

# Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church

September 12, 2021

16th Sunday After Pentecost



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## Reconciling Statement

of Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church  
Asheville, NC

This committed congregation of The United Methodist Church welcomes people of every race, nationality, age, sex, socio-economic status, ability, marital status or family structure, sexual orientation, gender identity, previous or no faith experience, and those of differing viewpoints. And, we are working to move The United Methodist Church as a whole to do the same.

# Order of Worship

Ringling of the Bell

Prelude & Lighting of the Candles

“Savior Like a Shepard Lead Us”- Bradbury

Ringling of The Church Bell

Choral Introit

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

Welcome & Announcements

Call To Worship

Leader: We can trust God.

**People: God is like the mountain: rock solid.**

Leader: God loves all the people:

**People: the poor, the disabled, the outcast, the stranger.**

Leader: We can depend on God.

**People: God feeds the hungry, heals the sick, and restores relationships.**

Leader: Praise our Loving God.

**People: Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Hallelujah.**

Opening Hymn # 451

“Be Thou My Vision”

Anthem

“Come to the Table of Grace” - Angerman & Nolan

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

Doxology

**♪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**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing The Peace of Christ & Bread Tin Offering

*Please place special offering in bread tin at the front of the sanctuary.  
September offerings support Project Agape. See announcements for more details.*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Matthew 4:1-11 (New Living Translation)

**4** Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil.

**2** For forty days and forty nights he fasted and became very hungry.

**3** During that time the devil came and said to him,  
“If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become loaves of bread.”

**4** But Jesus told him, “No! The Scriptures say,  
‘People do not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

**5** Then the devil took him to the holy city, Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple, **6** and said, “If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say,  
‘He will order his angels to protect you.  
And they will hold you up with their hands  
so you won’t even hurt your foot on a stone.’”

**7** Jesus responded, “The Scriptures also say, ‘You must not test the Lord your God.’”

**8** Next the devil took him to the peak of a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. **9** “I will give it all to you,” he said, “if you will kneel down and worship me.”

**10** “Get out of here, Satan,” Jesus told him. “For the Scriptures say,  
‘You must worship the Lord your God  
and serve only him.’”

**11** Then the devil went away, and angels came and took care of Jesus.

Sermon

“The Clarity of Courage”

Holy Communion

- Invitations To The Table -  
- Confession & Pardon (Page 12) -  
- The Great Thanksgiving (Page 13) -

Closing Hymn #382

“Have Thine Own Way, Lord”

Benediction

Choral Response

“Be Strong and Take Courage” -Moen

Be strong and take courage, do not fear or be dismayed.  
For the Lord will go before you, and His light will show the way.  
Be strong and take courage, do not fear or be dismayed.  
For the one who lives within you, will be strong in you today.

Postlude

“Joy in My Soul” -Hayes

## THIS WEEK AT ASBURY

### Sunday, September 12

11:00 am-Worship [Sanctuary]  
 5:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]  
 7:00 pm- Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]

### Monday

7:00 am- Emmaus Group-Men [Choir Room]  
 3:00 pm- Emmaus Group-Women [Choir Room]

### Tuesday

### Wednesday

*Weekly Word Deadline 9:00 a.m.*

7:00 pm-Choir Practice [Choir Room]  
 7:00 pm-Narcotics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]

### Thursday

### Friday

7:00 pm-Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]

### Saturday

### Sunday, July 25

10:00 am-Worship [Sanctuary]  
 5:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]  
 7:00 pm- Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]

## STAY CONNECTED

### - PASTOR JEFF OFFICE HOURS -

Tuesdays: 10am -Noon & 1:30 - 5:00pm

Thursdays: 10am -Noon & 1:30 - 3:30pm

If you would like to setup a meeting with Pastor Jeff during office hours or outside of office hours, feel free to email him at [jmccumber@wnccumc.net](mailto:jmccumber@wnccumc.net)

Judi will be in and out of the office next week as she has friends visiting from Germany.

If you need her for anything, please send an email to [churchoffice@asburymethodist.org](mailto:churchoffice@asburymethodist.org).

### - THE WEEKLY WORD -

The Weekly Word is a publication sent out every Wednesday with more detailed information on upcoming events, news, and important information. If you would like to be included in The Weekly Word or have information to share, please email [churchoffice@asburymethodist.org](mailto:churchoffice@asburymethodist.org)

Deadline for sending information is Wed. by 9am.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### - BREAD TIN FOR SEPTEMBER -

Our September Bread Tin recipient is Project Agape, a ministry to Armenia and to some of our most desperate Christian brothers and sisters. It is a collaborative effort of the North Carolina and the Western North Carolina Conferences of The United Methodist Church in a joint effort with the Armenian Apostolic Church.

### - PRAYER REQUESTS-

Please remember the family of Scott Lunsford, who died Saturday from COVID.

Please keep Fred Sibley in your prayers. His mother passed away Tuesday.

### -PRAISES-

While we lost Connie Kilpatrick as our music director, she officially joined Asbury today.

Volunteer Schedules

	This Week September 12, 2021	Next Week September 19, 2021
Counting Team	Elaine Poovey Scott Glenn	SueLane Muesing Merritt Moseley
Lock-up Volunteer	Mark Smith P Cynthia Stewart A	Mark Smith P Cynthia Stewart A
Greeters	Phil Roach Linda Roach	Mardy Murphy Diane Arnold
Sanctuary Stewards	Madeline Mosely Elaine Poovey	Laurel Bishop Kathy Robinson
Nursery and Children's Church Workers	Lila Thomas -C Maggie Harvin-N	Lila Thomas -C Maggie Harvin-N
Ushers	Phil Roach Linda Roach Judy Rich Steve Rich	Sherry Rice Michael Rice John Harvin Robin Lively-Summers
Lay Weeders	Mark Smith Cynthia Stewart Kathy Robinson	Diane Arnold Brad Arnold

## Asbury Memorial 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  
 Be a creative, supportive fellowship

