Asbury United Methodist Church

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Worship Leader: Marian Styles-McClintock Chancel: Shirley Keene

* Please rise in body or in spirit

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 22, 2024

Gathering Song "This is My Father's World"

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" x 1

* Call to Worship

Leader: We gather today, invited into a new way of life.

People: We no longer live like we used to, stuck in empty thinking and closed hearts. Leader: We've learned a better way in Christ, the One who brings us truth and renewal.

People: We leave behind our old, broken ways and step into the freedom Christ gives.

Leader: In Christ, we are made new, renewed in the spirit of our minds.

People: We put on our new selves, reflecting God's true righteousness and holiness.

All: Let's worship the God who transforms us and gives us new life! Amen.

Opening Hymn UMH 130 "God Will Take Care of You" vs. 2, 4

* Sharing Passing the Peace of Christ Among Us

Choir Anthem "The Power of Your Love"

Scripture Reading Ephesians 4:17-24

¹⁷ Now this I affirm and insist on in the Lord: you must no longer walk as the gentiles walk, in the futility of their minds; ¹⁸ they are darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of their ignorance and hardness of heart. ¹⁹ They have lost all sensitivity and have abandoned themselves to licentiousness, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. ²⁰ That is not the way you learned Christ! ²¹ For surely you have heard about him and were taught in him, as truth is in Jesus, ²² to put away your former way of life, your old self, corrupt and deluded by its

lusts, ²³ and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴ and to clothe yourselves with the new self, created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

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 The Old Way Has to Go Rev. Yohan Go

Response Song TFWS 2088 "Lord, I Lift Your Name on High" x1

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 "Give Thanks" 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 Hymns UMH 156 "I Love to Tell the Story" vs. 1, 3

Benediction Rev. Yohan Go

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

Postlude Majesty, Worship His Majesty" Hanna Noh

Announcements

- 1. Sign up to help Asbury with our bazaar on Nov. 2. Contact Andrea Dunn for more information. 401-207- 8017 email: dunnansmed@hotmail.com
- 2. The worship leader for next Sunday, September 29th is Dixon Disu.
- 3. Please mark your calendars for Bazaar bread baking October 23-26, Wednesday through Saturday. I appreciate any time you can offer. Thank you, Barbara Bishop 787-7518.
- 4. No More Hunger Walk. To Benefit Local Food Pantries. Organized By: Concordia Center for spiritual Living; Lakewood Baptist Church; St. Mark's Episcopal Church; Woodbury Union Church, Presbyterian; Saturday, October 19th 2024 Rain or Shine; Registration starts at 9 AM- Walk begins at 10 AM; Route begins at ST. MARK'S (111 West Shore Rd., Warwick, RI) to Donovan Park and back. Approximately 2.5 miles or 1 hour walking time, round trip; feel free to only walk halfway! See your team leader to sign up!
- 5. The next Christmas Bazaar Meeting will be at Asbury on October 6th at 10:45AM
- 6. The Finance Committee is meeting today, September 22nd after worship service.

Birthdays

23rd Heidi Bradbury & Trisha Smith-Disu

Flowers

The flowers on the altar this week are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of F. Stephen Zubyk, Helen Dailey, and Dianne Werner by Janet Ward and Family.