



## 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

\*The Revelation Bible Study scheduled for Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled. Rev. Goforth has a continuing education event at Lake Junaluska that evening. Bible study will resume on Monday evening March 16<sup>th</sup>.

\*If you wish to be included in the church-wide Call 'Em All telephone announcement service, please contact David Warren via email or phone and he will add you to the list!

\*We will celebrate One Great Hour of Sharing on Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>. This special offering supports the critical ministry of UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). Gifts from One Great Hour of Sharing help cover administrative costs so that 100 percent of all other donations go to specific relief projects. Thank you in advance for giving generously!

\*Mark your calendars! Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship, the youth are sponsoring a Youth Mission Trip Fundraising Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. See you then!

\*Don't forget to add beef stew or any meal-in-a-can to your grocery list and donate to MANNA FoodBank. Place your goodies in the red barrel near the sanctuary or the red barrel near the eastside exit door. Thank you for helping those who are in need and hungry throughout WNC.

## Prayer List

Bill McGeary, Addison McGeary, Lanny Warren, Francis and Jim Morehead, Jewel Winkler, David Roberson, Merle Buckner, Eleanor McGeary, Hughes Chisholm, Corey Jacobson, Leonard Apgar, Ralph Gaddy, Bill Hussey, the family of Loretta Banner, Beth Jennings, Tracey Stebbing, Joanne Chinkers, Tom Hinkle, Ronald Dougherty, the Deckman Family, Shelton Dewberry, Ruth Morgan, Nancy Reid, Sharon Ash, Eric Niwinski, the Room In The Inn ladies, our shut-ins.

## This Week at Asbury

Today: 9:45 am-Sunday School [Classrooms]  
11:00 am-Worship [Sanctuary]  
8:00 pm-Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]  
Monday: *Revelation Bible Study is CANCELLED for tonight*  
7:00 am-Emmaus Group [Youth Room]  
3:00 pm-6:00 pm-Church Office Hours  
*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 Practice [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 (3.15.2015): *One Great Hour of Sharing*  
9:45 am-Sunday School [Classrooms]  
11:00 am-Worship [Sanctuary]  
12:00 pm-Youth Mission Trip Fundraising Luncheon [Fellowship Hall]  
8:00 pm-Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]

*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.*

## The Ministry of Worship

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## A Service of Worship

Lent 3-B  
March 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....."The Longer I Serve Him"  
[Fred Bock; Bock Publishing, 1991]  
Chiming of the Trinity  
The Light of Christ Enters Our Gathering  
Choral Introit....."What Wondrous Love is This"  
Apostolic Greeting  
⊕ Hymn #77....."How Great Thou Art"  
⊕ Responsive Reading #750.....Psalm 19  
⊕ 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 March Bread Tin collections, a loose change offering, will be used to support Medecins Sans Frontieres (Doctors Without Borders), the international medical aid organization with which Dr. John Stewart has volunteered his services in South Sudan twice in recent years. 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:

**Eternal God,  
who speaks to us in your word,  
give us insight to discern your will for us,  
to give up what harms us,  
and to seek the perfection  
we are promised in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

⊕ the congregation standing, if able.

Scripture Lesson.....Exodus 20:1-17 [NRSV OT p.63 in pew Bible]

<sup>1</sup>Then God spoke all these words: <sup>2</sup>I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>3</sup>you shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

<sup>8</sup>Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>10</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

<sup>12</sup>Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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

Choral Anthem.....“Here Is Love Vast As the Ocean”  
*[Robert Lowery; Abingdon Press, 2007]*

Gospel Lesson.....John 2:13-22 [NRSV NT p.87 in pew Bible]

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. <sup>15</sup>Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>He told those who were selling the doves, “Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father’s house a marketplace!” <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.” <sup>18</sup>The Jews then said to him, “What sign can you show us for doing this?” <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?” <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking of the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

Sermon..... Rev. Goforth  
⊕ Hymn #295.....“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

### 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

*If you are visiting with us this morning,  
please take a moment to fill out the visitors’ card  
on the far right side of the bulletin.*

*You may place it in one of the offering plates as they circulate.*

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 #363.....“And Can It Be that I Should Gain”  
⊕ Benediction  
⊕ Choral Benediction  
⊕ The Light of Christ Leads Us  
⊕ Postlude

⊕ *the congregation standing, if able.*

## Volunteer Schedules

Volunteer Schedule for This Week March 8, 2015	
Counting Team	Merritt Moseley SueLane Muesing
Lock-up Volunteer	Mark Smith Larry Wilson
Greeters	Cynthia Stewart John Stewart
Sanctuary Stewards	Derick Tickle Margaret Tickle
Nursery Volunteers	Mary Morgan Derek Morgan
Children’s Church	Margaret Tickle
Children’s Message	Margaret Tickle
Acolyte	Harper Shook
Lector	David Warren
Ushers	Bud Allison Geri Allison Don Jackson Jessica Jackson

Volunteer Schedule for Next Week March 15, 2015	
Counting Team	Doug Tallent Janie Wilson
Lock-up Volunteer	Mark Smith Larry Wilson
Greeters	Jessica Withers Kitty Schaller
Sanctuary Stewards	Gordon Jones Joan Jones
Nursery Volunteers	Janie Wilson TBD
Children’s Church	Madeline Moseley
Children’s Message	Madeline Moseley
Acolytes	Eliza Jackson Chloe Jackson
Lector	Jessica Jackson
Ushers	Don McGearry John Stewart Gary Tweed Toni Tweed

## 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.*

*(please print)*

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