

# ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 10, 2016

## CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

10:15 A.M.

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CENTERING

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Sing praises to the Lord, O you faithful ones, and give thanks to God's holy name.

**People: Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!  
You have put gladness in our heart.**

Leader: You have turned our mourning into dancing; you have taken off our sackcloth and clothed us with joy.

**People: Let our souls praise you and not be silent. O Lord,  
our God, we will give thanks to you forever.**

\*HYMN            "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"    #154 UMH  
*(Verses 1,2,4,6)*

### OPENING PRAYER

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Merciful God, you call us to repentance and forgiveness through the death and resurrection of your son Jesus Christ. Help us to hear your call with the eagerness of the disciples. Turn us away from all distractions that keep us from seeing Jesus and knowing who he is. Forgive us when we neglect to study the scriptures and fail to seek your word of life. Forgive us when we do not respond to your call to feed your sheep. Help us to live as your beloved children now, and clothe us with joy. In the name of Jesus, the holy and righteous One. Amen.**

**\*RESPONSIVE READING** Psalm 30 #762 UMH  
**\*GLORIA** #71 UMH  
**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** #881 UMH

**THE FIRST READING** Acts 9:1-20 NT #159  
**\*THE GOSPEL READING** John 21:1-19 NT #145

The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** “Anticipating the Future”

**\*HYMN** “Because He Lives” #364 UMH

**CONCERNS AND PRAYERS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**ANTHEM** “It is Well with My Soul” John Ness Beck

**THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY** #95 UMH

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**God of all creation, we offer our thanksgiving and praise  
for your gifts that come to us with overflowing abundance.  
Give us the same generosity of spirit we find in you so that  
prosperity may extend throughout the earth. In the name  
of Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN** “Christ Is Risen” #307 UMH

**BENEDICTION** - *Following the blessing you may be seated as the  
candles are extinguished*

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**POSTLUDE**

*\*Congregation stands as able*

# WELCOME TO ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*Our Vision is to be the church that displays the love of Christ and connects with people of all walks of life through our ministry, creative services, discipleship, and outreach.*

**“Our Mission is to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ and share God’s love with others.”**

If you are visiting with us for the first time we thank you for worshipping with us and pray that this was a spiritually uplifting experience that will make a difference in the week to come.



**In Memory of:** Violet Ford, to honor her  
love and dedication to Asbury

**Given by:** Her daughters Nadia, Linda, and Durlah

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## **WORSHIP SERVICE PARTICIPANTS**

**Liturgist:** Beth Sheridan

**Scripture Reader:** Colleen Sheridan

**Guest Organist:** Justin Zepp

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**ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK: 33**

**Please remember to sign in each Sunday.**

### **OFFERING FOR LAST WEEK:**

Envelope (General)	\$ 2,425.00
Plate	0
Heater Campaign	1,815.00
Ministry of Kindness	103.00
Easter Envelop	10.00
Miscellaneous	<u>20.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,373.00</b>

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**Carol Gajewski** (*Nina's Mother*), Silver Stream Center, 905 Penllyn Pike, Spring House, PA 19477; **Ed Miller**, Paradise Manor, 206 E. Lincoln Avenue, Hatfield, PA 19440; **Henry Schlotterer**, Arden Courts, 620 West Valley Forge Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406; **Thelma Sme**e, Cokesbury Village, Healthcare Center, 726 Loveville Road, Hockessin, DE 19707; **Bill Swier**, Regina Nursing Home, RM 211, 550 E. Fornance ST, Norristown, PA 19401; **Elizabeth "Betty" Wright**, Gwynedd Square Nursing Home, 773 Sumneytown Pike, Lansdale PA 19446 B-wing/B31B

**PRAYERS FOR ENCOURAGEMENT & HEALING:** Edith Barbone, Lois & Tom Benning, Brooks Family, Robin Blattner & the Blattner Family, Stephen, Matt & Will Deering, Scotti DeMartinis & Jenny & Family, Jessie Emerson, David Frees, Sue & Anthony Fuschetto, Rachel Good, Shirley Jefferis, Sandy Killian, Roger Layne, Meaghen King, Eileen Lenzi, Bill McCarron, Family of Thelma McCaughey, Damon Oliver, Sherri Rinehart, Caroline Schwab, Gabe & Sherbi Seerattan, Hazel Shanaman, Mason Shapiro, Bill Swier, Linda Swier, Earl Walter, and Jane Westhafer

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED SERVICES:**  
Daniel Fineran, (Marine) and Brett Santai, (Navy)



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