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 assist 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 in honor of Dottie Kluttz's birthday and in memory of Janice Gantt.



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 - \$10,263.77 Year-to-Date Budget Need - \$409,596.30 Year-to-date Received - \$377,611.94

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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How's Your Salt Level?

19th Sunday after Pentecost

WORSHIP SERVICE

PRELUDE Asbury Musicians

ANNOUNCEMENTS Angie Jenkins

CHIMES Preparing hearts and minds for worship

MUSIC OF PREPARATION All

Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem

Grant us peace. Grant us peace on earth, grant us peace.

Dona nobis pacem, pacem. Dona nobis pacem

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Break open our hearts this morning to hear your word, O God.

All: Let our fears be vanquished, our spirits restored!

One: Come and let us worship with great joy!

All: Let us drop the things of the past which weighed us down!

One: God is about to do something new in our lives!

All: Let God's will become strong in our lives. Amen.

*HYMN This is a Day of New Beginnings No. 383

stanzas 1-4

MUSIC Set Me as a Seal Ensemble

Silence & Reflection

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

Rev. Jan Durham

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 Matthew 5:13-20

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 Open My Eyes, That I May See No. 454

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SERMON How's Your Salt Level? Rev. 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

*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. Durham

*HYMN Are Ye Able No. 530

*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 Asbury Musicians

^{*} Please stand as you are able.

^{**}Children are invited to attend Children's Church (K-6th grades)