

Asbury United Methodist Church

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Worship Leader: Carl Bishop

Chancel: Becky Arnold

* Please rise in body or in spirit

Gathering Song “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

Hanna Noh

Greeting

Asbury Mission Statement

We are Asbury! Abundantly thankful to God; Saved by Christ’s resurrection; Blessed by God; United by Christ’s love for each of us; Reaching out to our church family and our community; Yearning to tell the Good News to all by being Christ’s voice, hands, and feet in the world.

Announcements

Centering hymn: “TFWS 2011 We Sing of your Glory” vs. 1 x2

***Call to Worship**

L: People of God, welcome! Surely God is in this place!

P: We come to worship and to rest in God’s presence.

L: Breathe deep for the goodness of God surrounds us.

P: The Holy One who sustains the universe is near.

L: When we are tired, worn down, and carrying heavy burdens, God is with us.

P: God strengthens us that we might help carry one another’s burdens.

L: So, let us join together in wonder and thanksgiving for God’s love that lifts us up on wings like eagles.

P: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2023.

Opening Hymn: “UMH 364 Because He Lives vs. 1, 3

*** Sharing Passing the Peace of Christ Among Us**

Choir “God is so Good”

Scripture Reading:

Mark 1:29-39

1:29 As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

1:30 Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once.

1:31 He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

1:32 That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons.

1:33 And the whole city was gathered around the door.

1:34 And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

1:35 In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed.

1:36 And Simon and his companions hunted for him.

1:37 When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you."

1:38 He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do."

1:39 And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Songs of Illumination UMH#454 Open My Eyes, That I May See vs1
Open my eyes that I may see / glimpses of truth thou hast for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Sermon: Happy Church Rev. Yohan Go

Response Song: "UMH 89 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" vs. 1

Joy and Concerns

Hymn: (UMH 186 Alleluia) Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia x 2

Pastoral prayer 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.

Respond song: Hear our prayer O Lord

Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord; Incline Thine ear to us, And grant us Thy peace.

Offering Invitation

Interlude "We Will Keep Our Faith Alive!" Hanna Noh

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Jesus Christ, our burdens know, Praise Spirit through whom our hearts grow, Praise Three-in-One, from here below.

Offering prayer Rev. Yohan Go

Hymn: (UMH#620) "One Bread One Body" vs. 1

Holy Communion

* **Closing hymns:** "W&S 3095 Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door" vs. 1, 3

Benediction Rev. Yohan Go

* **Prayer for peace through hymn UMH #431 "Let There Be Peace on Earth"**

Postlude "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" Hanna Noh

Announcements

1. Sign up for the Lenten book study: "The Third Day: Living the Resurrection" by Tom Berlin and Mark A. Miler.
Tuesday Group: Starting from February 27th at 10 a.m. in the pastor's office.
Wednesday Group: Starting from February 21st at 10 a.m. in the library.
2. Ash Wednesday Joint Worship service will be held at Asbury at 7 p.m. on Feb. 14.
3. "Please join the gospel reading throughout the Lenten season: Matthew, Mark, and John. The reading schedule will be shared."

Birthdays

5th James Keene, 5th Allen Lucini

6th Danika Hallam, 6th Michael Whitney

10th James Rison

Flowers

The flowers on the altar this week are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of R. Graham and Elizabeth Bosworth to honor their 89th wedding anniversary by their daughter Joyce B. Moore.