

365

EV *Everyday God.*



PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (11:00)

Holy, Holy, Holy

Chancel Choir

WELCOME

HYMN OF PRAISE

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

#89

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

PASSING OF THE PEACE

BAPTISM (11:00)

Brett, Cooper, & Walker Parrish

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (11:00)

Brett, Lauren, Cooper, & Walker Parrish
Nicole Williams

MORNING 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.

RESPONDING WITH OUR GENEROSITY

OFFERTORY

We Believe

Jeff Sullivan

DOXOLOGY

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Mike Holly

Following Children's Moment, kindergarten-second graders are invited to Children's Church (for a Bible lesson and fun) for the remainder of the service in Room 214. Nursery care is also available - exit right and go to the end of the hall. Activity binders can be found at the Welcome Center.

SCRIPTURE

8:30: Daniel 10:1-21 (GNT)

In the third year that Cyrus was emperor of Persia, a message was revealed to Daniel, who is also called Belteshazzar. The message was true but extremely hard to understand. It was explained to him in a vision. At that time I was mourning for three weeks. I did not eat any rich food or any meat, drink any wine, or comb my hair until the three weeks were past. On the twenty-fourth day of the first month of the year I was standing on the bank of the mighty Tigris River. I looked up and saw someone who was wearing linen clothes and a belt of fine gold. 6 His body shone like a jewel. His face was as bright as a flash of lightning, and his eyes blazed like fire. His arms and legs shone like polished bronze, and his voice sounded like the roar of a great crowd. I was the only one who saw the vision. Those who were with me did not see anything, but they were terrified and ran and hid. I was left there alone, watching this amazing vision. I had no strength left, and my face was so changed that no one could have recognized me. When I heard his voice, I fell to the ground unconscious and lay there face downward. Then a hand took hold of me and raised me to my hands and knees; I was still trembling. The angel said to me, "Daniel, God loves you. Stand up and listen carefully to what I am going to say. I have been sent to you." When he had said this, I stood up, still trembling. Then he said, "Daniel, don't be afraid. God has heard your prayers ever since the first day you decided to humble yourself in order to gain understanding. I have come in answer to your prayer. The angel prince of the kingdom of Persia opposed me for twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief angels, came to help me, because I had been left there alone in Persia. I have come to make you understand what will happen to your people in the future. This is a vision about the future." When he said this, I stared at the ground, speechless. Then the angel, who looked like a human being, reached out and touched my lips. I said to him, "Sir, this vision makes me so weak that I can't stop trembling. I am like a slave standing before his master. How can I talk to you? I have no strength or breath left in me." Once more he took hold of me, and I felt stronger. He said, "God loves you, so don't let anything worry you or frighten you." When he had said this, I felt even stronger and said, "Sir, tell me what you have to say. You have made me feel better." He said, "Do you know why I came to you? It is to reveal to you what is written in the Book of Truth. Now I have to go back and fight the guardian angel of Persia. After that the guardian angel of Greece will appear. There is no one to help me except Michael, Israel's guardian angel.

11:00: Jeremiah 6:16 (NRSVUE)

Thus says the Lord: Stand at the crossroads and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies; and walk in it, and find rest for your souls. But they said, "We will not walk in it."

ANTHEM (11:00)
A Song at the Crossroads

Chancel Choir

SERMON

8:30:
"Prayer, Power, and Angels"
11:00:
"Crossroads"

Rev. Garrett Harper

Rev. Mike Holly

HYMN OF COMMITMENT

#405

Seek Ye First

SENDING FORTH

Pastor: We came to worship.

People: We go to serve and grow.

Pastor: Let us go forth to embody the way of Jesus, together.

All: Amen.

BLESSING RESPONSE

Go Forth for God

POSTLUDE

LEADERS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Rev. Garrett Harper
Urban Ministry Executive Director
Rev. Mike Holly
Senior Pastor
Rev. Griffen Cope
Associate Pastor

MUSIC

Nancy Beard, *Music Director*
Ellen Stanton, Grayson Lawrence,
Jeff Sullivan, Leigh Ann Sterrenberg

PRODUCTION CREW

Michael Morris
Tech Director
Amy Gonzalez
Ministry & Mission Executive Director

WORSHIP ATTENDANTS (11:00)

Jackson Norton, *Acolyte*
Sam Harley, *Acolyte*
James Norton, *Bible Bearer*

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OCTOBER 4, 2026

ATTENDANCE

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1129

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**NEED HEARING
ASSISTANCE?**

Hearing assistance devices are available at the sound booth located in the back of the sanctuary. Ask Michael Morris for assistance.

GUEST PREACHER: REV. GARRETT HARPER

We are honored to welcome the Rev. Garrett Harper to Asbury today. Garrett is a clergy member of the North Alabama Conference of The United Methodist Church and serves as executive director of Urban Ministry, a faith-based nonprofit working alongside residents to build a thriving community in Birmingham's West End.



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 1, 2026

On All Saints' Day, we publicly remember and honor those who have passed away within this past year. Celebrated on the first Sunday in November, we will light candles, and call the names of those lost in the previous year as a way of honoring the impact their lives have had on us. We will light candles for Asbury UMC member, non member saints, and others



Please scan the QR code and provide the name of your loved one who passed away within the last twelve months (November 1, 2025 through November 1, 2026) and your relationship.



WELCOME TO ASBURY!

IS THIS YOUR FIRST VISIT? Look for a teal "Connect Card" in your pew, fill it out, and take it to the welcome center outside this worship space before leaving today. We'd love to say hello and treat you to a hand-crafted Prodigal Pottery mug & bag of O'Henry's coffee.

DO YOU WORSHIP HERE REGULARLY? Please register your attendance by filling out the attendance pad located at the end of your row and pass it along to the person beside you. Or, scan the QR code with your smartphone and register online.

DO YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST? Our pastors and/or prayer team would be honored to lift up your joy or concern. You'll find a red "Prayer Request" card in your pew. Fill it out and take it to the welcome center after worship. Online prayer requests can also be submitted via the QR code above.

IS ASBURY STARTING TO FEEL LIKE HOME? Visit our Next Steps area immediately following worship. If you're interested in church membership or simply getting more connected, stop by for a short conversation with a member of the pastoral team or staff.

LOOKING FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ASBURY EVENTS? Scan the QR code above, pick up an Asbury Magazine, or visit asburybham.org/now.

