

Asbury United Methodist Church

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Worship Leader: Dixon Disu

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* Please rise in body or in spirit

“Thanksgiving Sunday”

WE GATHER

Prelude “How Great Thou Art” Hanna Noh

Welcome and Announcements

***Opening praise** UMH 144 “This Is My Father’s World” vs. 1 & 3
TFWS 2070 “He Is Exalted” sing twice

Threshold Moment

Leader: Rejoice in God always—again I say, rejoice!
Come, people of God, with open hands and open hearts.

People: We come hungry for the things that truly satisfy—
not the things that fade, but the grace that endures.

Leader: Jesus says, *“I am the bread of life.”*
Whoever comes to Christ will never be hungry;
whoever believes will never be thirsty.

People: We come seeking the life Christ offers—
a life of joy, gentleness, gratitude, and peace.

Leader: Today we remember God’s faithfulness,
we celebrate God’s generosity among us,
and we lift our hearts in thanksgiving.

People: With grateful spirits, we worship the One who fills us with abundant life.
Thanks be to God!

Opening Prayer

Let us pray together:

Gracious God, On this Thanksgiving Sunday, we come with hearts full of gratitude. You are the One who gives us the bread of life— the grace that satisfies our deepest hunger and the love that quenches every thirst.

We confess that we often chase after things that cannot bring lasting joy. Yet You call us back to what is true, what is honorable, just, pure, and lovely. You teach us a new appetite— a hunger for compassion, justice, mercy, and service. Thank You for the ways Your Spirit is at work in our church: in quiet acts of care, in generosity that overflows, in ministries that feed our neighbors, and in every person who chooses love over fear.

As we give thanks for daily bread, give us the mind of Christ and the peace that guards our hearts. May our lives reflect Your abundance and our gratitude become a blessing to others. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Bread of Life.
Amen.

***Passing the Peace**

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].

Children's time

Patricia Smith-Disu

Response song TFWS # 2056 God Is So Good

Open Mic of Gratitude

Choir Anthem "Thanksgiving" A Medley of Hymns

Scripture reading John 6:25–35 / Philippians 4:4–9

25 When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" 26 Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate your fill of the loaves. 27 Do not work for the food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." 28 Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" 29 Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." 30 So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us, then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? 31 Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' " 32 Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." 34 They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." 35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5 Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about[c] these things. 9 As for the things that you have learned and received and heard and noticed in me, do them, and the God of peace will be with you.

Thanksgiving message

Abundant Life in Christ

Pastor Yohan Go

Response Hymn TFWS 2088 “Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”

WE RESPOND

Offering/Offertory “Show the Way” by David Wilcox (Alice Pace & Ned Quist)

***Kids will collect the baskets while we sing together**

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

Closing Hymn UMH 89 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” vs. 1 & 4

Sending Forth

Rev. Yohan Go

Postlude “Since Jesus Came Into My Heart” Hanna Noh

Announcements

1. Next Sunday’s Worship Leader is Jan Jones.
2. The Advent book study begins on Dec. 2 (Tuesday Book Group) and Dec. 3 (Wednesday Book Group). We will read *A Child Is Born* by Amy-Jill Levine. See Pastor Yohan.
3. Tuesday, Nov. 25 is the deadline for submitting newsletter articles.
4. November is our Thanksgiving Month. Throughout the month, we are collecting hats, mittens, and socks for those in need. Please bring your donations and place them in the baskets.
5. The Christmas Family Concert at Haven UMC will be on Sunday, December 7, at 3pm. This year's concert will benefit House of Hope, a local organization that works to eliminate homelessness in our communities. There will be performances featuring a

variety of instruments, as well as beautiful ensemble and choral pieces. Help us fill the pews and support this incredible organization as it works with some of the most vulnerable in our community.

6. Saturday, December 6th from 9AM to 2PM is Open Table of Christ UMC'S Holiday Bazaar. Located at 1520 Broad St. Providence RI. Santa Claus will be there from 10 AM-12 Noon. They have a craft table for kids, a bake sale, holiday treasures, and a wish table. They also offer lunch for \$10.00 from 11am-1pm, sandwiches, salads, dessert and beverages.

Birthdays

- 24th Rev. John Holt
25th Charles H. Edwards
26th Matt Diffley & Elizabeth Anne (Lech) Cintolo

Flowers The flowers on the altar this week are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Our Mother, Olive W. Spear and Verna F. Arnold by Becky & Lee, and the Arnold Family.