choir & Congregation

\*HYMN *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* see insert

\*SCRIPTURE Mark 11:1-11

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Grady Mills

Silence & Reflection

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer No. 895

Choral Amen Asbury Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS Sandy McCloud

\*HYMN *Fairest Lord Jesus* No. 189

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SERMON **Sharing Wakanda** Rev. Hester

LITANY Celebrating the Ministry of Jesus see insert

### 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 *Ain't No Rock Gonna Shout for Me* 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. Mills

\*HYMN *Where He Leads Me* No. 338

### \*CLOSING LITANY

One: Follow Jesus slowly;  
follow at a donkey's pace.  
Do not forget Thursday.  
Do not run past Friday.  
Do not speed to Easter Sunday.

**All: Follow to the Temple. Follow to the upper room.  
Follow to the garden. Follow to the judgment hall.  
Follow through the city gates. Follow to the cross.**

One: Go, giving thanks that Jesus did not raise an army,  
draw a sword, or run away to safety.  
Go, giving thanks that Jesus trod the path of peaceful love to the bitter end.  
Go, in the Lord's peace.

\*BENEDICTION *The Lord's Peace* Choir  
(Following the choral benediction, please leave the sanctuary quietly and join us in the Social Hall for Coffee Hour.)

\* Please stand as you are able.

\*\* Children are invited to attend Children's Church (1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grades)

Celebrating the Ministry of Jesus

A: He is among us:  
the one who gave sight to the blind  
and insight to the close-minded;  
B: the one who gave hearing to the deaf  
and listening ears to those who heard only their own voices;  
**All: the one who made the lame walk  
and is the way, the truth, and the life.**

A: He is among us:  
the one who healed the sick  
and helped the homeless;  
B: the one who exorcized demons  
and gave new names to those  
who were known only for their problems;  
**All: the one who was criticized  
for coming too close  
to the contaminated.**

A: He is among us:  
the one who agreed with fair taxation  
and handled money;  
B: the one who spoke for the poor  
and who spoke to the privileged  
of the good things their wealth could do;  
**All: the one who entrusted himself to women  
as much as men,  
without prejudice or favor.**

A: He is among us:  
to touch, to heal,  
B: to bless, to inspire,  
A: to confront, to convert,  
B: to show at all times  
the human face of God.  
**All: He is among us.**

280 All Glory, Laud, and Honor

*Refrain*

All glo - ry, laud, and hon - or, to thee, Re-deem-er, King,

*Fine*

to whom the lips of chil - dren made sweet ho-san-nas ring.

1. Thou art the King of Is - ra - el, thou Da-vid's roy - al Son,  
2. The com-pa - ny of an - gels are prais-ing thee on high,  
3. The peo-ple of the He - brews with palms be-fore thee went;  
4. To thee, be - fore thy pas - sion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
5. Thou didst ac - cept their prais - es; ac - cept the prayers we bring,

*D.C.*

who in the Lord's name com - est, the King and Bless - ed One.  
and we with all cre - a - tion in cho - rus make re - ply.  
our prayer and praise and an - thems be - fore thee we pre - sent.  
to thee, now high ex - alt - ed, our mel - o - dy we raise.  
who in all good de - light - est, thou good and gra - cious King.