

Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church

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Pastor Sallyanne McVay

Worship Leader: Elaine Poovey

Community Worship Online and in the Sanctuary

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Choral Introit ..... Lead Me, Lord

Call to Worship:

*Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all the earth: make a loud noise, and rejoice, and sing praise. Sing unto the Lord with the harp; with the harp and the voice of a psalm; With trumpets and sound of cornet make a joyful noise before the Lord, the King. (Psalm 98:4-6)*

\*Hymn: .....#73 O Worship the King, verses 1, 4 & 5

\*Apostles Creed # 881, United Methodist Hymnal

\*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 The Crossnore School and Children's Home

Prayer for Illumination:

*God our helper, by your Holy Spirit,  
open our minds,  
that as the Scriptures are read  
and your Word is proclaimed,  
we may be led into your truth  
and taught your will,  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

Scripture: Acts 1:1-11

*1 In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning  
2 until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy  
Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. 3 After his suffering he presented himself alive to  
them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the  
kingdom of God. 4 While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to  
wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me;  
5 for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days  
from now." 6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when*

you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." 9 When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10 While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. 11 They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

A Time for the Children

Anthem ..... Holy, Holy Ground

Scripture: Luke 24: 44-53

44 Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, 46 and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." 50 Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. 51 While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. 52 And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; 53 and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

Sermon ..... Guessing Game

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 .....#534 Be Still, My Soul

Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able.

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Mission Statement:

Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church exists to  
Inspire Christian discipleship in others and ourselves  
Reach out to others in love and service  
Create opportunities for personal spiritual growth  
Celebrate God's love through worship

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Be a creative, supportive fellowship