

Join us for **A Place for Grace**, a monthly gathering of friends from Narcotics Anonymous where we come together to share a meal, fellowship, and stories of hope.

Date: March 1, 2026

Time: 6:15 PM - 7:15 PM

When: The first Sunday of every month

Location: Fellowship Hall

Asbury United Methodist Church
201 S. Main Street
Greenville 37743

Whether you are in recovery, supporting someone who is, or simply looking for a welcoming community, there is a place for you here. Come share a meal, share your story, and experience grace together.

All are welcome.



2ND SUNDAY IN LENT
THE 1ST DAY *of* MARCH 2026

TEN O'CLOCK

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

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MORNING WORSHIP

MARCH 1, 2026

THE GATHERING

Prelude & Bringing In The
Light

"Ah, Holy Jesus"
by Johannes Brahms

Ed Logan

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*

"He Lives"

UMH #310

The Apostles Creed*

See Insert

UMH #881

Gloria Patri*

**Glory be to the Farther and to the Son and to the Holy
Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
work without end. Amen.**

Passing Of The Peace*

† Afterward, the people may be seated.

The Children's Message

Don Stansfield III

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

Call to Prayer

Rebekah Taylor

Prayer Hymn

"Spirt of the Living God"

UMH #393
Chancel Choir

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Sharon Bowers

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

The Scripture Lesson*

Habakkuk 3:17-19 (NIV)

Rebekah Taylor

The Message

Yet, Will I Rejoice!

Rev. Sharon Bowers

*Please stand as you are able, and silence cell phones and electronic devices in the Sanctuary.

Attendance for February 22, 2026

Sunday School	17	Livestream Views	508
Traditional Service	52	Children's Church	5
Contemporary Service	15	Daycare Chapel	30
Morning Pointe Senior Center	17	Children's Church & Youth Wednesday	22



TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM	
Preaching:	Rev. Sharon Bowers, Lead Pastor
Liturgist:	Rebekah Taylor
Children's Message:	Don Stansfield, III
Organist/Pianist:	Ed Logan
Music:	Choir
Sounds/Livestream:	Christian Martin / Fletcher Sherrill / Zy Neal

Children's Ministry
Wednesdays
5:15–7:00 p.m.
Asbury Fellowship Hall
3 Churches 1 Mission / Asbury-Pruitt Hill-Tate Chapel

Community Outreach Morning Pointe Senior Center
Thursdays | 10 a.m. Come share scripture and encouragement with our beloved seniors.

Bible Studies

- ***Wrestling with Doubt: Finding Faith* by Adam Hamilton**
A small-group study that creates a safe space for the honest questions many Christians carry quietly, offering guidance for discovering a deeper and more resilient faith.
Mondays | Beginning January 12th | 6:00 p.m. Contact John Reviere for additional information.

- ***Spiritual Practices for Soul Care* by Rev. Dr. Barbara L. Peacock**
For those longing for a richer experience of God, this study introduces forty practices that help integrate spiritual disciplines into everyday life.
Wednesdays | Beginning January 28th | 11:00 a.m. **

- ***Pursued: God's Relentless Love for You (Women's Bible Study)* by Jennifer Cowart**
Explore the sweeping story of Scripture to see how God faithfully and lovingly pursues His people throughout biblical history—and continues to pursue us today.
Mondays | Beginning January 26th @ 6:00 p.m. **

** Contact Rev. Bowers or Kathy in the office if you have questions or are interested.

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD

† An offering is collected to support the mission of Asbury UMC to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Giving Our Tithes & Offerings Please register your attendance in the red folder in your pew, and let us know if you are visiting, would like to become a member, or are interested in more information.

Offertory Prayer Rev. Sharon Bowers

Anthem (Organ Offertory) Ed Logan
"Steal Away to Jesus"
by Charles Callahan

Doxology UMH #95
See Insert

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion UMH #12
A Service of Word and Table

Giving of the Bread & Cup UMH #12

Hymn of Invitation* UMH #400
"Come, Thou Fount of Every

SENDING FORTH

Benediction* Rev. Sharon Bowers

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

Postlude* Ed Logan
"Forgive Our Sins as
We Forgive"
by Wilbur Held

Childcare is available under the Sanctuary. 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.

Committee Spotlight

This Nominations Committee serves as the engine for identifying, recruiting, and nurturing church leaders. Working closely with the Church Council, it monitors leadership needs, fills vacancies, and may recommend new ministry positions to support the church's mission.

