



## 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 Friendship Circle's annual Soup and Salad Luncheon is *TODAY* 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 *TODAY* 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.

\*On Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 pm in the Fellowship Hall, Sallyanne will lead an Ash Wednesday Gathering for children and families. This hands-on activity time will focus on Ash Wednesday and Lent. Families are asked to bring a can of Chicken Noodle Soup to add to the soup pot which will be shared at 6:30 pm so that everyone may attend the Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00 pm. PLEASE RSVP to [sallyanne@asburymethodist.org](mailto:sallyanne@asburymethodist.org) so that there will sufficient supplies. See you then!

\*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!

## 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, 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, Tom Hinkle, Ronald Dougherty, Ken Safrit, the Deckman Family, Shelton Dewberry, Ruth Morgan, the family of Claudia Stubblefield, Nancy Reid, our shut-ins.

## This Week at Asbury

Today: 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]  
Monday: *Newsletter Deadline*  
7:00 am-Emmaus Group [Youth Room]  
3:00 pm-6:00 pm-Church Office Hours  
6:00 pm-Revelation Bible Study [Brown Chapel]  
Tuesday: *Church Office Closed*  
Wednesday: *Ash Wednesday*  
*Bulletin Deadline*  
7:00 am-Ash Wednesday Worship [Sanctuary]  
3:00 pm-6:00 pm-Church Office Hours  
5:45 pm-AI-Anon Meeting [Brown Chapel]  
5:45 pm-Children's Gathering [Fellowship Hall]  
7:00 pm-Ash Wednesday Service [Sanctuary]  
8:00 pm-Narcotics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]  
Thursday: 10:00 am-Asheville Urban Missional Network Meeting  
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 (2.22.2015): 9:45 am-Sunday School [Classrooms]  
11:00 am-Worship [Sanctuary]  
8:00 pm-Alcoholics Anonymous [Fellowship Hall]

## The Ministry of Worship

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## A Service of Worship

Transfiguration Sunday-B  
February 15, 2015  
Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church  
[www.asburymethodist.org](http://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....."In The Garden"  
*The Asbury Quartet*

Chiming of the Trinity  
The Light of Christ Enters Our Gathering  
Choral Introit....."Come and Worship"  
*[music by Patti Drennan; Lorenz Publishing, 2010]*

Apostolic Greeting  
⊕ Hymn #103....."Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"  
⊕ Responsive Reading #783.....Psalm 50:1-6 only  
⊕ 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.** ♪

## 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:

**Give us ears, O God, to hear your word  
beyond our own expectations.  
Let your Holy Spirit infuse us with insight,  
in the light of your continued Epiphany in our midst.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

⊕ *the congregation standing, if able.*

First Lesson.....2 Kings 2:1-12 [NRSV OT p.317 in pew Bible]

<sup>1</sup>Now when the Lord was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup>Elijah said to Elisha, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. <sup>3</sup>The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he said, “Yes, I know; keep silent.”

<sup>4</sup>Elijah said to him, “Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. <sup>5</sup>The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, “Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know; be silent.”

<sup>6</sup>Then Elijah said to him, “Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. <sup>7</sup>Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. <sup>8</sup>Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

<sup>9</sup>When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.” Elisha said, “Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.” <sup>10</sup>He responded, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.” <sup>11</sup>As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. <sup>12</sup>Elisha kept watching and crying out, “Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

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

Choral Anthem.....“Spirit, Shine on Us”  
*[arr. Lloyd Larson; Daybreak Music, 1996]*

Second Lesson.....Mark 9:2-10 [NRSV NT p.41 in pew Bible]

<sup>2</sup>Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, <sup>3</sup>and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. <sup>4</sup>And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup>Then Peter said to Jesus, “Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.” <sup>6</sup>He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. <sup>7</sup>Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, “This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!” <sup>8</sup>Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

<sup>9</sup>As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. <sup>10</sup>So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what this rising from the dead could mean.

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

Sermon..... Rev. Goforth  
✠Hymn #173.....“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

### 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.....Brittany Neal  
*Guest Soloist*

✠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 #98.....“To God Be the Glory”

✠Benediction

✠Choral Benediction #898.....“Three-fold Amen”

✠The Light of Christ Leads Us

✠Postlude.....“I Want Jesus to Walk With Me”

*[arr. Mark Hayes; Lorenz Publishing, 2011]*

✠*the congregation standing, if able.*

*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.*

## Volunteer Schedules

Volunteer Schedule for This 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 TBD

Volunteer Schedule for Next Week February 22, 2015	
Counting Team	Tim Bailey Scott Glenn
Lock-up Volunteer	Julie Niwinski Scott Glenn
Greeters	Arlee Banks Madeline Moseley
Sanctuary Stewards	Steve Rich Judy Rich
Nursery Volunteers	Margaret Tickle Derick Tickle
Children’s Church	Mardy Murphy
Children’s Message	Sallyanne McVay
Acolytes	Lylah Goforth Cora Goforth
Lector	Katie Warren
Ushers	Robert Wiltshire Debbie Wiltshire Mike Rice Sherry Rice

## 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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