

# *Asbury*

## *United Methodist Church*

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Senior Pastor, Dr. V. Scott Harris  
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Youth Pastor, Jake Burton

Minister of Music & Congregational Care, Tom Pieper

**December 3, 2017**

**8:15 and 11:00 AM**



**Welcome and Announcements      Dr. V. Scott Harris**

**\*Passing the Peace**

*Please take a moment to greet the people around you with a warm smile and a handshake.*

**Prelude      “Jesu, Joy Of Man’s Desiring”      Arr: Hayes**  
Alisa Alexander and Lani Schuma cher

**Invocation**

**Call to Worship      “Light the Light, The Fire Of Life”      vs. 1**

**Lighting of the Advent Candle**

**\*Hymn #211      “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”      vs. 1, 2, 5, 6, 7**

**“Advent Hope” Video**

**Special Music      “Jesus, the Light Of The World”      Arr: Lister**  
Hearts Of Praise

**Morning Prayer**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Hymn #221      “In The Bleak Mid-Winter”      vs. 1, 4**

**Worship with Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory Prayer**

**Offertory Anthem      “Adore”      Arr: Clydesdale**  
Worship Choir

**\*Doxology**

**Scripture      Luke 1:5-25**  
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**Message**

**Dr. V. Scott Harris**

*“Zachariah and Elizabeth”*

**Invitation to Christian Disciple and Church Membership**

**\*Hymn #213 “Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” vs 1-3**

**Reception into Church Membership**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Congregation Response**

*“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”*

**Refrain**

**Postlude**

*“People Look East”*

Arr: Shaw

Alisa Alexander and Lani Schumacher

**ASSISTING IN TODAY’S SERVICE**

**Minister of Music**

**Tom Pieper**

**Worship Leader**

**8:15: Shawn Klein**

**11:00: Patricia Orlando**

**Scripture Readers**

**8:15: Shawn Klein**

**11:00: Letha Heulitt**

**Ushers**

**8:15: Paul McCormick, Gary Noll, Hal Card, Renoula McCormick**

**11:00: Larry Pennington, Ivan Valdes, Chuck Burt, Stacy Smith, Phil Kopman**

**Greeters**

**8:15: Linda Floyd, Rod and Linda Binge, Lucy Hulsey, Shirley Gurney**

**11:00: Peggy May, Susan Rial, Pat Lockeby**

**Advent Candle Lighters**

**8:15: Bob and Marianne Cantu**

**11:00: Jim and Nancy Van Horn**

**Hearts of Praise**

**Nancy King, Bev Aycock, Wanda Brown**

**THE FLOWERS AT THE WORSHIP CENTER are placed to the glory of God and in memory of Charles Moore by Tom & Sheryl Moore.**

# CELEBRATION

December 3, 2017  
9:30 AM  
Rev. Mike Luzinski

Welcome and Kingdom Opportunities      Pastor Mike

Passing the Peace

Lighting of the Advent Candle

*“O Come All Ye Faithful”*

*“He Has Come For Us”*

Mission Moment

Morning Prayer

Invitation to Kids' Worship

*“God With Us”*

*“Advent Hope”* Video

Scripture                      Luke 1:5-25

Message    Pastor Mike

*“Unbelievable Hope”*

*“Sweet Baby Jesus Boy”*                      Terri Ikemeier

Communion

Offering

*“Great I Am”*

Responsive Liturgy

*“Angels From The Realms Of Glory/Emmanuel”*

Benediction

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Worship Leader	Chris Kovic
Video Technician	Kitty Kovic
	Joe Bradford
Sound Technician	Steve Johnson

**Greeters/Offering/Set Up**

**The Smith Family**

**Advent Candle Lighters**

**The McDavid**

**Praise Team: Stephen Aldridge, Nikki Alvarez, Steve Davis, James Garoutsos, Michelle Rosario-Gonzalez, Terri Ikemeier, Steve Marsee, Steve Peck, Art Scott, Lisa Wallace**

