

Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church

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Pastor: Sallyanne McVay

Worship Leader: Ellen Banks

February 28, 2021

Community Worship Online and in the Sanctuary

Prelude: “I Saw the Cross of Jesus” and Ringing of the Bell

Introit: The Lord is in His Holy
Temple

Call to Worship:

Pilgrims, we are invited to journey through the season of Lent towards the One who calls us each by a new name. Disciples, we walk with Jesus wherever He leads us, pulling our fears, our doubts, our longings behind us. Believers, we seek to trust God who always surprises us, whose promises take on flesh and blood in the good news called Jesus. May this journey be a blessed one. Amen

*Hymn: #139, verses 1 and 5 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1. Praise to the Lord,
the Almighty, the King of creation.
O my soul, praise him,
for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
now to his temple draw near;
join me in glad adoration!

5. Praise to the Lord!
O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath,
come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
gladly forever adore him.

* The Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* 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 Bread Tin Offering for Transformation Village

(Transformation Village is ABCCM's vision of taking every single woman, mom with children and intact family off the street or out of a car.)

Prayer for Illumination:

Almighty God, in the hearing of your word and by the prayer and discipline of Lent, may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings and, by following in His way, come to share in His glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Scripture: Genesis 17: 1-7

1 When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said to him, "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. 2 And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous." 3 Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, 4 "As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 5 No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham: for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. 6 I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. 7 I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.

A Time for the Children

Anthem: My Tribute sung by Scott Glenn

Scripture: Mark 8:31-38

31 Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." 34 He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 35 For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. 36 For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? 37 Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? 38 Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Sermon: Deny Yourself

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.

*Hymn: #534 Be Still, My Soul

- 1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side.
 Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
 leave to your God to order and provide;
 in every change God faithful will remain.
 Be still, my soul: your best, your heavenly friend
 through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

- 2. Be still, my soul: your God will undertake
 to guide the future, as in ages past.
 Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
 all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
 Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
 the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt below.

- 3. Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
 when we shall be forever with the Lord,
 when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
 sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
 Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
 all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Benediction

Postlude: Go Forth in Triumph

*Please stand as you are able.

Notices

AMUMC Lay Leadership Committee met on Sunday, Feb. 21. Some of you have received or will be receiving calls soon to consider leadership positions for the coming years. Please be in prayer about how you would like to be serving God through Asbury Memorial's ministries. If you would like to volunteer for ministry or a leadership position, feel free to contact one of the members of the committee. Serving on the committee are Merritt Moseley, John Stewart, your Lay Leader Ellen Banks and your pastor Sallyanne Irwin McVay.

Easter flowers

If you would like to place a lily in church for Easter April 4th, please have orders by Friday March 26 so we may place this special list in the Easter Sunday bulletin. You may specify

In Honor of: Name
In Memory of: Name
By: Your Name

Gift Total \$

Prayers:

Prayers are requested for **Brenda Hutchins** for the loss of her sister, Peggy, who died February 11. She lived in Thaxted, England (Essex). Her memorial service will be held March 1.