

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 A.M. _____ Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost _____ September 26, 2021

GATHERING

Please fill out the tear off **attendance card** on the announcements page and place in the offering plate when passed.

PRELUDE Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus Nick Despres

WELCOME Diana Simpson

ANNOUNCEMENTS Diana Simpson

*CALL TO WORSHIP Diana Simpson

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: How great is the love that the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God.

People: **The reason the world does not know us is that it does not know him.**

Leader: Beloved, now we are God's children; what we will be has not yet been made known.

People: **But we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.**

by Rev. Richard J. Fairchild

*OPENING PRAYER Diana Simpson

Miraculous God, come to us now, even as your Son came to those first disciples on the shores of Galilee. Speak your peace to our hearts. Touch us with your Holy Spirit. Reveal your word, that we may hear your message this day, and live as your disciples in the days and years to come. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

— Adapted from *The Abingdon Worship Annual 2009*, © 2008 Abingdon Press

*OPENING MUSIC Baptized in Water TFWS 2248
Sinking Deep

CHILDREN DISMISSED TO CHILDREN'S CHURCH

(Children, ages K-5th grade are invited to Children's Church.)

GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS Diana Simpson

God, You heap your love upon us like a parent providing for a family's needs, embracing a child with tenderness. Forgive us when, like spoiled children, we treat Your generosity as our right, or hug it possessively to ourselves. Give us enough trust to live secure in Your love and to share it freely with others in open-handed confidence that Your grace will never run out. Amen.

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OFFERTORY Who You Say I Am Praise Team

*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

SCRIPTURE I John 3:1-7 CEB Rev. Jennings

SERMON *When You Know Who You Are*
You Know What To Do Rev. Jennings

HYMN Jesus the Very Thought of Thee UMH 175

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH Diana Simpson

LORD'S PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN Reckless Love

*BENEDICTION Rev. Jennings

*POSTLUDE Praise Band

Today's flowers are given by Tom and Pauline Shields.

Nursery for birth to age 4 available from 8:30am until 11am

(*) If able, please stand

UMH - The United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS - The Faith We Sing

CHURCH CALENDAR

** HAPPENING THIS WEEK **

Sunday, September 26

8:45 AM Adult Sunday School	Various Locations
9:00 AM Praise Team Practice	Sanctuary
10:00 AM Worship	Sanctuary

Monday, September 27

7:00 PM Boy Scouts	Tebbe Hall
7:00 PM Church Council	Farr Hall

Tuesday, September 28

9:30 AM Trunk or Treat Planning	Pastor's Office
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Wednesday, September 29

10:00 AM Bible Bunch	Narthex
6:30 PM Handbells	Handbell Room
6:30 PM Children's Choir	Sanctuary
7:00 PM Youth Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 PM Adult Choir	Sanctuary

Thursday, September 30

6:00 PM Krafty Kritters	Youth Room
6:30 PM Cub Scouts	Tebbe Hall

Friday, October 1

OFFICE CLOSED	
6:00 PM Overeaters Anonymous	Farr Hall

Saturday, October 2

8:00 AM Church Work Day	
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See what kind of love
the Father has given
to us,
that we should
be called children
of God;
and so we are.
-1 John 3:1

Welcome to
Asbury United Methodist Church
Jennifer Ahrens-Sims, Pastor

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“Knowing Christ, Growing in Christ, Serving Christ, Sharing Christ”

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Children's Choir was originally scheduled to sing in worship on September 26. They will now be singing on October 3rd, World Communion Sunday.

CHARGE CONFERENCE WATCH PARTY

Saturday, October 9th from 10am-12pm you can join others in the Pastor's Office to participate in the 2021 Charge Conference. Let Pastor Jennifer know if you plan to attend: pastor@asburyop.com or, you can connect from your own location, just let us know you want to join and we'll get you connected!

