

# Asbury United Methodist Church

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\* Please rise in body or in spirit

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 1, 2024

**Gathering Song**      “Day by Day”      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 2210 “Joy Comes with the Dawn” vs. 3

### \* Call to Worship

1 Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;  
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

2 Let us come before him with thanksgiving  
and extol him with music and song.

**All: We come to worship God.**

3 For the Lord is the great God,  
the great King above all gods.

4 In his hand are the depths of the earth,  
and the mountain peaks belong to him.

5 The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands formed the dry land.

**All: We come to worship God.**

6 Come, let us bow down in worship,  
let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;

7 for he is our God  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
the flock under his care.

**All: God, our creator and sustainer. We are yours and we worship you.**

*By Timo Scharnowski*

Opening Hymn      UMH 89 “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

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

### **Scripture Reading** Philippians 3:12-14

Romans 15:13 ~ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

Romans 12:12 ~ Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.

Philippians 4:4 ~ Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.

James 1:2 ~ Count it all joy, my brothers, when you meet trials of various kinds,

Galatians 5:22 ~ But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

John 16:24 ~ Until now you have asked nothing in my name. Ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full.

Proverbs 17:22 ~ A joyful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.

Philippians 2:1-2

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind

### **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!

**Choir Anthem:** "Fanfare and Concertato on Holy, Holy, Holy"

**Sermon** "Is It Happiness or Joy"

**Response Song** TFWS 2284 "Joy in the Morning"

### **Joys and Concerns**

**Hymn:** (UMH 186 Alleluia) Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia Alleluia

### **Pastoral prayer**

May we rejoice always, may we pray continually, and let us give thanks in all circumstances; for this is your will for us in Christ Jesus. We celebrate the gift of today; help us to let go of disappointments of the past and trust you with our future. We know joy because we know you.

### **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)** 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 617 “I Come With Joy” vs. 1,4,5

**Benediction**              Rev. Yohan Go

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

**Postlude**            “How Great Thou Art”      Hanna Noh

### **Announcements**

1. Asbury UMC has collected school supplies for kids and will deliver them to schools in early September. Thank you for helping our neighbors.
2. If you know of someone in need of a meal, please contact Jan Jones, (486-5449) Eric Jones (595-4768) or Linc Smith (263-8245) from Lakewood Baptist. A number of single serving containers of American Chop Suey and chicken soup have been prepared and are located in the freezer at Lakewood Baptist. Feel free to share as long as supply lasts.
3. The worship leader for Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> is Jan Jones.
4. September 8 is rally day. Sunday School will resume, and coffee hour fellowship will return! Let's gather in faith and fellowship as the fall season is almost upon us!
5. Sign up to help Asbury with our bazaar on Nov. 2. Contact Andrea Dunn for more information. 401-207-8017 email: [dunnansmed@hotmail.com](mailto:dunnansmed@hotmail.com)
6. The Wednesday morning ladies book group will return to the church library on Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am. We will be discussing our summer read, Solito. All are welcome. If interested or want to know more about us, please call Joan White 401-499-1280 or Jan Jones 401-486-5449.

### **Birthdays**

- 1st      Rev. Juhee Lee & Eric Jones  
2<sup>nd</sup>      Ella Harrell & Peter Lang  
5<sup>th</sup>      Greg Jacobson  
7<sup>th</sup>      Andy Lucini

**Flowers**            *The flowers on the altar this week are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Alice and Robert Willoughby, parents of Linda Mills, by the Mills Family, Lee, Christina, Leslee & Tyler.*