

# *Asbury United Methodist Church*

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Transfiguration Sunday

Worship Leader: Alice Pace

Chancel: Shirley Keene

\* Please rise in body or in spirit

**Gathering Song**      “Morning Has Broken”

**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.

**Centering hymn**      “Open the Eyes of My Heart” (W&S 3008) vs. 1, repeat once

**\*Call to Worship**

L: The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

**P: Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth** (Psalm 50:1-2).

L: God’s glory fills the earth, but sometimes we, like Elisha, do not think we are ready to encounter glory.

**P: And yet, God’s glory showed up anyway.**

L: Sometimes we are like the disciples who witnessed Jesus’ transfiguration and wanted to cling to that one glorious moment.

**P: And yet, God called them down from the mountain.**

L: So, we gather today, some of us feeling ready and some of us feeling wholly unprepared, yet all are called together to worship and to be led by glory out into the world.

**P: God, may we perceive your glory all around us, pointing us in the way you would have us go. Amen.**

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

**Opening Hymn:**      “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus” (TFWS 2129) vs. 1,2,3

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

**Choir** “How Marvelous! How Wonderful”

**Scripture Reading:** Mark 9:2-9

**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:** Where Heaven and Earth Meet Rev. Yohan Go

**Response Song:** “It Is Well with My Soul” (UMH 377) 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** “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

Instrumentation: Cuatro by Carlos Capacho, Piano by 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

\* **Closing hymn:** “Lord, I Lift Your Name on High” (TFWS 2088) x2

**Benediction** Rev. Yohan Go

**\* Prayer for peace through hymn UMH #431 “Let There Be Peace on Earth”**

**Postlude** “We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations”     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. You can pick up the reading schedule at the narthex."
4. Chancel Guild will be decorating for Lent today, Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> after church.
5. Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> Worship Leader - Lee Arnold.

**Birthdays**

12<sup>th</sup> Linda Quinn

16<sup>th</sup> Jane Gilman & Andrea Dunn

17<sup>th</sup> Nancy Kennedy

**Flowers**     *The flowers on the altar this week are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Barbara A. Cole.*