

B-Traditional Service

February 8, 2026

Length in mins		Leader	Person	Music MediaNotes	Production Server	Usher / Notes
THE GATHERING						
3:00	Start Livestream				Production Team	
1:00	Prelude "From Heaven Above" arr. Johann Pachelbel	Organist/ Pianist	Ed Logan			
1:00	Bringing In The Light		Acolytes			
3:00	The Greeting Good morning, church! And welcome to Asbury. Whether this is your church home, your first visit, or somewhere in between, we are so glad you're here. Today we gather as generations of believers have always done: to pray, to sing, to listen for God's voice, and to be reminded that we are not alone. Wherever you're coming from and whatever you're carrying, you are welcome here. May this time of worship bring you peace, encouragement, and a renewed sense of hope as we open our hearts to God together. Please take a moment to let us know you're here by signing the red pad in your pew or checking in through the Church Center app. Those worshipping online are invited to complete a connection card at asburylife.org or in Church Center, or you can simply like or comment as you watch the livestream on social media and we'll do the rest. Registering your attendance helps us do what the Church has always been called to do: care for people - well . When you check in, it allows us to reach out in more personal and meaningful ways, so that we can welcome you by name, follow up when someone has been absent, share timely information, and offer care, prayer, and connection when it's needed most. Simply put, checking in helps us stay connected and ensures no one is overlooked. If you're worshipping with us online, take a moment to create a sacred space wherever you are. Light a candle, open your Bible, and have a pen and paper ready. These are simple acts that help quiet the noise, focus the heart, and make room for the joy of worship	Liturgist	Marcia Parsons	ring the bell 3 times		

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as we gather together in God's presence.

We'd like to draw your attention to a few announcements.

- Wheelchair-accessible seating is now available in the sanctuary near the narthex on both the left and right sides. Accessible parking is available in the ACEC lot, with elevator access at the breezeway entrance, and a ramp at the main street entrance. No special request is needed.

If there are no other announcements, then at the sound of the bells, let's prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

2:30 Lifting Our Voices In Praise*

"This is My Father's World..." UMH# 144

We invite you to stand as you are able and join us in singing our opening hymn, number #144

Liturgist

Marcia UMH
Parsons #144

1:00 The Apostles Creed

Each week, we recite the Apostles' Creed to root ourselves in the faith that has been handed down through the centuries. These words remind us that we do not believe alone. We stand in a long line of Christians who have trusted God, followed Christ, and proclaimed this same hope. The Creed unites us across generations and traditions, anchoring our worship in the core truths of the Christian faith and reminding us who we are and what we believe.

Liturgist

Marcia UMH
Parsons #881

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.

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0:30	Gloria Patri*					
5:00	Passing Of The Peace* We pass the peace because Christ has first made peace with us. Before we approach God's Word and Table, we turn to one another as a visible sign of reconciliation, unity, and love within the body of Christ. This moment reminds us that worship is not something we do alone—faith is lived in community. Passing the peace is more than a greeting; it is a sacred practice that says, plainly and honestly: we belong to one another in Christ, and we come to worship as a people made one by His grace. We invite you to turn and pass the Peace of Christ with each other.	Liturgist	Marcia Parsons			
5:00	The Children's Message You may be seated, and we invite the children to come forward for the children's message.	Children's Leader	Barbara Richard			

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGRAGATION

1:00	Call To Prayer This is the time in our service where we lift up the joys and concerns of the congregation. Do you have any prayer concerns or Joys to share?	Liturgist / Chancel Choir	Marcia Parsons			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please lift Tom Steele and family, following the death of his cherished wife Sue, on January 17th. • We extend our heartfelt condolences to Brian and Doris Allen and to Leslie and April Allen in the passing of their beloved mother, Mrs. Mildred Allen, who transitioned from earth to glory on Tuesday, January 27, 2026. • Please remember Marty Masker as she has heart surgery at Holston Valley in Kingsport on Tuesday. Prayer for strength and a quick and easy recovery. • Please keep Virginia Sweeney in your prayers as she is facing some very difficult circumstances. • Prayers are requested for families grieving the recent loss of loved ones due to overdose. 					

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1:00	Prayer Hymn "Seek Ye First" UHM 405 We invite you to come to the Lord in prayer as we sing "Seek Ye First: UMH #405	Organist/ Pianist	Ed Logan	UMH #405	
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2:00	Pastoral Prayer	Minister	Rev. Sharon Bowers		
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1:00	The Lord's Prayer	Minister	Rev. Sharon Bowers		
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PROCLAIMING THE WORD

2:00	The Scripture Lesson* Genesis 1: 27-28 / Matthew 6: 26-30 Please stand as you are able for the reading of our scripture lesson. Today's reading comes to us from Genesis 1: 27-28 / Matthew 6: 26-30 NRSVU	Liturgist	Glen Villireal / Jules Richard III		
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Genesis 1:27-28 NRSVUE

²⁷ So God created humans in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. ²⁸ God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth."

Matthew 6:26-30 NRSVUE

²⁶ Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸ And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith?

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May God add a blessing to the reading, hearing, and understanding of this scripture. Please be seated.

20:00 The Message

How Scouting Has Influenced My Life and Caring for ALL of God's Creation

Minister

Jabez
Dixon /
Art
Masker

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

1:30 Giving of Our Tithes & Offerings

Each week, we collect an offering to support the mission of Asbury UMC to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We invite the ushers to come forward to receive our tithes, gifts, and offerings.

Minister

Rev.
Sharon
Bowers

2:00 Offertory Prayer

The minister offers an offertory prayer before sending forth the ushers to receive the offering.

Minister

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4:00 Anthem (Organ Offertory)

"The Son of God is Come" arr Morcel Dupre

Organist /
Pianist

Ed
Logan

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0:30 Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise him all creatures he below.

Praise him above ye heavenly hosts,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Organist/
Pianist

Ed
Logan

UMH
#95

2:00 Hymn of Invitation*

"Let There Be Peace on Earth" UMH #431

Please stand and join in singing our hymn of invitation, #431

Liturgist

UMH
#431

SENDING FORTH

1:30 Benediction

Minister

Art
Masker

0:30 Peace*

Minister

Rev.
Sharon