Key Responsibilities:

- Identify and recruit leaders based on spiritual gifts and skills
- Provide training and support for those serving
- Maintain oversight of leadership positions and fill vacancies
- Submit a slate of nominees to the Charge Conference for approval

The committee nominates leaders for roles including Lay Leader, Church Council Chair, and chairpersons and members of the Pastor/Staff Parish Relations Committee, Board of Trustees, Finance Committee, and other ministry areas.

Chaired by the Senior Pastor, the committee includes the Lay Leader and up to nine members (including at least one young adult; a youth may also serve). **All committee members must be professing members of the congregation.** Confidentiality and discernment are central to its work.

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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>.

Sunday School for Both Services

Sister By Grace—Lead by: Marcia Parson @ 8:45 AM.

LaRue Class—Lead by: Steve Parsons @ 9:00 AM.

Family Enrichment—Lead by: Ryan McMillin & Abby Whitaker Martin @ 10:00 AM.

- Prom Closet is this **Saturday, March 7, 2026 | 4:00-8:00 PM** at 201 South Main Street, Greeneville, TN. Young ladies in grades **8-12** are invited to shop for a beautiful prom dress for just **\$10** (one dress per person). A variety of sizes and styles will be available. Enter through the rear parking lot off Summer Street. Each guest may bring one supporter. For questions, call the church office at **(423) 798-1050**. Help us spread the word and support this special ministry to our community's students!
- Just a friendly reminder that **Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 9, 2026**. Don't forget to **set your clocks forward one hour** before you go to bed Saturday night! Let's "spring forward" together with hearts full of joy, ready to embrace the longer, sunnier days God has blessed us with.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Please remember in your prayers those among us who are struggling with sickness, grief, or life's challenges. May God's love bring them comfort, His wisdom guide their decisions, and His peace fill their hearts.

Prayer of Confession

Liturgist:

God of our salvation, when the fig tree is barren and the fields feel empty, we confess that we have not trusted you for our provision.

Liturgist:

In anxious times, we have chosen to fret instead of trusting. We have trusted headlines more than Your promises.

Liturgist:

When political tension rises and communities tremble, we confess that doubt and worry has sometimes replaced worship.

Liturgist:

We confess that we have not always stood in solidarity with those who are afraid – immigrants, neighbors, strangers in our midst.

Liturgist:

Restore to us the courage to live by faith.

Liturgist:

Teach us to practice holy remembrance – to go back and retrieve the joy You have already given.

People:

Lord, have mercy. Bring back to our remembrance that the earth is yours and everything in it. We have focused more on what is missing than on who You are.

People:

Christ, have mercy. Remind us of your past faithfulness. Teach us to remember.

People:

Lord, have mercy. We have let sorrow speak louder than joy.

People:

Forgive us for failing to love as You have loved us.

People:

Restore to us the joy of Your salvation.

All:

Gracious God, remind us that great is your faithfulness. Anchor us in Your unchanging love. When the tree is empty, help us declare "yet." When fear is loud, help us rejoice. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



<u>Date</u>	<u>Host Church</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
2/25/26	Reformation Lutheran	Rev. Dr. Ken Saunders
3/4/26	First Presbyterian	Rev. Andy Blackwelder
3/11/26	Cumberland Presbyterian	Rev. Sarah Varnell
3/18/26	St. James Episcopal	Rev. Sharon Bowers
3/25/26	Trinity United Methodist	Rev. Todd Jenkins
4/1/26	Asbury United Methodist	Rev. Mike Sauls

All services are scheduled for 12p (noon) - 12:30p

Women's History Month

During the month of March, we celebrate Women's History Month – a time to honor the faith, leadership, courage, and contributions of women throughout history and in our own community.

From the women of Scripture who carried the promise of God, to the founders and missionaries of the Methodist movement, to the faithful women who serve, teach, pray, lead, and nurture right here at Asbury, we give thanks.

We celebrate the legacy of leaders like Susanna Wesley, whose spiritual guidance shaped generations; Jarena Lee, one of the first authorized female preachers in the African Methodist Episcopal Church; and the countless women whose names may not be recorded in history books but are written in the story of our faith.

This month we honor the women who have paved the way, the women who are leading today, and the young girls who are preparing to shape tomorrow.

We invite you to join us in gratitude, prayer, and celebration as we give thanks for the gifts and witness of women in the church and in the world.

Her children arise and call her blessed. – Proverbs 31:28

Pastoral Blessing

May the God who sustained your ancestors and brought them to this land of milk and honey sustain you.

May the God who watched over and protected you do IT again.

May joy rise from your memory into your present reality.

May your footing be steady even on steep terrain.

May fear not have the final word over your faith.

May you practice Sankofa –reaching back, remembering, and retrieving what God has already done so you can move forward praising God!

