



## Prayer Request Card

*If you would like to share a prayer request, please detach this form and place it in one of the Bread Tins as the children circulate them after the Children's Celebration.*

*(Please Print)*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Prayer Concern:

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Your Name (optional):

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Please keep my prayer concern confidential

Please add my prayer concern to the prayer list in the bulletin.

Please remove my concern from the prayer list.

## Announcements

\*Our Revelation Bible Study begins tomorrow evening, Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. We will meet for 7 weeks on Monday nights from 6:00 pm-7:30 pm in Brown Chapel. Please let Curtis know if you are interested. All materials can be found free of charge on our website (asburymethodist.org). See you then!

\*The Friendship Circle's annual Soup and Salad Luncheon will be held next Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall. A delicious Valentine's Day-themed lunch will be served immediately following worship. Everyone is invited to enjoy the food, fun and fellowship!

\*Church Council will meet on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm. Items on the agenda include a Master Plan presentation by Matt Sprouse. The entire congregation is encouraged to attend and offer feedback.

\*Asbury is offering two Ash Wednesday services on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be a worship experience at 7:00 am and a worship service at 7:00 pm. Friends and neighbors are welcome.

\*For those interested in hearing about his African medical work over the past two years, Dr. John Stewart will be doing another show and talk after our worship service on Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup> in the Fellowship Hall. Join us!

*A nursery (infant-2 yrs old) is provided by church volunteers during our worship service. Children's Church (an extended lesson and free time for children 3 yrs old through 1<sup>st</sup> grade) dismisses after the Bread Tin Offering. These children may be picked up by the Nursery after worship concludes.*

## This Week at Asbury

Today: 9:45 am-Sunday School [Classrooms]  
9:45 am-Safe Sanctuary Training [Fellowship Hall]  
11:00 am-Worship [Sanctuary]  
8:00 pm-Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]

Monday 7:00 am-Emmaus Group [Youth Room]  
3:00 pm-6:00 pm-Church Office Hours  
6:00 pm-Revelation Bible Study [Brown Chapel]  
*Church Office Closed*

Tuesday *Church Office Closed*  
Wednesday *Bulletin Deadline*  
3:00 pm-6:00 pm-Church Office Hours  
5:45 pm-AI-Anon Meeting [Brown Chapel]  
6:00 pm-Handbell Rehearsal [Sanctuary]  
7:00 pm-Choir Rehearsal [Choir Room]  
8:00 pm-Narcotics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]

Thursday 3:00 pm-6:00 pm-Church Office Hours  
Friday *Church Office Closed*  
8:00 pm-Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]

Saturday *Church Office Closed*  
Sunday (2.15.2015) 9:45 am-Sunday School [Classrooms]  
11:00 am-Worship [Sanctuary]  
12:00 pm-Friendship Circle's Soup and Salad Luncheon [Fellowship Hall]  
4:30 pm-Church Council Meeting [Brown Chapel]  
8:00 pm-Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]

## The Ministry of Worship

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## A Service of Worship

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Epiphany  
February 8, 2015  
Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church  
www.asburymethodist.org

*If you are visiting with us today, we are glad you are here!  
Please take a moment to fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering plate as it circulates.  
The congregation reads the words in **bold** type.*

### Entrance

Prelude  
Chiming of the Trinity  
The Light of Christ Enters Our Gathering  
Choral Introit....."Come and Worship"  
[arr. Patti Drennan; Lorenz Publishing Co., 2010]  
Apostolic Greeting  
⊕ Hymn #160....."Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"  
⊕ Responsive Reading #859.....Psalm 147  
⊕ Gloria Patri #70

**♪ 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.  
Amen. ♪**

### Proclamation and Response

Children's Celebration  
Collection of our Bread Tin Offering and Announcements

*\*The February Bread Tin collections, a loose change offering, will go to buy bus passes for the women who are a part of Room in the Inn. These passes help them get to their jobs, appointments, classes at A-B Tech, and other places that are important in their journey away from homelessness. Thank you for giving generously!*

*\*\*You may also place a prayer card in one of the bread tins if you have a special prayer request you'd like to share.*

Prayer for Illumination:

**Holy God, speak to us  
what has been told from the beginning,  
your Word that is the foundation of the world.  
Amen.**

⊕ the congregation standing, if able.