**Next Week**

**December 10, 2017**

**8:15 & 11:00 AM**

**Dr. V. Scott Harris**

***“Elizabeth and Mary, Waiting Expectantly”***

**9:30 AM**

**Rev. Mike Luzinski**

### **ASBURY UMC KINGDOM OPPORTUNITIES 12/03/2017**

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Please keep the following beloved in your prayers: BJ Abbott, Lou Allen, Robin Andre', Gerry Aycrigg, Randy Baird, Bob Barton, Maxine Bartz, Brian Bateson, Willow Bevin, Paul & Jane Bilyeu, Linda Binge, Larry Bittle, Woody Blaker, Bill Bowmar, Edith Burt, Hal Card, Harold Card, Jr., Sharon Case, Jack Cooper, Ken Corbett, Beth Daniels, Rhonda Dohora, Wayne Ege, Hetty Evans, Charlie File, Laurie Gatus, Bob & Ricki Goodin, Michael Groves, Midge Guest, Mary Hanley, Ann Herzog, Charley Hogue, Zachary Hunt, Janet Hunter, Art Hutchinson, Deborah Jaffe, Greg Johnson, Harry Johnston, Richard Kaiser, Karen Kaufman, Anne Kirby, Betty Kirk, Patty Kirkland, Marie Koch, Herman Long, Frank Marcey, Gerry McDonald, Jed McGahey, John and Joyce McLeod, Jim McNabb, Gabby Moldin, Loretta Peters, Albert Phillips, Camille Piering, Nancy Pilk, Renell Preston, Peggy Rester, Betty Richelieu, Aida Rodriguez, Marcia Russell, Mary Beth Russell, Roy Sampley, Gerald Shelley, Terry Sneiderman, Ron Staehler, Nancy Trinchitella, Bobby Weiser, Earl Witmer.

**ANGEL TREE MINISTRY:** This Christmas season Asbury is doing the Angel Tree Prison Ministry. This is a prison ministry that reaches out to the children and families supporting the children of prison inmates. We can do the shopping for you!! Monetary donations need to be made by **TODAY** and marked as "Angel Tree Ministry". All gifts need to be returned to the church by **TODAY**. We will be having a Christmas party to give out the gifts and share the message of Christmas to these children and families on December 9th. Your help is appreciated! For additional information, please contact Carla Smith @ [kevcarg67@gmail.com](mailto:kevcarg67@gmail.com) or call 407-595-8323.

**CHRISTMAS DAY AND EVE SERVICES:** There will be only two Christmas day services on **Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**. The traditional service will be held in the sanctuary at 10:00 am and the Celebration service will be held in the fellowship hall at 9:30 am. Christmas Eve services are the Family service at 5:00 pm in the fellowship hall, 7:30 pm Candlelight and Carols service in the sanctuary with communion after the service is over, and the 11:00 pm Candlelight, Carols and Communion service in the sanctuary.

**HAITI MISSION SCHOOL:** All are welcome to join the Open Door class in the chapel **TODAY** from 9:45 to 10:45 to hear about the Haiti mission school.

**BOX TOPS: PLEASE** keep on bringing box tops to church. Lake Orienta school really appreciates them. You may also bring Progresso soup labels as they have box tops on them. Basket is in the narthex hallway. Thank you for the box tops received in 2017. We have given \$145 to Lake Orienta School to help them obtain needed supplies. Please keep up the good work in 2018.

### **UMW ACTIVITIES**

**WOMEN'S CIRCLES:** The Hannah Circle meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday at 9:30 am in the parlor, Mary Martha Circle meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 10:00 am in the parlor, Ruth Circle meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 7:00 pm in the parlor, and Trinity Circle meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 10:30 am in the parlor. If you would be interested in joining one of these circles or for more information, contact Carla Smith, [kevcar67@gmail.com](mailto:kevcar67@gmail.com).

### **UMM ACTIVITIES**

**SATURDAY BREAKFAST:** All men are invited to the Saturday breakfast on **December 2nd** at 7:30 am in the fellowship hall. Bring a friend and enjoy a full and hearty breakfast.

**OURM MINISTRY:** The next visit by Asbury men to the Orlando Union Rescue Mission is **TODAY**. Joe McGahey will be the speaker and Debbie Aldridge will play the piano. They meet in the fellowship hall parking lot and leave at 6:15 pm. Please place toiletries in the containers in the narthex for the men and women clients of the mission. Contact: Bob Burkhart.

**JESUS IS THE REASON:** The UMM is presently selling a perfect Christmas present. A yard sign that reads "Jesus Is The Reason For The Season." The signs sell for \$5.00 each and are available in the church office or you may contact one of the UMM board members.

**THE TRUTH ABOUT CHRISTMAS:** The Asbury Christmas Choir will be presenting **THE TRUTH ABOUT CHRISTMAS** concert on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm, Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm, and Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. As always, there will be cookies and punch in the courtyard after each performance. Join us for an evening of music and worship to celebrate the birth of our Lord.

**COOKIES!!!** We are calling all of you wonderful cookie bakers to help the choir with their cookie receptions after the Christmas concerts. We need cookies for all three concerts. You may bring your cookies to the church office or the kitchen any time Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. Please help us keep our hungry concert attenders happy.

**MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY: TODAY** is membership Sunday at Asbury.

**2018 FLOWER CALENDAR:** The 2018 flower calendar is now available for you to sign up for altar flowers. The calendar is located in the narthex. Please print legibly your name and to whom or what you would like to dedicate the flowers in memory or in honor. Cost is \$50 for both arrangements.

**PETAL PUSHERS:** Feeling the push to become a Petal Pusher? Then call Stephen or Debbie Aldridge at 321-422-0113. All you have to do is rearrange the beautiful donated altar flowers into smaller vases and deliver them to some of our Asbury family that are needing a special smile to brighten their day. A few hours one Monday each month and a heart full of love are all you need! Pray about it!

