



17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
THE 5TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2025

TEN O'CLOCK

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MORNING WORSHIP

OCTOBER 05, 2025

THE GATHERING

Prelude & Bringing In The Light

Music

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\*

Music

The Apostles Creed\*

See Insert

UMH #881

Passing Of The Peace\*

† Afterward, the people may be seated.

The Children’s Message

Don Stansfield III

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

Call to Prayer

Music

Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Sharon Bowers

The Lord’s Prayer

See Insert

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

The Scripture Lesson\*

Romans 2:9-13 & Matthew 22:36-40 (NRSVUE)



Marcia Parsons

The Message

Three Simple Rules

Rev. Sharon Bowers

Attendance for September 28, 2025			
Sunday School	5	Livestream Views	386
Traditional Service	48	Children’s Church	3
Contemporary Service	25	Daycare Chapel	20
Morning Pointe Senior Center	13		
Children’s Church & Youth Wednesday Night	47		

SCAN WITH YOUR PHONES CAMERA FOR MORE INFORMATION							
View Our Prayer List		View Our Com-ing Events		Give Online		Join our Live-stream	

A PLACE FOR GRACE

Join Us for Sharing A Meal and our Lives Together

An Inclusive Monthly Gathering of Hope and Belonging with our friends from Narcotics Anonymous.  
Because when we come together, we remember that we are more alike than different.

First Sunday of each month at 5:30 PM,  
Fellowship Hall, Asbury United Methodist Church  
201 South Main Street, Greeneville, TN 37743  
All are welcome — come as you are!

October 5, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Visit us at <https://asburylife.org/coming-up-at-asbury> for more information!



MORNING WORSHIP

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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.

Offertory Prayer

Rev. Sharon Bowers

Anthem

Music

Doxology

See Insert

UMH #95

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion

A Service of Word and Table

UMH #12

Giving of the Bread & Cup

UMH #12

Hymn of Invitation\*

Music

SENDING FORTH

Benediction\*

Rev. Sharon Bowers

Peace\*

Minister: The Peace of Christ be always with you.  
People: **An also with you.**

Postlude\*

Music

Childcare is available in the children's area , an usher can guide you.

# Liturgy For Worship

## 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.

\*\*Universal

## 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.

## Pastor Blessings

Go forth, beloved of God, to live as a people shaped by God’s amazing grace.  
**Do no harm** in thought, word, or deed; instead, practice healing and hope, not  
hurt and hate. **Do good** by letting your actions shine with love and mercy. **Stay in**  
**love with God** and draw strength daily from prayer, worship, and the Word. May  
the Holy Spirit lead and guide you to all truths.  
Amen.

Small Group Gatherings  
Continued

**Children's Ministry**  
Wednesdays  
5:15–7:00 p.m.  
Asbury Fellowship Hall  
3 Churches 1 Mission / Asbury-Pruitt Hill-Tate  
Chapel  
Rotating Locations  
*Growing Kids in Christ Together*

**Crochet Workshop**  
Thursdays  
Thursday 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Asbury 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Parlor  
Light refreshments will be provided.  
Guest Artist Sandi Tester  
Workshop supplies to be provided at  
no charge.

**Men's Ministry**  
*The Campfire Covenant*  
Launch date to be announced  
*Barton Hollow Farm*  
Hosted by John Reviere  
*Gather round the fire—faith, fellowship, and  
the outdoors await.*

**Community Outreach Initiative:**  
**Morning Pointe Senior Center**  
**Morning Glory: Faith for the Journey**  
Thursdays | 10-10:30 a.m. Come share scrip-  
ture and encouragement with our beloved  
seniors.

Prayer of Confession

**Liturgist:** **People:** Forgive us, Lord.  
Lord, you call us to **do no harm**, but we confess  
we have caused pain to ourselves and others,  
both known and unknown.

**Liturgist:** **People:** Forgive us, Lord.  
You have given us opportunities to **do good**,  
but we have tried to decide who is worthy of  
our good and who is not. We have failed to use  
our opportunities to serve your people.

**Liturgist:** **People:** Forgive us, Lord.  
You desire that we **stay in love with you**, but we  
have neglected prayer, worship, and your  
Word. We have failed to make you a priority.

**All:**  
In your mercy, renew us by your Spirit. Make us faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.  
Teach us to live by three simple rules: do no harm, do good, and stay in Love with  
God! 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.

TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM	
Preaching:	Rev. Sharon Bowers, Lead Pastor
Liturgist:	Marica Parsons
Children's Message:	Don Stansfield III
Organist/Pianist:	Music
Music:	The Chancel Choir
Sounds/Livestream:	Christian Martin
ANNOUNCEMENTS	
<b>Let us know you're here:</b> Check in on the Church Center app, complete a connection card at <a href="http://www.asburylife.org">www.asburylife.org</a> , or sign the red registration pad in your pew. Everyone—visitors and members alike—are welcome to connect. Please let us know if you would like to become a member or learn more about our church. Visit our online church calendar at <a href="https://asburylife.org/coming-up-at-asbury">https://asburylife.org/coming-up-at-asbury</a> .	
<b>Asbury is hosting the Greeneville High School Football team on October 23!</b> We'll provide a high-carb dinner and Scripture, serving from <b>3:30–4:15 p.m.</b> Volunteers are needed for setup, serving, and cleanup. Donations toward the meal are welcome—please mark your check or envelope <b>"GHS Football."</b> Let's show our community the heart of Asbury! Please reach out to Doris Allen or the church office for additional information.	
<b>Celebration:</b> 40+ children, youth and parents from our Greeneville Parish— Asbury, Pruitt Hill & Tate Chapel, celebrated Fall at Fenders Farm., Praise God.	
<b>Celebration:</b> On Sunday, October 26, we will celebrate members 90 years and older, honoring their faith, wisdom, and witness. Join us as we surround them with gratitude and celebrate lives well-lived in Christ.	
<b>Christian Sympathy:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Please lift up the family and friends of <b>Robert Walker</b>, following his passing last week.</li><li>• Please pray for the family and friends of <b>Pamela Conley</b> who passed Sept. 30th.</li><li>• <b>For Healing:</b> Kay Freer – Prayers for healing, wisdom for her doctors to find the cause of her illness, and strength and comfort for Kay during time.</li></ul>	

Small Group Gatherings

True North Youth Ministry

Wednesdays  
5:15–7:30 p.m.

Asbury Fellowship Hall in conjunction with Building Bridges. Join un for a Meal then on to the Youth Dedicated Hangout Spot  
*Finding Our Way Together*

Bible Study: *Making Sense of the Bible*

Thursdays  
Beginning Oct 9 / 6:00 –7:30 p.m.  
*Barton Hollow Farm*  
Hosted by John Reviere  
*Rediscovering the Power of Scripture Today*

Books & Brew

Mondays  
Beginning Oct. 6th / 10:00–12:00 p.m.  
Asbury UMC Library  
Hosted by Debby Hendrix  
*Where Coffee, Community, and Curiosity Meet!*

Small Group Study

*Reckless Love*

Thursdays  
Beginning Oct 23–Dec 4 / 6:00 p.m.  
Asbury LaRue Class  
Hosted by Sheri Witfield  
*Reckless Love: Jesus' Call to Love They Neighbor*