

Pray for: all impacted by COVID19; Jana's Uncle Wendell & Aunt Virginia (COVID19); Trendi Moss; Nikola Jans (3mo w/heart problems); Marj Nass; Tom Rittscher; Passow family; Marcy Maass; a young stroke victim; Linda (cancer); snowbirds; Don Bottorff; Dr. Sahai; Hannah Brandt (teen cancer warrior); Bradley (chemo); Garry Staley; Steve Butler; Jennifer Van Diest; Anita Gaul; Kyzer Stanley; Sherry Lambi; Steve Kehoe; Tim & Caroline Bailey family in Romania **Please keep us updated with your prayer requests— Thanks!**

Asbury United Methodist Church
Rev. Jeff Flagg
Sunday, April 26, 2020
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The Serenity Prayer – Reinhold Niebuhr

God, grant me the serenity
to accept the things I cannot change,
the courage to change the things I can,
and the wisdom to know the difference.
Living one day at a time,
enjoying one moment at a time;
accepting hardship as a pathway to peace;
taking, as Jesus did,
this sinful world as it is,
not as I would have it;
trusting that You will make all things right
if I surrender to Your will;
so that I may be reasonably happy in this life
and supremely happy with You forever in the next.
Amen.



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Prelude

Greeting

Hymn “Amazing Grace” (1, 2, 3, 6) #378

Opening Prayer Loving God, come and speak to our hearts today. May we, like those on the Emmaus Road, find your words burning with hope in our lives. Strengthen us and give us courage for the journey ahead. For we pray in Christ’s Name. AMEN.

Call to Worship

Sometimes good things are right in front of us and we don’t see them.

Our fears and our prejudices blind us.

Open your eyes this day to see the goodness of the Lord.

Open our hearts, gracious God, to receive your blessings.

Hallelujah!

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Hymn “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” (all) #133

Prayer of Confession

Lord, you are so patient with us. You brought us through Easter when we rejoiced at the news of the resurrection of your Son our Savior. You were with us in the upper room when we remained hidden out of our fears, sharing with Thomas our doubts and anxieties. Now you come to us on the road. You come to us in our everyday lives, moving out of this pristine setting of worship into the work world. But we aren’t always ready for you and don’t always see you or feel your presence. We let so many things crowd in on our lives and these intrusions blot out our awareness of your presence. Forgive our blindness and our stubbornness. Help us keep our hearts open to you, to see and tell the good things you have done in our lives. For we ask this in Jesus’ Name. AMEN.

Words of Assurance

Even though you have not seen Jesus, one to one, you have assurance of his presence and his love with you. The promises of God are always true. God is with us, in the resurrection of Jesus, in our journeys, in our lives. Praise be to God. AMEN.

Luke 24:13-35

Offering

Doxology #95

Praise God from whom all blessing flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Time of sharing

Children’s Time

Announcements

Celebrations this week

Concerns/ pastoral prayer/ Lord’s Prayer

Sermon “Their Eyes Were Opened”

Scripture Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Hymn “Open My Eyes, That I May See” (all) #454

Benediction

People of the Road, rejoice, for God is with you. Bring God’s love and peace to all whom you meet. Go in peace now and forever.