### **CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**

**ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING OPPORTUNITY:** We are seeking families or couples to light the candle and read scripture during the worship services in December. Please contact Kendra Roark via email at [roark.kendra@gmail.com](mailto:roark.kendra@gmail.com) for details.

**BUDS & BLOSSOMS:** We're "bloomin' for Jesus." Join us on Sunday mornings in Room 16 for Kids' Worship from 9:30 to 10:30 and 11:00 to 12:00. There is also "**Bible Science**" on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 in room 16 during WNL. We are seeking **volunteers** during the 9:30 and 11:00 services to assist or lead Sunday school lessons. Please contact Kendra Roark via email at [roark.kendra@gmail.com](mailto:roark.kendra@gmail.com) for details.

### **YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

**ROOTED:** Our youth meet every Sunday morning in the youth room from 10:30 to 12:00. We are meeting on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 in the youth room until December 6th. Join us for dinner, Worship, Bible Study and games! On Sunday evenings, the youth meet for Dinner and Devo's from 6:00 to 8:00 in the youth room. There might be some games mixed in there, too.

**NEW WEBSITE:** We are excited to announce the launch of our all new website! Here you will find all of our upcoming events, mission and fundraising information, as well as a handful of other fun details! Check it out at: [www.rootedaumc.org](http://www.rootedaumc.org)

**CHRISTMAS T-SHIRTS:** We will be selling Christmas shirts to help spread the word about our Christmas eve services. They come in red or green and can be ordered through the Rooted website by filling out the "Visit Us" box. You can also leave your orders and money with the office staff. All shirts will be \$10! Pre-orders will end on 12/5.

**YES GROUP:** The YES Group is going strong. The next meeting will be **Tuesday, December 12th**, in the fellowship hall. Lunch begins at 12:00 and the program is The Joy Uke Club (ukulele band) and the menu is beef brisket with root vegetables, rice pilaf, Hanukkah salad, challah bread, lemon bars.

**PRAYER MINISTRY:** Our prayer ministry team is a vital ministry for our church. They meet once a month as a group and then someone prays over our prayer requests in the chapel every day. The next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, December 6th**, at 1:30 pm in the Welcome Friends classroom. If you feel led to be a member of this ministry, please contact Mavis Treat at 407-699-8654.

**PAUL CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: December 17th** will be our next chance to give blood. The Big Red Bus will be in our fellowship hall parking lot from 8:00 to 1:00. Please donate and help save a life.

### **RED BAG MINISTRY:**

There are some changes in our Red Bag Food program this year. We are continuing to supply Red Bag Food Monthly to Hungerford School in Eatonville. This year though, instead of providing weekly bags for kiddos to take home, we are feeding both kids and their families with food in the Community Pantry. This is a necessary need for kids and their families as well as seniors who need extra food. The wonderful professionals and volunteers even deliver much needed food to families as many of the families don't have transportation to pick up food. There are many additional needs such as soap and toothpaste and even tooth brushes needed. Also socks and underwear are always needed for sizes 6-14. This neighborhood school include many homeless and children living in less than ideal motels so always need basic items like laundry soap and dryer sheets. This Congregation is so very generous and being the neighbor is truly what Asbury UMC is all about.

We were able to provide a few pair of khaki, navy and jeans from our wonderful Rummage Sale, but there is always a need for uniform pants as they only provide children with one pair of pants and parents must purchase extra pants/shorts. Also for the cooler months, long sleeve shirts with no logos to wear under their polo uniform shirts. There is a box located next to the Red Bag drop off you can drop these items off and they will be delivered with the food. I will have many new and exciting opportunities for Asbury to partner with Hungerford Elementary in the near future and know you will want to be a part of it. This is what loving your neighbor is all about. Thank you. Patti Etzkin, Mission Coordinator.

There is a box in the narthex marked "**Kicks and Coats for Kids**" where you may bring new or gently used children's shoes, coats, jackets, socks, and gloves to be given out to the children at Hungerford. Sizes would be for children ages 6 thru 11. This is an ongoing mission.

### **SERVING THE LORD AT ASBURY**

- **ALTAR GUILD: December**– Marianne Cantu, Terry Celones, Susan Hoke
- **FELLOWSHIP TIME CLEANUP: December**– Apokaradokia Class
- **SANCTUARY ANGELS:** Camille Piering, Betty Kendall, Molly Verbraeken, Ruth Sprou, Karen Jensen, Grace Southern, Pat Woodard
- **PETAL PUSHERS:** Stephen & Debbie Aldridge, 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday-Joy Row and Janna Fatic
- **PRO PRESENTER:** Kitty Kovic, Joe Bradford, Art Hutchinson, Greg Lee
- **SOUND TECHNICIAN:** Greg Lee, Steve Johnson
- **VAN DRIVERS: December** – Dave Gallant, Jack Frye, Bob Anoka

