

Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church

January 17, 2021

Human Relations Sunday

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Community Worship Online and in the Sanctuary

Prelude and Ringing of the Bell

Introit: "Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart"

Call to Worship

As we are gathered, Jesus is here,
One with each other, Jesus is here.
Joined by the Spirit, washed in the blood,
Part of the body, the church of God,
As we are gathered, Jesus is here.
One with each other, Jesus is here.

Hymn # 454 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

1. 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!

2. Open my ears, that I may hear
voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wavenotes fall on my ear,
everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!

3. Open my mouth, and let me bear
gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare
love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Gloria Patri #70

♪ Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end.
Amen. Amen. ♪

Announcements and January Bread Tin Offering for Camp Tekoa
Special Music

Prayer for Illumination:

Lord, we pray not for tranquility, nor that our tribulations may cease, we pray for thy spirit and thy love, that thou grant us strength and grace to overcome adversity, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Scripture..... 1 Samuel 3: 1-10

1 Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. 2 At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; 3 the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. 4 Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!"^[a] and he said, "Here I am!" 5 and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. 6 The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. 8 The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. 9 Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place. 10 Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

Anthem..... "Be Thou My Vision" (Asbury Quartet)

Scripture..... John 1: 43-51 (NRSV)

43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." 46 Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." 49 Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." 51 And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you,^[m] you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Sermon: "Are You Listening?"
Prayers of the People

The 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, and the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

Offering and Doxology #95

♪Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen ♪

Hymn # 419, verses 1, 2, 3 “I Am Thine, O Lord”

1. I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice,
and it told thy love to me;
but I long to rise in the arms of faith
and be closer drawn to thee.

Refrain:

*Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
to the cross where thou hast died.
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord,
to thy precious, bleeding side.*

2. Consecrate me now to thy service, Lord,
by the power of grace divine;
let my soul look up with a steadfast hope,
and my will be lost in thine.
(Refrain)

3. O the pure delight of a single hour
that before thy throne I spend,
when I kneel in prayer, and with thee, my God,
I commune as friend with friend!
(Refrain)

Benediction

Postlude

Notices:

To the Asbury Memorial UMC Congregation:

Thank you.

Thank you for the invitation to return to AMUMC for this interim appointment.

Thank you for the warm welcome back.

Thank you for the lovely 'picnic basket'. Corey and I enjoyed the delicious lunch on Sunday and even had leftovers for additional meals. The container (not a true picnic basket) is perfect for carrying loads to and from the car or work or even to church. I put it to use Monday morning to carry a bunch of blankets for an outdoor Lectio-Divine group that I lead at Givens Estates, it was the perfect size. I look forward to being in ministry with each of you and this great church.

With deep gratitude,

Sallyanne

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Connie writes: Many thanks to Asbury members for the generous Love Offering given at Christmas. It will be shared with my son, Michael, for his engineering work on all of our special music. We so appreciate the support from the Chancel Choir and all their hard work.

Blessings to you all, Connie Kilpatrick

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Prayers for

Mike Rice

Elaine's friend Dan

Eve Bridger's father

Georgia Carr (Mardy and Suelane's mother)

Family and friends of Ray Hardee