First Lesson.....I Corinthians 9:16-23 [NRSV NT p.161 in pew Bible]

<sup>16</sup>If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel!  
<sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

<sup>19</sup>For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God’s law but am under Christ’s law) so that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that I might by all means save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Choral Anthem.....“On Eagles’ Wings”  
*[by Michael Joncas; arr. Douglas E. Wagner; New Dawn Publishing, 1993]*

Second Lesson.....Mark 1:29-39 [NRSV NT p.33 in pew Bible]

<sup>29</sup>As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. <sup>30</sup>Now Simon’s mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. <sup>31</sup>He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

<sup>32</sup>That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. <sup>33</sup>And the whole city was gathered around the door. <sup>34</sup>And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

<sup>35</sup>In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. <sup>36</sup>And Simon and his companions hunted for him. <sup>37</sup>When they found him, they said to him, “Everyone is searching for you.” <sup>38</sup>He answered, “Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.” <sup>39</sup>And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon..... Rev. Goforth  
☩ Hymn #496.....“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

☩ *the congregation standing, if able.*

### Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People  
...Lord in your mercy.  
**Hear our prayer.**

Silent Prayer  
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.**

Offering  
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Offertory

☩ Doxology #95

**♪ 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. ♪**

☩ Offertory Prayer

### Sending Forth

☩ Hymn #463.....“Lord, Speak to Me”  
☩ Benediction  
☩ Choral Benediction  
☩ The Light of Christ Leads Us  
☩ Postlude

☩ *the congregation standing, if able.*

### Prayer List

Bill McGeary, Addison McGeary, Lanny Warren, Francis and Jim Morehead, Jewel Winkler, David Roberson, Donna Braddock, Merle Buckner, Eleanor McGeary, Hughes Chisholm, Corey Jacobson, Leonard Apgar, Ralph Gaddy, Lad Ottofy, Kathy Keefe, Joann Langham Walters and her family, Mark and Mary-Jo Smith, Bill Hussey, Loretta Banner, Beth Jennings, the family of Michael Hinnant, Tracey Stebbing, Joanne Chinkers, Kitty Schaller and the family of Trish Barnes, Judi Harvin, Tom Hinkle, Ronald Dougherty, Ken Safrit, the Deckman Family, Shelton Dewberry, Ruth Morgan, the family of Claudia Stubblefield, our shut-ins.

### Volunteer Schedules

Volunteer Schedule for This Week February 8, 2015	
Counting Team	Elaine Poovey Claire Bailey
Lock-up Volunteer	Julie Niwinski Scott Glenn
Greeters	Nan Montague Margaret Tickle
Sanctuary Stewards	Bruce Kidder Elaine Price
Nursery Volunteers	Madeline Moseley Ann Young
Children’s Church	Claire Bailey
Children’s Message	Sallyanne McVay
Acolyte	Harper Shook
Lector	Jennifer Goforth
Ushers	Mardy Murphy Steve Rich Don Jackson Jessica Jackson

Volunteer Schedule for Next Week February 15, 2015	
Counting Team	Steve Rich Julie Niwinski
Lock-up Volunteer	Julie Niwinski Scott Glenn
Greeters	Sam Rich Elaine Rich
Sanctuary Stewards	Madeline Moseley Laurel Bishop
Nursery Volunteers	Bob Tucker Rebecca Tucker
Children’s Church	Jessica Jackson
Children’s Message	Curtis Goforth
Acolyte	Alana Bridger
Lector	Merritt Moseley
Ushers	Gary Tweed Toni Tweed Don McGeary John Stewart

### Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church Visitor’s Card

*We are grateful for the opportunity to contact you to let you know how glad we are that you visited! Your information will be kept private.*

*Please take a moment to fill out this card. It can be detached and placed in the offering plate as it circulates later in the service.*

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