FALL FESTIVAL HELP NEEDED

Our Fall Festival is two weeks away. Don't forget we need all hands on deck to help our vendors unload Friday afternoon, October 8 between 5 & 7pm and Saturday, October 9 between 7 & 8:45am. And, if possible from 3 to about 3:45pm to help them break down. Our crafters truly appreciate your help and always let us know how much. Please let either Nancy Ann or Miriam know if you can help.

WEEK IN REVIEW

for the week of September 19, 2021

Worship: 67 Online: 55 Sunday School: 14

Pledges & Tithes	\$3381.00
General Budget	\$ 100.00
Loose Offering	\$ 33.00
CHA Rent	\$1728.00
CHA Utilities	\$ 450.00
Online Giving Fee	\$ 3.89
Children's Ministry	\$ 45.00
Sanctuary Equipment	\$ 100.00
Cuba Love Offering	\$ 40.00
Wednesday Dinner	\$ 353.00
TOTAL GIVING	\$6270.89

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

*Do you feel God's presence
in worship?*

Is worship meaningful to you?

Every week we carefully plan worship with theme-appropriate liturgy and music to complement the scripture lesson. In so doing we engage God's Word by a variety of means that speak to us as uniquely as we are made.

Does God's presence ever leave us? *NO!*
Is God limited by our worship space? *NO!*
Will we stop praising God? *NO!*

We will continue to...

Serve communion
Have baptisms
Welcome new members
Celebrate Advent, and so on.

Together we mark special occasions of our corporate life with rituals and traditions we hold dear. Nothing will separate us from the love of God through Asbury UMC!

Place a mark by the statement(s) that best describe you.

I prefer the band on the raised platform.

I prefer the band on the ground.

I have no preference.

I have a preference but can worship either way.

Other/Additional comments:

Please register your attendance and put this card in the offering plate.

September 26, 2021

Please print

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

I'm a member/We're members

I attend regularly, but am not a member

I'm a first time guest

Have you performed a Salty Service this week? If so, please place one of the Salty Service cards in the offering plate when passed. There is no need to sign the card.

No Fellowship Dinner this week.

If you know of an individual or group* who would be interested in hosting a dinner, please contact Charlotte Marion, 904-707-1848 or call the church office.

* dinners can be a fundraising opportunity for school or community groups



THIS WEEK

9/28 Paulette Hinken
9/28 Nick Despres
9/30 Aileen Wells

NEXT WEEK

10/5 Larry Gochnour
10/7 Kim Voigt
10/9 Keith Litterick
10/9 Victor Claudio

Asbury United Methodist Church
Announcements
September 26, 2021

Welcome Rev. Jennings

Today we welcome back Rev. James Jennings to Asbury UMC. Rev. Jennings served here as pastor from 2001 until 2003. He is now retired and resides on Jacksonville's northside. We are so pleased to have him lead us in worship today.

CHURCH WORK DAY

This Saturday, October 2 is our fall Church Work Day. We'll begin at 8am. There are a number of tasks inside and out that need to be completed so grab a friend, some gloves, rakes, and anything else you have and lend a hand!

AUMC PUMPKIN PATCH 2021

We have already had calls asking if we'll have pumpkins this year! Our patch is definitely a favorite of our community. The patch doesn't just happen. There is a lot of work that goes into it and we need YOUR help. Here are ways you can help.

- ◆ Sign up for a shift. We need two workers per shift and to date there are over 70 shifts that need workers. Working the patch is not difficult and you will get training.
- ◆ Help unload. Our pumpkins will arrive Wednesday, 10/6 at 4pm. We need lots of help. If you know of a student or group looking for community service hours, tell them to come help us. We will provide a letter acknowledging their volunteering.
- ◆ Help set up. Come lend a hand on Thursday & Friday, 10/7 and 8 making our patch warm and welcoming by decorating tents, tables and photo locations. See Charlotte Marion for times, 707-1848.

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Church office hours: Monday through Thursday, 9am—2pm