



THE 24TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2025

CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 PM

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DECEMBER 24, 2025

THE GATHERING

Prelude & Bringing In The Light	"Now Sing We, Now Rejoice" arr. Paul Manz	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.	

PROCLAMATION

Lighting the Advent Candles	See Insert	Rilee Lamons Soloist Diane & Kevin James and Lynn Reviere
Lifting Our Voices in Praise*	"O Come, All Ye Faithful"	UMH # 234
The Children’s Message		Sarah McMillan

PRAISES & PRAYERS

Call to Prayer	"O Come, Oh Come, Emanuel" Verses 1&2	UMH #211
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Sharon Bowers
The Lord’s Prayer	See Insert	
Passing the Peace	† Afterward, the people may be seated.	

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

The Scripture Lesson*	Luke 2: 1-20	John Reveiere
The Message	"O, What a Night!"	Rev. Sharon Bowers

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



IN HONOR OF

Lincoln & Emly, Eliza, & Will Grant Taylor
Diane & Kevin James
Lynn Reviere
Bart & Judy Reviere
Tom & Carolyn Smith
Frankie Hagan
Jewel Bell
Margie Whitaker
Art & Marty Masker
Mark, Victoria & Eli Jones
Jonathan, Susanne, Preston, Hampton Norwood
Barbara Serral
Allison & Emily Elliott /Ava and Owen Brown
Lynn Reviere
John Reviere
Diane and Kevin James
Judy and Bart Reviere
Rev. Sharon Bowers
Pat Bradford
Ruth Whitfield

Frankie Hagan

Rev. Sharon Bowers
Jean Sterling
Jean Sterling
All Members | Friends of Asbury

GIVEN BY

Their Parents Rebekah & Jeff Taylor
John Reviere
Her Children & Grandchildren
John, Jamie, Craig, Sam & Henry
Bobby, Ivy, Addie & Hannah
Emily and Rodney Bell
The Bell Family
Emily and Kids
Your Kids and Grandkids
David & Susan Jones
David & Susan Jones
Amie Moyer, Her Children and Grandchildren
Jane & Bill Brown
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Debby & Marty
Chuck & Sheri Whitfield
Emily, Rebekah, Lincoln & Emily, Eliza, Will Grant, Lucy & Blake, and Henry
The James’s
Jim, Kathy, and John
Bart, Judy, and John Reviere
Rev. Sharon Bowers



IN MEMORY OF

Jim Kinnard

Lucille & Hobart Hendrixson

Dr. & Mrs. Jim L. Cash

Terry & Kay Leonard

Tom and Joan Hull

Amy Hull Ransdell

Murry / Veona Duncan

Kathy Chamberlain

Fred A. Serral

Beatrice Jennings

Dr. Charles McGaw

Frank & Connie Silvers

Elizabeth Bible

Herbert Whitfield

Dave Storm

Edna Smith

Bill and Juanita Parsons

Billy and Erma Lee Phillips

Winifred Kuper

Morris Turpin

Jimmy Loven

Wesley Reviere

Calvin Reviere

Mr. Edwin B. Logan and Mrs. Bettie Anne Logan

GIVEN BY

His Children Rebekah Taylor & Emily Bell

Their Grandchildren– Rebekah Taylor & Emily Bell

John & Susan Cash & Family

Bobby, Ivy, Addie & Hannah

Their Children and Grandchildren

Leslie Hull

Betty Duncan

Leslie Hull

His Children & Grandchildren

Frank Jenning

Lin McGaw Family

Lin McGaw Family

Debby and Marty

Chuck & Sheri Whitfield

Chuck & Sheri Whitfield

Debby & Marty

Steve and Marcia Parsons

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The James’s Family

John, Michelle, Austin, & Ashley

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Lynn Reviere and Family

Lynn Reviere and his Children & Grandchildren

Edwin Logan

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RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Anthem	“Angels We Have Heard on High”	UMH #238
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
Organ Offertory	“Now at the Manger Here I Stand” Helmut Walcha	Ed Logan
Doxology	See Insert	UMH #95

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion	A Service of Word and Table	See Insert
Giving of the Bread & Cup		
Hymn of Invitation*	“Silent Night”	UMH #239
Taking the Light into the World		

SENDING FORTH

Closing Hymn	“Joy to the World”	UMH #246
Benediction*		Rev. Sharon Bowers
Postlude*	“Noel Suisse” Louis–Claude De Quin	Ed Logan

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

LITURGY FOR ADVENT CANDLE

Liturgist: Beloved, today we welcome the Christ Child, the fulfillment of our joy, as we proclaim with the prophet Isaiah, “For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:6).

Congregation: Christ our joy has come near. Emmanuel, God with us, has come to dwell with us as a tiny baby. “His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this” (Isaiah 9:7).

Liturgist: We light this candle as a sign of Christ coming to dwell with us, to live in the neighborhood of vulnerable humanity as a vulnerable child. May the light of Christ warm our hearts and light our way as we share the joy of God’s salvation wherever we go.

A Service of Word & Table II

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. *The pastor may lift hands and keep them raised.*

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

Father Almighty (almighty God), creator of heaven and earth.

You created light out of darkness and brought forth life on the earth.

You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life.

