

Asbury United Methodist Church

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* Please rise in body or in spirit

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Education Sunday (Third SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST)
June 9, 2024

Gathering Song “God is So Good” 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 2068 “I Love You Lord” vs. 1, x2

Call to Worship

L: Some of us come today with hearts weighed down with anxiety, fear, despair, and hurt.
Together we cling to this truth:

P: God’s steadfast love endures forever.

L: Some of us come today with hearts that feel light with relief, joy, comfort, and gratitude.
Together we cling to this truth:

P: God’s steadfast love endures forever.

L: Some of us come today not knowing what we think about God, confused and disappointed that the world God made is so full of evils of every kind. Together we cling to this truth:

P: God’s steadfast love endures forever.

L: Be with us, God, in all that we bring with us, as we gather to encounter your unchanging love.

P: We come today to enter the dance of the Trinity who is immutable in love. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, February 2024.

Opening Hymn: UMH 526 “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” vs. 1,3,4

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

Celebration of Education Achievements

Blessings for Sunday school kids and presentation of gifts

Choir “This Little Light of Mine” Special guest: Children choir (Ben, Eva, and Estelle)
with Carlos Capacho (bass guitar)

Scripture Reading: *1 Samuel 8:4-20*

8:4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, 8:5 and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." 8:6 But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the LORD, 8:7 and the LORD said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. 8:8 Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. 8:9 Now then, listen to their voice; only--you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them." 8:10 So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. 8:11 He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; 8:12 and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. 8:13 He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. 8:14 He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. 8:15 He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. 8:16 He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. 8:17 He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. 8:18 And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day." 8:19 But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, 8:20 so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles."

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: Be Responsible Citizens of God's Kin-dom *Rev. Yohan Go*

Response Song: UMH 405 “Seek Ye First” vs. 1

Joy and Concerns

Hymn: (UMH 186 Alleluia) Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

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.

Offering Invitation

Interlude "Jesus Loves Me" – Asbury Sunday School with Estelle Choi (violin), Frank Rose (recorder), Carlos Capacho (bass guitar)

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 hymns:** UMH 569 "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" vs. 1,3,4

Benediction Rev. Yohan Go

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

Postlude "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" Hanna Noh

Announcements

1. Education Sunday is today, June 9th. We will celebrate achievements of all students.
2. Father's Day is Sunday, June 16th. Kerri and Samantha Dorsey will be collecting names of the special man in your lives **from now until June 9th**. Each name costs \$1.00. Please mark anyone who is deceased with an asterisk *.
3. A joint Vacation Bible School will be held from June 28 (Friday)-30(Sunday). Half day (Friday, Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; Sunday from 9:30) Any help and/or donation will be greatly appreciated.
4. The New England Annual Conference will be held from June 19 to 22nd.
5. Sunday, June 16th worship leader - Carl Bishop Jr.

Birthdays

9th Marlow Whitham

10th Dick White & Edith French

11th Eva Marie McGovern

12th Timmy Anderson

13th Allison Keene

Flowers

Flower wishes for my beloved family for enduring health and boundless happiness. For Mom Myungae Hwang, Dad Sangho Noh, Brother Joseph Noh, Sister-in law Hyelim Oh, Nephew Young-gwang Noh, Niece Bit-na Noh, my husband Carlos Capacho, and my daughter Grace, by Hanna Noh.