

ASHLAND PLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

June 26, 2022 ▪ Third Sunday after Pentecost

— WE GATHER —

WELCOME AND PARISH NOTICES

Rev. Kristen Curtis Wright

Please take a moment to register your attendance in the pew pads.

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY *Three chimes signify the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

PRELUDE

Canzona
Alicia Luttrell

arr. Gabrieli

❖ OPENING COLLECT

Kathy McMaken

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are worth nothing: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

❖ HYMN OF PRAISE

O God, Our Help in Ages Past (vs. 1-4)

UMH 117

❖ PASSING OF THE PEACE

You are invited to greet those near you with the words, "Peace be with you" and respond with "And also with you."

— WE LISTEN —

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, you have spoken to us your divine and saving words. Illumine our souls to comprehend what we read in the holy scriptures that we do not become simply hearers of your spiritual words, but doers of good deeds, true pursuers of faith, having a blameless life and a conduct without reproach in Christ, our LORD, with whom you are blessed and glorified, together with your all-holy and life-giving Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

PSALTER *Responsive Reading from Psalm 77*

I cry aloud to God,

aloud to God, that God may hear me.

In the day of my trouble I seek the Lord; in the night my hand is stretched out without wearying;
my soul refuses to be comforted.

I will call to mind the deeds of the Lord;

I will remember your wonders of old.

I will meditate on all your work, and muse on your mighty deeds.

Your way, O God, is holy.

❖ *Please Stand as you are able, **Bold Print** – Congregation Reads Aloud*
† *Children 4 yrs to 4th grade leave for Children's Chapel.*

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 9:51-62

⁵¹ When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; ⁵³ but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' ⁵⁵ But he turned and rebuked them. ⁵⁶ Then they went on to another village.

⁵⁷ As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' ⁵⁸ And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' ⁵⁹ To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' ⁶⁰ But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' ⁶¹ Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' ⁶² Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

✦ HYMN OF PREPARATION*Jesus Calls Us* (vs. 1, 3-5)

UMH 398

† *During the hymn, children (4 yrs to 4th grade) are invited to gather to go to Children's Chapel. Following the service, parents can meet their children in The Landing.*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. ² 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.

⁶ 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. ⁷ Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. ⁸ 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.

⁹ 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.' ¹⁰ 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.' ¹¹ 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. ¹² 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.

¹³ He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan. ¹⁴ He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, 'Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?' When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

May God bless the reading of the Word. **Thanks be to God.**

— WE RESPOND —

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — *THE NICENE CREED*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father; God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God; begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day He rose again, in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen

**universal*

♪ GLORIA PATRI

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. A-men. A-men.

MORNING PRAYER and 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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Joe Stuart, soloist

♪ ❖ DOXOLOGY

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.

— WE GO FORTH —

❖ INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

❖ HYMN OF INVITATION

How Great Thou Art (vs. 1, 4)

UMH 77

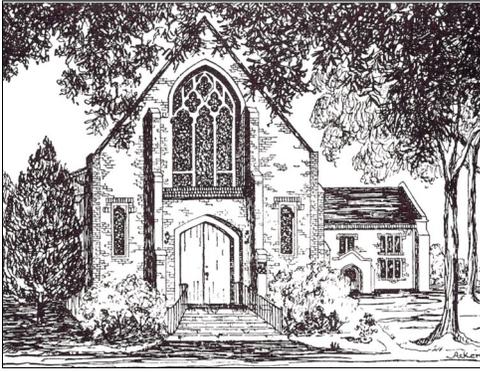
*During the Hymn of Invitation, those who wish to join this congregation of the United Methodist Church are invited to come to the
chancel rail to meet with the pastors.*

❖ BENEDICTION

❖ POSTLUDE

Harmonization of "Victory"

arr. Freudenburg



WELCOME

We want to thank you for choosing to worship with us at Ashland Place United Methodist Church. If you have questions about church activities, church membership, or the Christian faith, we would love to speak with you. Feel free to contact one of our pastors, or a staff member if we can assist you in any way.

