



AVONDALÉ

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

where all are welcome ... to *connect* with God and others.
... to *grow* together in faith and love.
... to *serve* the world for Jesus Christ.

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost | September 29, 2024

We welcome children of all ages in worship; however, a nursery is available for infants and toddlers under four years old who may need it. Please see an usher for assistance.

We have hearing assistive technology that connects via bluetooth available for those who need it. Please check with an usher for an instruction card to help you connect.

Prelude

Selected Hymns

arr. Marcia Wells

Chiming of the Hour

Choral Call to Worship

I Come with Joy

Brian Wren

Opening Prayer

Rev. Malinda Weaver

*** Hymn of Praise No. 92**

For the Beauty of the Earth (v. 1-4)

*** Affirmation of Faith | The Apostles' Creed**

Jeanne Baker

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.

* Please stand as you are able in body and in spirit.

[†] universal

*** Gloria Patri**

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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, Amen.

*** Ritual of Friendship**

Children's Moment

Michael Wilson

Following the Children's Moment, children (kindergarten through second grade) will be escorted to Children's Church. Parents must pick up their child(ren) from the first floor classroom after the worship service.

Act of Centering No. 347

Spirit Song

O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love.
Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.
O let him have those things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove
will descend upon your life and make you whole.

refrain **Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.**
Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

O come and sing the song of gladness as your hearts are filled with joy.
Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name.
O give him all your tears and sadness; give him all your years of pain,
and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name. *refrain*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

John 15:11 | John 16:20-22

Choral Anthem

All I Need Is You
Dan Adler

Sermon

The Reward

Pastoral Prayer with 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

Glorify Thy Name

Donna Adkins



Giving our time, talents, and money is our natural response to an understanding of the generosity of God. Click the QR code to go online to let us know you're here, enter a prayer request, and/or make a contribution.

Or go to avonumc.net/hereiam.

*** Doxology**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*** Hymn of Praise No. 530**

Are Ye Able

*** Benediction**

*** Choral Benediction**

Final Amen

Daniel deShazo

*** Postlude**

Wonderful Merciful Savior

Dawn Roberts and Eric Wyse | arr. Marty Parks



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BAO Bingo

Join us Monday, October 6, at 7:00pm as we support our friends from Birmingham AIDS Outreach (BAO) in their monthly Bingo fundraiser. We've reserved a table to play, and we'll be providing some door prizes. The cost for a seat is \$25 at the door. Email Henry Levens (levenshenry@gmail.com) to reserve a seat at our table.

Supplies Needed for our Homeless Neighbors

It's time to re-stock supplies for our homeless neighbors. The current needs are: deodorant, socks, bar soap (small size), and shaving supplies. Please purchase small or travel size items of toiletries because our homeless neighbors do not have room to store larger sizes. You can also pick up small bar soaps from hotels when you travel. Drop off items on Sunday mornings when you come for worship or anytime during the week at Avondale Samaritan Place (ASP).

Help Serve Lunch

Each month our social workers bring the elderly people they support for lunch and activities at Avondale Samaritan Place (ASP). Groups from Avondale and Canterbury UMCs take turns serving them lunch and leading fun activities. October is our church's month to serve on Wednesday, October 23, from 10:30am-1:00pm. If you'd like to help, email Susan Harvill (susan.harvill1252@gmail.com).

Hand to Heart

Hand to Heart, our prayer shawl ministry, meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month from 10:00am-12:00pm in the conference room on the first floor. This ministry is open to experienced needleworkers as well as those who want to learn. Their next meeting is Wednesday, October 9. If you know someone for whom a shawl would bring comfort, contact Barb Walker (205.672.9687). We have several beautiful shawls available to give away.

Fall Fun Night

Make plans and invite your friends and family for a fun night on Saturday, October 19. We'll have yummy soups, cornbread, sweet treats, fun, and games all in the Fellowship Hall. Children (young and old) are welcome to wear their Halloween costumes as we enjoy the thrill of the season together.

Men's Gathering

All men are welcome to stick around and invite friends for lunch after worship Sunday, October 20. For more info, contact David Majors (demaj@bellsouth.net).

Installation of Our New Bishop

All North Alabama United Methodists are invited to attend a worship service celebrating Bishop L. Jonathan Holston on Sunday, October 6, at 4:00pm at Asbury UMC in Birmingham. Bishop Holston began serving as the resident Bishop of the Alabama Panhandle Episcopal Area on September 1. This new episcopal area includes the North Alabama Conference and the Alabama-West Florida Conference. The installation worship service will be a meaningful time for North Alabama United Methodists to worship together and offer prayers and support for Bishop Holston's leadership. Asbury United Methodist Church is located at 6690 Cahaba Valley Road, Birmingham, 35242.

Save the Dates

October 6	Installation of our New Bishop
October 7	BAO Bingo
October 9 & 23	Hand to Heart – Prayer Shawl Ministry
October 19	Fall Fun Night
October 20	Men's Luncheon
October 23	Beeson Lunch
October 23	Charge Conference
October 27	Fourth Sunday Family Lunch
November 3	All Saints Worship, Church Reunion, & Archive Dedication
November 24	ASP Pickleball Fundraiser

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