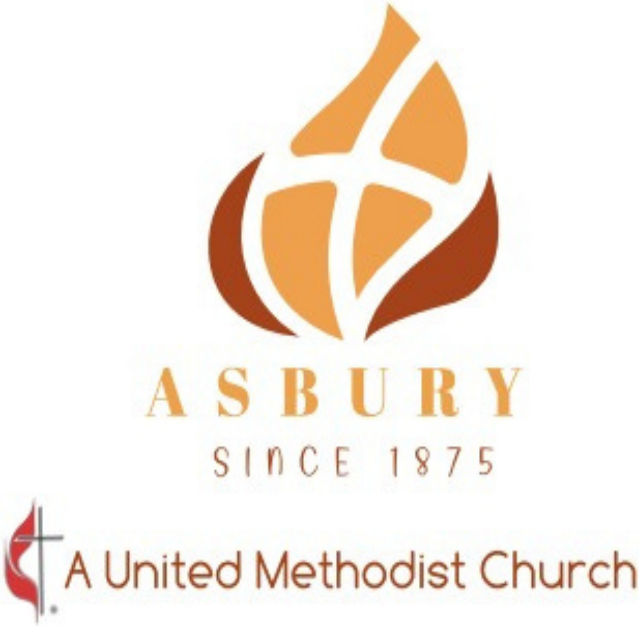


ASBURY GATHERINGS
Children’s & Youth Ministry Wednesdays 5:15 - 7:00 P.M. Asbury Fellowship Hall 3 Churches 1 Mission / Asbury - Pruitt Hill - Tate Chapel
Tiny Seeds, Tuesdays 10:00 A.M., Chapel for 3-4 year olds - Day Care Students and Staff. Rev. Sharon Bowers and Sandra Fox leading.
The Valley (Contemporary Worship Service) @ Asbury Sunday 11:15 A.M. Asbury Fellowship Hall, Rev. Ronnie Wong, Preacher
Community Outreach Morning Pointe Senior Center, Thursdays 10 A.M. Come share scripture and encouragement with our beloved seniors. Our guest pianist is Rev. Rebecca Prenshaw (Nancy Worley’s daughter).
Bible Studies / Small Groups X'ianity: Christianity 101 Sundays, at 10:00 A.M. in the Asbury Library. Interested in attending the Contemporary Service and looking for a Sunday School class? Join this class, Christianity 101, a welcoming discussion of the foundations of the Christian faith. Whether you're new to Christianity, exploring your faith, or simply looking to connect with others, everyone is welcome. Foundations: A New Member Class Sunday at 6:00 P.M. in the Asbury Library. Join us for a 7-week study to explore our Methodist heritage, Wesleyan tradition, and what it means to be part of Asbury UMC. (Pastor Chase). Class will reconvene in early November when Pastor Chase returns from paternity leave. The Bible Told Them So J. Russell Hawkins, Author. Begins Tuesday, September 22, at 6:00 P.M. in the La Rue Room, Led by Rev. Bowers. Join us for an 8-week study exploring faith, history, and our call to live as compassionate witnesses. All are welcome! (Pastor Sharon). Books are available in the church office, and we currently have 4 spots available. To reserve a spot or pick up your book, please stop by the church office. Please join our small group study. There is a space just for you! New Bible Study: Forgiveness, Finding Peace Through Letting Go October 3 (6 weeks), Thursdays 6:00–7:30 P.M. Join us this fall as we explore forgiveness with Adam Hamilton and discover how letting go of grudges can open our hearts more fully to God's grace. **Bring a friend and join us for this meaningful study! ** Interested? Please sign up through Church Center. For more information, please contact John Reviere.



20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE 11th DAY of OCTOBER 2026

TEN O’CLOCK

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MORNING WORSHIP

October 11, 2026

THE GATHERING

Prelude & Bringing In The Light “Instrumental” Paula Johnson

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* "Blessed Assurance" UMH #369

The Apostles Creed* See Insert

† Afterward, the people may be seated.

Gloria Patri* 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

Passing Of The Peace* Sherin Whitfield

The Children’s Message Don Stansfield III

Prayer of Confession Sherin Whitfield

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE Congregation:

Call to Prayer Sherin Whitfield

Prayer Hymn “Jesus, Remember Me x 2" UMH #488 Chancel Choir & Congregation

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Ronald Wong

The Lord’s Prayer Rev. Ronald Wong

*Please stand in body or spirit, and silence cell phones and electronic devices in the Sanctuary.

