

ASBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Laity Sunday October 16, 2016

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
10:15 A.M.

PRELUDE “The Call to Serve” Todd Kendall

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Guided by God, we gather to listen for truth and to discern the Spirit’s wisdom.

People: **God’s teachings are sweeter than honey. Christ’s love is more precious than jewels.**

Leader: The Spirit’s wisdom is mightier than the sword.

People: **God’s guidance is the treasure we seek.**

Leader: Holy Spirit, now move among us, and help us remember who we are.

People: **We are your church, gathered from people of every age, every culture, and made one people together in Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

All: **Let us worship God.**

***HYMN** “Now Thank We All Our God” #102, UMH

OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, O God, when we reject your teaching, and neglect your law. Forgive us when we ignore your words of love and compassion. Guide us back to you, that we may walk in your ways and live in your love. In Christ’s grace and mercy, we pray. Amen.

***RESPONSIVE READING** Psalm 119:1-8, 33-40 #840, UMH
(Response 3)

***GLORIA** #71, UMH

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** #881, UMH

THE FIRST READING Micah 6:6-8 OT #936

***THE GOSPEL READING** Matthew 22:37-39 NT #32

Matthew 16:24-25 NT #23

Matthew 28:19-20 NT #43

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE “Disciples Called to Action: Living Vital Worship”

Anne Taylor

***HYMN** “We Are the Church” (verses 1 &2) #558, UMH

CONCERNS AND PRAYERS

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANTHEM “Lay Up Your Treasures in Heaven” Pepper Choplin

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY “God Leads Us Along” Lyndell Leatherman

***DOXOLOGY** #95, UMH

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

May our gifts become instruments of your truth, and examples of your love. Plant new hope with these gifts, and build a world of justice with the ministries we dedicate to you now. In Christ’s name, we pray. Amen.

***HYMN** “Take Up Thy Cross” #415, UMH

BENEDICTION

Following the blessing you may be seated as the candles are extinguished.

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

POSTLUDE “Marche de Procession” Alexandre Guilmant

**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: Dorothy Oberholtzer
Given by: Cynthia Oberholtzer & Mariylnn Ziegler

WORSHIP SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Liturgist: John Keenan

Scripture Reader: Linda Keenan

Speaker: Anne Taylor

Organist: Tedd Didden

LAST WEEK

ATTENDANCE WEEK: 35

Please remember to sign in each Sunday.

OFFERING WEEK:

Envelope (General)	\$987.00
Plate	42.00
Miscellaneous	30.00
Total	<u>\$1,059.00</u>

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Carol Gajewski, Silver Stream Center, 905 Penllyn Pike, Spring House, PA 19477; **Ed Miller**, Golden Living Center, 25 W 5th ST, Lansdale PA 19446; **Henry Schlotterer**, Arden Courts, 620 W Valley Forge RD, King of Prussia, PA 19406; **Thelma Smee**, Cokesbury Village, Healthcare Center, 726 Loveville RD, 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 Sunnyside Pike, Lansdale PA 19446 B32B

PRAYERS FOR ENCOURAGEMENT & HEALING: Edith Barbone, Lois & Tom Benning, Brooks Family, Robin Blattner & the Blattner Family, Ben & Dolores Curll, Stephen, Matt & Will Deering, Scotti DeMartinis & Jenny & Family, William Eliasson, Jessie Emerson, David Frees, Sue & Anthony Fuschetto, Marian Giangliulo, Cecelia Hampton-Fitzgerald, Mary Ann Keating, Sandy Killian, Meaghen King, Roger Layne, Eileen Lenzi, Marilyn Lewis, Bill McCarron, Damon Oliver, Sherri Rinehart, Caroline Schwab, Gabe & Sherbi Seerattan, Hazel Shanaman, Mason Shapiro, Henry Solis, Linda Swier, Jim Thompson, Earl Walter, and Wayne Wylie, Sr.

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



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