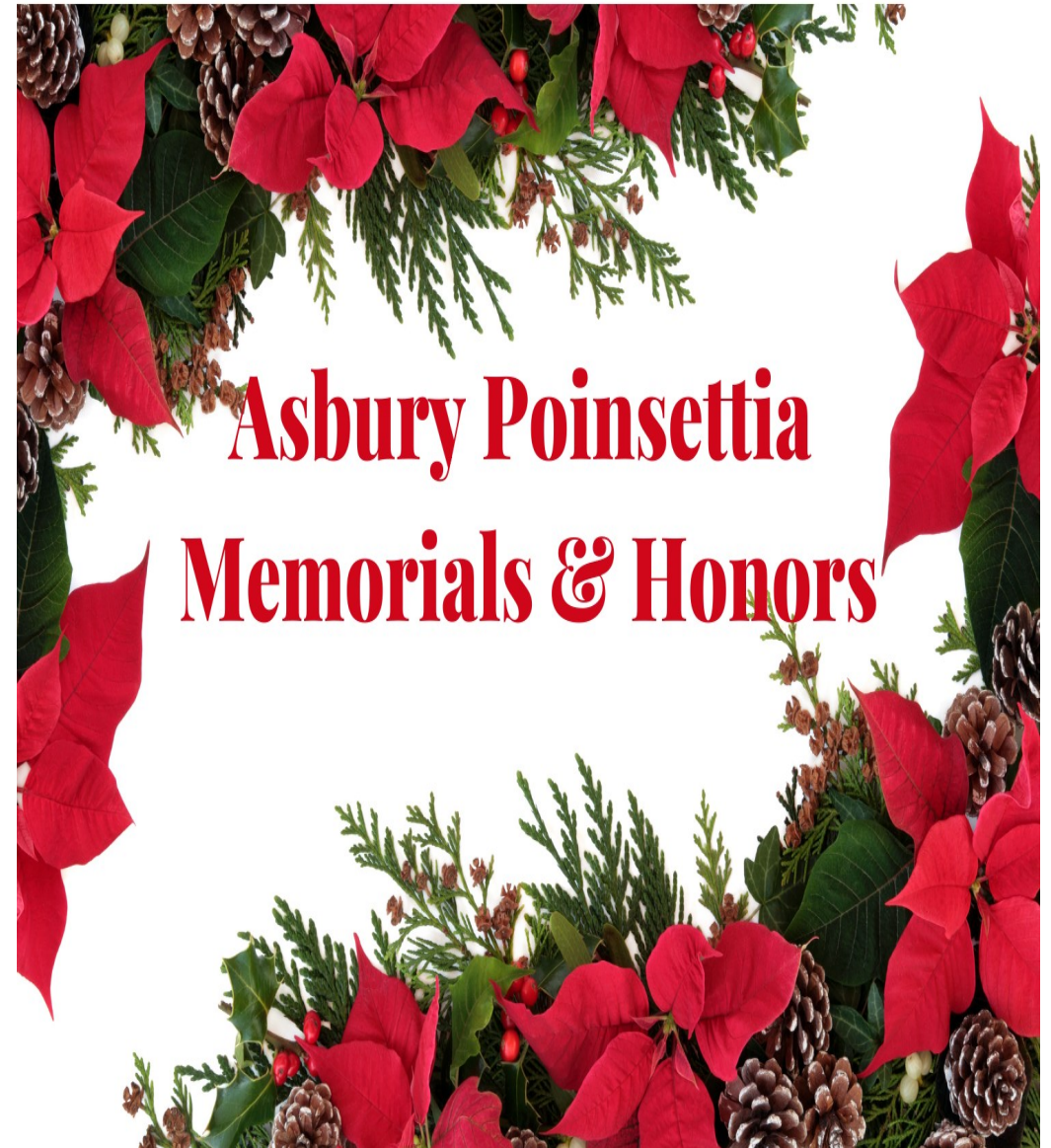
When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast.

You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through your prophets.

In the fullness of time, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior, and at his birth the angels sang glory to you in the highest and peace to your people on earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

2025 Christmas



ANNOUNCEMENTS
Let us know you’re here: Check in on the Church Center app, complete a connection card at www.asburylife.org , 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 https://asburylife.org/coming-up-at-asbury .
<ul style="list-style-type: none">This January, we are excited to launch several new Bible studies designed to deepen faith, encourage growth, and strengthen our walk with God: Check out the Small Group Gatherings in your bulletin for additional information.

<div>Children’s Ministry</div> <div>Wednesdays</div> <div>5:15–7:00 p.m.</div> <div>Asbury Fellowship Hall</div> <div>3 Churches 1 Mission / Asbury-Pruitt Hill-Tate Chapel</div> <div>Rotating Locations</div> <div>Growing Kids in Christ Together</div>
<div>Community Outreach Initiative:</div> <div>Morning Pointe Senior Center</div> <div>Morning Glory: <i>Faith for the Journey</i></div> <div>Thursdays 10-10:30 a.m. Come share scripture and encouragement with our beloved seniors.</div>
<div>Bible Studies Coming In January</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>Wrestling with Doubt: Finding Faith</i> 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.<i>Spiritual Practices for Soul Care</i> 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.<i>Pursued: God’s Relentless Love for You</i> 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.</div>

A Service of Word & Table II cont’d

The pastor may lower hands.
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The pastor may raise hands.
Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.
As Mary and Joseph went from Galilee to Bethlehem
and there found no room, so Jesus went from Galilee to Jerusalem and was despised and rejected.
As in the poverty of a stable Jesus was born, so by the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

The pastor may hold hands, palms down, over the bread, or touch the bread, or lift the bread.
As your Word became flesh, born of woman, on that night long ago, so, on the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

The pastor may hold hands, palms down, over the cup, or touch the cup, or lift the cup.
When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The pastor may raise hands.
And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

A Service of Word & Table Cont’d.

The pastor may hold hands, palms down, over the bread and cup.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

The pastor may raise hands.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever.




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.

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.

TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM							
Preaching:	Rev. Sharon Bowers, Lead Pastor						
Liturgist:	John Reviere						
Children's Message:	Sarah McMillan						
Organist/Pianist:	Ed Logan						
Music:	Choir						
Sounds/Livestream:	Christian Martin / Fletcher Sherrill / Zy Neal						
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