Church Services and Attendance for October 4, 2026			
Sunday School	9	Livestream Views Traditional Service *Contemporary Service	(322) *140
Traditional Service 10 A.M.	41	Children’s Church	4
Contemporary Service 11:15 A.M.	18	Children’s Chapel	24
Books & Brew (Tuesdays)	3	Children’s Church & Youth	32
X’ianity 101	8	Van Dreal Covenant (Bi-Weekly - Wednesday)	Oct 14
Forgiviness	8	The Bible Told Them So	6
A Place of Grace Monthly - 1st Sunday	28	Morning Pointe Senior Center (Thursdays)	21
Prayer Requests			
Please keep our military men and women in your prayers, especially Alex Whitaker (Air Force Pilot), Lincoln Taylor (Navy Pilot), and Jackson Renner (Army Reserve). Pray for God’s protection, wisdom, strength, and courage as they serve, and for their safe return home. Please also pray for their families.			
Traveling Mercies: Diane & Kevin (Ireland), Sandra & Don (Italy), Amie (NC to Dallas), Dawn & Tom, Doris’ niece & Richard Powell (Honor Flight), and Steve, Marcia trips to OK & the mountains.			
Health & Caregiving: Rebekah Taylor, (cancer treatment) Brenda Currens (back pain), Phyllis (knee recovery), Lisa (cancer treatment), John & Susie (hip surgery), Barbara Serral’s sister, Maryanne, and Margaret’s family. Charlene Scott (broken hip & wrist). Jean Sterling's sister Jane (cancer), Johnny Cash (Chronic illness).			

TODAY’S WORSHIP TEAM	
Preaching:	Rev. Sharon Bowers
Liturgist:	Sherin Whitfield
Children’s Message:	Don Stansfield III
Nursery Host:	Hostess
Music:	Paula Johnson
Sound / Livestream:	Christian Martin / Fletcher Sherrill / Zy Neal
ANNOUNCEMENTS	
Asbury is hosting the Greeneville High School Football team on October 15! We’ll provide a high-carb lunch and Scripture, serving from 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed for setup, serving, and cleanup between 10:00 - 2:00 P.M.. Donations toward the meal are welcome and appreciated. Please mark your check or envelope “GHS Football.” Let’s show our community the heart of Asbury! Please reach out to Doris Allen or the church office for additional information.	
Our Annual Trunk or Treat is approaching quickly and we are in need of trunks and people to pass out candy. This year's event will be held on Wednesday, October 28 from 5:30-7:00. Please arrive by 5:00 if you are setting up a trunk. If you would like to donate candy, please put it in the fellowship hall labeled "trunk or treat." Sarah McMillan can answer any questions you may have.	
This month’s United Methodist Women’s meeting will be held at 115 Oak Grove Road, Greenville, on October 21st at 11:00 A.M., hosted by Ivy Leonard. Please RSVP to Doris Allen by October 18th.	
Volunteers are needed for the many events, studies, worship services that are held each week at Asbury and in the community. Please contact Rev. Bowers or Kathy in the church office if you would like to know about the wonderful opportunities.	

MORNING WORSHIP

October 11, 2026

Proclaiming The Word

The Scripture Lesson*	Psalms 23 (NRSV)	Sherin Whitfield
The Message	There Is Joy In The House	Rev. Sharon Bowers

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 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
Offertory Song	“Instrumental”	Paula Johnson
Doxology	See Insert	UMH #95
Hymn of Invitation	“My Hope Is Built”	UMH# 368

Sending Forth

Benediction*		Rev. Sharon Bowers
Peace*	Minister: The Peace of Christ be always with you. People: And also with you.	
Postlude*	"Instrumental"	Paula Johnson

*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 ye 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.

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Pardon
Leader: Gracious God, our Shepherd and Lord, teach us to follow your lead, as we are sure to get lost when we try to go our own way. Forgive us for the times we have gone away from you instead of toward you. People: Draw us nearer, Lord, to thee. Forgive us for the times we have gone astray and led others astray with our careless thoughts, words, and deeds. Leader: Lord, we have held on to situations and circumstances that you told us to release, causing additional pain and suffering. Teach us to trust you and let it go! People: Lead us to a resting place beside still waters. Restore our souls, O God. Show us that it is not in running but in resting that we find the strength of the Lord. Leader: Remind us that when we walk in the valley, we are never alone. Forgive us for allowing darkness to smother out the light. Forgive us for looking at the valley and forgetting the Shepherd. People: Illuminate our path and show us the way that we should go. Lead and guide us to all truth. Leader: Lord, fill our cups until they overflow with love, peace, and joy. Remind us that we shall never want, as you have just what we need. People: Teach us to abide in and with you. All: We shall dwell in the house of God forever and ever. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Shepherd, we pray. Amen.
Pastoral Blessing
As you leave this place, take the name of Jesus with you everywhere you go. Let the Good Shepherd lead and guide you every step of the way. May the Good Shepherd lead you to places of rest. May the Good Shepherd restore your joy. May the Good Shepherd walk with you through your darkest valley. May the Good Shepherd make a home for you now and in the future, May the Good Shepherd watch over and protect you. May goodness and mercy follow you—not just today, but all the days of your life. May your home overflow with love, peace, and joy. Amen.