

First Quarter 2025			
Income	Expenses		Variance
\$108,130.00	\$113,052.00		(\$4,922.00)
Special Fund	Income	Disbursements	
Benevolence	\$4,738.00	\$7,391.00	
Disaster Relief	\$25,114.00	\$33,692.00	
Other Special Projects	\$5,367.00	\$8,672.00	
Capital Improvements	\$10,000.00	\$0	
Attendance for April 20, 2025			
Sunday School		Livestream Views	591
10:00am	157	Children’s Church	11
11:00 am			

SCAN WITH YOUR PHONES CAMERA FOR MORE INFORMATION			
View Our Prayer List		View Our Coming Events	
Give Online		Join our Livestream	

Childcare is available under the Sanctuary. An usher can guide you.



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
THE 27TH DAY *of* APRIL, 2025

TEN O'CLOCK

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MORNING WORSHIP		
APRIL 27TH, 2025		
THE GATHERING		
Prelude & Bringing In The Light	"What Wondrous Love"	Asbury Handbells
The Greeting	We welcome you, and we pray that this time together will be a blessing in your life.	
	† At the sound of the bells, please prepare your hearts and minds for worship	

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Lifting Our Voices in Praise*	"Crown Him with Many Crowns" UMH 327	Cindy Sams
The Apostles Creed*	See Insert	UMH #881
Gloria Patri*	<i>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</i>	
Passing Of The Peace*	† Afterward, the people may be seated.	
The Children’s Message		Rebekah Taylor

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

Call to Prayer	"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"	Chancel Choir
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Mark Wills
The Lord’s Prayer	See Insert	Rev. Mark Wills

MORNING WORSHIP		
APRIL 27TH, 2025		
PROCLAIMING THE WORD		
The Scripture Lesson*	John 20:19-31	John Reviere
The Message	Shalom: The First and Last Word	Rev. Mark Wills

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Giving Our Tithes & Offerings	† An offering is collected to support the mission of Asbury UMC to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Please register your attendance in the Ritual of Christian Friendship Folder and let us know if you are visiting, would like to become a member, or are interested in more information.	
Offertory Prayer		Rev. Mark Wills
Anthem	"In the Cross of Christ I Glory" Conkey	Chancel Choir
Doxology	See Insert	UMH #95
Hymn of Invitation*	"Because He Lives" UMH 364	Cindy Sams

SENDING FORTH

Benediction*		Rev. Mark Wills
Peace*	Minister: The Peace of Christ be always with you. People: An also with you.	
Postlude*	"Victory in Jesus" Bartlett	Cindy Sams

TODAY’S WORSHIP TEAM	
Preaching:	Rev. Mark Wills, Guest Pastor
Liturgist:	John Reviere
Children’s Message:	Rebekah Taylor
Organist/Pianist:	Cindy Sams and Martha Wiley
Music:	The Chancel Choir; Cindy Sams , Director
Sound/Livestream:	Christian Martin
ANNOUNCEMENTS	
Let us know you’re here: Please take a moment to let us know you’re here by checking-in using the church center app, completing an online connection card at www.asburylife.org , or by signing the red registration pad in your pew	
See what’s coming up at Asbury: Visit our online church calendar at https://asburylife.org/coming-up-at-asbury . Membership work day , May 1st 10 am–12 pm Welcome Reception for Rev. Kim Goddard , May 11, 2025 9:45 am - 10:30 am Wounding, Healing, and Restoring Hope in United Methodist Congregations , May 16th 10 am–4:30 pm Abby Whitaker and Christian Martin will have a church-wide wedding shower at the church on Sunday, April 27th, from 2 to 4 p.m. Please join us in celebrating the marriage of this wonderful couple.	
Celebrations and Concerns of the Congregation: The Family of Jerry Moore , following his death on April 18 Morris Turpen (Michelle Loven's father), who is in the hospital at Greeneville Community East. Pastor Sharon Bowers , as she prepares to defend her doctoral dissertation. *Please stand as you are able. *Please silence cell phones and electronic devices in the Sanctuary.	

Celebrating 150 Years in Ministry

The Bible Stories in Glass Reflections on Asbury’s Stain Glassed Windows

Throughout the month of April, we’re reflecting on the construction of the church beginning with the laying of the cornerstone on October 2, 1911. The building was dedicated on April 21, 1912 so the thirteen “primary” stained glass windows in the Sanctuary and Narthex were placed during that time. (There are also two windows, one on either side of the balcony, which were not recorded as memorials.)

Most of the thirteen windows were pledged by family members of the people memorialized. It is believed that the rectangular windows, with transom, cost about \$100 and the larger, arched windows, \$250. As you can see, they were made to open and not only on the day of dedication, but many Sundays thereafter until the building was air conditioned, the lower sashes would be fully raised and those by the balcony tied open with a rope attached to the balcony railing. (I have first-hand knowledge that this is factual!). In the late 1980’s or early to mid1990’s I believe, Plexiglas coverings were added to all of the windows for protection.

Of significance to me is the David R Britton window. He was my great, great, grandfather. It was in the parlor of his home in 1875 that a meeting of the Official Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, North was conducted. They were given permission by the Bishop to purchase the lot on which our current church stands. Britton was a member of the Official Board.

All of the historical detail included in this article was derived from Carolyn Gregg’s book, The History of Asbury United Methodist Church from 1873 to 2012. Pictures of each window, and the people for whom they are placed, may be found on pages seven through thirteen. This book is packed with interesting information about our Church and I encourage each of you to read it from cover to cover!

Bill Brown, Church Council Chair & member of the Celebration Committee

The Apostles 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.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him all creatures here below,
Praise him above the heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

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.