

Asbury United Methodist Church

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* Please rise in body or in spirit

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 29, 2024

Gathering Song “Christ Beside Me”

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 2062 “The Lily of the Valley” vs. 1

* Call to Worship

Leader: Beloved, let us come together as children of light, For we are called to be imitators of God, walking in love.

People: We come, seeking to reflect God's light in a world filled with shadows.

Leader: Awake, O sleeper! Rise from your slumber, And Christ will shine on you.

People: We wake from our sleep, ready to live in the light of Christ.

Leader: Let us leave behind what is hidden in darkness, And step boldly into the light that reveals all truth.

People: We come, open to the Spirit’s call, ready to follow where God leads.

Leader: Let us worship with hearts that seek to imitate God, Living as children of light, walking in love and truth.

All: With grateful hearts, we worship the One who calls us to wake up and shine!

Opening Hymn UMH 77 “How Great Thou Art” vs. 1, 4

* Sharing Passing the Peace of Christ Among Us

Choir Anthem “Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

Scripture Reading Ephesians 5:1-14

5 ¹ Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ² and walk in love, as Christ loved us[ⓐ] and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.³ But sexual immorality and impurity of any kind or greed must not even be mentioned among you, as is proper among saints. ⁴ Entirely out of place is obscene, silly, and vulgar talk; but instead, let there be thanksgiving. ⁵ Be sure of this, that no sexually immoral or impure person or one who is greedy (that is, an idolater) has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. ⁶ Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes on those who are disobedient.[ⓑ] ⁷ Therefore do not be associated with them, ⁸ for once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light, ⁹ for the fruit of the light[ⓐ] is found in all that is good and right and true. ¹⁰ Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹ Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them. ¹² For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly, ¹³ but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴ for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says “Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

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 Wake Up from Your Sleep! Rev. Yohan Go

Response Song UMH 496 “Sweet Hour of Prayer” 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 Special Music by Carlos Capacho

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 462 “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” vs. 1,3,4

Benediction Rev. Yohan Go

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

Postlude “He Is Exalted” 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, October 6th is Kerri Dorsey.
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. Basket Boutique Seeks Donations. When you’re beginning your fall cleaning, please keep the Asbury UMC Bazaar’s “Basket Boutique” in mind. Small, unused items as well as baskets and containers (medium sized preferred) are in high demand. “Hostess” type gifts, cooking and sweet treats remain popular each year. Please try to keep your costs down by utilizing the various dollar or job lot stores in our area as the most popular baskets are in the \$12-\$15 range.
7. Our Jewelry table is seeking jewelry donations for our November 2nd bazaar. For questions or pick-up call Joyce Moore at 401-737-6311 or the office at 401-467-5122.

Birthdays

September 30th Carol Pace

October 5th Becky Arnold

Flowers

The flowers on the altar this week are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Matilde Streusl by her loving family.