

Asbury United Methodist Church

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“A Church Rooted in Prayer and Sent in Love”

Fifth SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 10, 2026

WE GATHER

Prelude: How Can We Name a Love, Oh Master, Let Me Walk With Thee - Sugie Jung

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation Hymn: UMH 128 “He Leadeth Me, Oh Blessed Thought” vs. 1

Threshold Moment

L: Family of God, on our journey of faith, we are not alone—God is with us!

P: Because God is with us, we can love boldly.

L: God is with us, and God joins us with one another as the Body of Christ.

P: Because God draws us together, we can serve joyfully.

L: Through God, we work for the flourishing of self, neighbor, and all creation.

P: Because God holds us together, we can lead courageously.

L: Family of God, on this journey of faith, we are not alone—God is with us!

P: We come to worship God by boldly loving, joyfully serving, and courageously leading, that we may be disciples of Jesus Christ who transform the world. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, January 2026.

OPENING PRAYER

Holy One of mystery and power, there is no God like you in heaven above or on earth below,
keeping covenant and steadfast love with all who walk before you
with pure and upright hearts.

Fill our lives with your glory,

as you filled the temple with cloud

when Solomon first brought the ark into your holy dwelling place.

Give us the strength and the power to withstand the forces of evil

at work in our lives and in our world. Amen.

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Opening Hymn: UMH 140 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

The Peace

The peace of the risen Christ be with you.

And also with you.

I invite you to pass the peace, greeting those around you *and those at home via the cameras.*

WE PROCLAIM Exodus 1:15-21 / Judges 4:4-9 / Ephesians 6:10-13

15 The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, 16 “When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live.” 17 But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. 18 So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, “Why have you done this and allowed the boys to live?” 19 The midwives said to Pharaoh, “Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.” 20 So God dealt well with the midwives, and the people multiplied and became very strong. 21 And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families.

4 At that time Deborah, a prophet, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. 5 She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. 6 She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali and said to him, “The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, ‘Position yourself at Mount Tabor, taking ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. 7 I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin’s army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops, and I will give him into your hand.’ ” 8 Barak said to her, “If you will go with me, I will go, but if you will not go with me, I will not go.” 9 And she said, “I will surely go with you; nevertheless, the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the Lord will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman.” Then Deborah got up and went with Barak to Kedesh.

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power; 11 put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil, 12 for our[a] struggle is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present[b] darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on the evil day and, having prevailed against everything, to stand firm.

Choir Anthem: For the Beauty of the Earth

Sermon “Lead Courageously” Rev. Yohan Go

WE RESPOND

Hymn: (UMH 186 Alleluia) Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

Prayers of the People Rev. Yohan Go
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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Offering/Offertory: The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Doxology

[Tune: Old 100th]

**Praise God, Creator of us all,
Praise Christ, by whom we hear our call,
Praise Spirit, that which sets us free,
Our awe is yours, the One-in-Three.**

Offering Prayer Rev. Yohan Go

Faithful God, you are our strength and our shield, our guide through seasons of uncertainty. You promise never to leave us nor forsake us, and in that promise, we find courage. As Joshua stepped forward in faith and as your people put on the armor of light, so we bring these gifts with boldness—offering not only what is in our hands, but also what is in our hearts. Use them, and us, to build your kingdom with justice and grace. Clothe us with truth, guard us with peace, and send us forward, leading courageously in your name. Amen.

Closing Hymn: UMH 130 “God Will Take Care of You”

Sending Forth **Rev. Yohan Go**

May God bless you with the wisdom to notice the needs of your neighbors, the inspiration to know how to act, and the courage to lead the way in working for justice and flourishing for all God’s creation. Amen.

Postlude: “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” Sugie Jung

Announcements

1. The worship leader for Sunday, May 17th is Barbara Bishop.
2. The deadline for ordering Memorial Day plants is May 13th.
3. **Farewell Dinner - Sunday, June 14th from 5-7pm. Asbury United Methodist Church, 143 Ann Mary Brown Dr., Warwick, RI, 02888. Please contact Debbie Rose for potluck dinner details**
 - Please consider some known food allergies - gluten, egg
 - Vegetarian options are encouraged

Please see Diane Newman-Goins for gift donation

Birthdays

- 10th Brian McGovern & Greg Rowe
11th Deb Drury
12th Marian Styles-McClintock
13th Danielle Lucini

Flowers The flowers on the altar this week are given to the glory of God and in honor of Mother's Day.