CIRCLE OF CONCERN

Please hold these members in your prayers: John Allen, Jean Brown, Tootsie Chitwood, Sharon Coggin, Linda Lee Counts, Jane Ford, Marcia Golson, Ruffin Graham, June and Jim Harter, Freddie Jones, Peggy Mann, Haley Maxime, Lexi Mestas Mayhall, Tom Murray*, Michael Pierce, Sr, Tom Root, Burton Roton, Nancy Scott, Joann Smith, Nyla Smith, Lon Spencer, Peggy Tanner (Cindy Roton's mother), Bob Thomson, Kathryn Willingham. (*New this week) Contact Pam Bostick in the Church Office to add someone to this prayer list for our Intercessory prayer group, &/or for the printed bulletin.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, June 26th

- 9:00 a.m. — Ascension Modern Service
- 10:00 a.m. — Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. — Traditional Sanctuary Service

Monday, June 27th

- 12:00 p.m. — Youth leave for Oakwood
- 5:30 p.m. — Administrative Board
- 6:00 p.m. — UMC Conversation with Dr. Bishop

- Tuesday** — Prayer Shawl Ministry — 10:00 a.m.
- Thursday** — Men's Bible Study — 7:00 a.m.

2022 GIVING UPDATE for June 19th

Giving Received:	\$17,119
Giving Needed Weekly:	\$16,544
Year to Date Giving through May:	
Giving Received:	\$378,917
Giving Needed:	\$359,723

OUR CHURCH STAFF

Senior Pastor Dr. Sterling Boykin, sboykin@apumc.com
Associate Pastor Rev Kristen Wright, kwright@apumc.com

Church Administrator Pam Bostick, pbostick@apumc.com
Music Director Alicia Luttrell, musicdirector@apumc.com
Children's Director Mary Hunter Fuller, MHfuller@apumc.com
Youth Director Lee Ann Boykin, LABoykin@apumc.com
Media Director Jon Miller
Building Steward Quinton McConnell
Nursery Director Sarah Willingham

WELCOME TO ALICIA LUTTRELL

We welcome Alicia Luttrell to our staff as the Director of Traditional Music. Alicia will share her talents on the piano and organ with us in worship and direct the Chancel Choir and Handbell Choir. Alicia is married to Melton and they have five children, Brooke, Austin, Aiden, Meghan and Colleen. She is also the music teacher at Old Shell Road Magnet School for academics and the arts.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING, June 27

June 27th at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Parlor

A UNITED METHODIST CONVERSATION, June 27

Join us on Monday, June 27th at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall when Dr. Debora Bishop, our District Superintendent, will lead a conversation about The United Methodist Church. There will be a time of Q&A about possible changes in the church.

ONE SERVICE AT 10:00, July 3

Join us in the Sanctuary for ONE combined service at 10:00 a.m. on July 3rd.

LADIES WHO LUNCH, July 12

Mark your calendars for Ladies Who Lunch in 2 weeks. Reservations requested (by July 7) to Chee Chee at lwstreet@gmail.com.

WORDS OF WELCOME TO MEMBERSHIP

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

June 26, 2022

O God, Our Help in Ages Past **UMH 117**

1. O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home!
2. Under the shadow of thy throne,
still may we dwell secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defense is sure.
3. Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting, thou art God,
to endless years the same.
4. A thousand ages, in thy sight,
are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night,
before the rising sun.

Jesus Calls Us **UMH 398**

1. Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his sweet voice soundeth,
saying, "Christian, follow me!"
3. Jesus calls us from the worship
of the vain world's golden store,
from each idol that would keep us,
saying, "Christian, love me more!"
4. In our joys and in our sorrows,
days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these!"
5. Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,
Savior, may we hear thy call,
give our hearts to thine obedience,
serve and love thee best of all.

How Great Thou Art **UMH 77**

1. O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
consider all the *worlds thy hand have made,
I see the stars, I hear the *rolling thunder,
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;
how great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;
how great thou art, how great thou art!

4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art! [Refrain]