



ASHLAND PLACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

November 2, 2025 All Saints Sunday

– *We Gather* –

PRELUDE

In Paradisum
Handbell Choir

Dubois

WELCOME AND PARISH NOTICES

Rev. Jennifer Porto

Please take this time to sign the attendance pad located in your pew, or scan the CONNECT QR code located on the back of this bulletin.

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

❖CALL TO WORSHIP

Sherri Arledge

Sing to the Lord a new song!

Rejoice and give thanks,

For the Lord takes pleasure in the people.

Hallelujah!

♪❖HYMN OF PRAISE

Rejoice in God's Saints

UMH 708

– *We Listen* –

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Pour out your Spirit upon us, O God; with your Word enlighten the eyes of our hearts, that we might live in hope; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

¹⁵ As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶ I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷“As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸ But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever – forever and ever.”

MORNING PRAYER

Today's Acolyte: Henry Bostwick

❖ *Please Stand in body or spirit* **Bold Print** – *Congregation Reads Aloud*

❖SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 1:11-23

¹¹ In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴ this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

¹⁵ I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸ so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may perceive what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰ God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²² And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all. May God bless the reading of the Word. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Above Every Name"

Dr. Darren McClellan

— *WE RESPOND* —

❖AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—The Apostle's Creed

UMH 881

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. **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. Amen. Amen.

INVITATION, CONFESSION and PARDON

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *All pray in silence.*

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that is proof of God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

❖**PASSING OF THE PEACE** *As forgiven and reconciled people, let us pass the Peace of Christ with one another.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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In the Stillness of This Moment
Chancel Choir

Martin and Angerman

♪❖**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.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Service of Word and Table II

UMH 13-15

PRAYER FOR THE SAINTS AND FAITHFUL DEPARTED

† Mimi Urquart

† Wes O'Rear

† Freddie Jones

† Ruffin Graham

† Tee Hope

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.

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

— *WE GO FORTH* —

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

♪❖**HYMN OF INVITATION**

My Hope Is Built

UMH 368

❖**BENEDICTION**

❖**POSTLUDE**

Hanover

Croft

✠ **CHRISTIAN LOVE and SYMPATHY** to Cindy Roton, upon the death of her mother, Peggy Tanner, on October 23, 2025

✠ **FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are given in memory of our mother, Oleta L. Hardesty, on her birthday, November 2nd. Thank you for making us the persons we are. By Dr. Jane H. Finley and Judge George N. Hardesty, Jr.



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.



CONNECT

Are you visiting today? If so, please scan this QR code to complete a CONNECT card, or contact a staff member to assist you.

CIRCLE OF CONCERN

Please hold these persons in your prayers:

Fay Adams, John Allen, John and Angela Bell, Jean Brown & son James Williams, Victor Brown (Dee Dee Cook's brother), Bob Cook, Braxton & Linda Lee Counts, Julie & Steve Dugan, Jake Elder, Mihyon Ellis, Phillip Fields, Bruce Finley, Missy Foose, Marcia Golson, Curt Graf (Curtis Graf's father), Jim Harter, Diane Holub (Angela Prine's mother), Barbara Hunt, Andrew Irby, *Colleen Luttrell, Tyler Mazey, David Richards, Sara Robinson, Tom Root, Mary Davis Rutledge, Nancy Scott, Lonn Spencer, Jody Thompson (Pam Bostick's brother-in-law), Louise Thomson, Sherry Thomson, Robert Wheeler (Emily McGough's brother), Merrill Whitener, Kathryn Willingham, and all caregivers (**new concern this week*)

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Offering Received 10/26/25 \$13,320



ONLINE GIV-

To support the many ministries of APUMC, please scan this QR code and donate online.

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

November 2, 2025

9:00am Ascension Modern Service (FH)
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Traditional Sanctuary Service (S)
5:30pm Youth
6:00pm Night of Worship and Scripture

Monday Men's Study Group, 7:00am (WP)
Women's Bible Study, 10:00am (FH)

Tuesday Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10:00am (FP)

Wednesday The Joseph Project, 9:30am (DW)
Handbell Practice, 5:00pm
Choir Practice, 6:00pm
Pastor's Class, 6:00pm (FP)

Thursday Men's Bible Study, 7:00am (WP)
The Joseph Project, 9:30am (DW)
Trivia Night, 7:00pm (206 State St.)

Friday Office Closed

FP-Fellowship Parlor, S-Sanctuary, WP-Wisteria Parlor
B-Basement, DW-Dumas Wesley, 126 Mobile Street

ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARDS can still be found scattered around campus. Please consider supporting our 2025 ministry plan by completing a card and turning it in to the church office. You may also complete a card online by visiting our website www.apumc.com.

NIGHT OF WORSHIP AND SCRIPTURE

Join us tonight at 6:00pm for a night of acoustic worship and Scripture as we read through the book of James. Guests from the New Song service at Christ United will be leading us. Come sing along and worship together!

PASTOR'S CLASS— New Study Starting November 5, 6:00pm

Pastor Darren's class will begin a new series, "What Is the Kingdom?", exploring the parables of Jesus and what they reveal about God's Kingdom.

LADIES WHO LUNCH will meet on Sunday, November 9th after the 11:00 service. Please RSVP by Thursday, November 6th by emailing lwstreet@gmail.com. A \$10 donation is suggested, and all women are welcome.

THE JOSEPH PROJECT UPDATES

Volunteers—We're expecting a surge of clients during the approaching holiday season, and could use some extra hands, especially on Thursdays from 9:30am to noon. The upcoming dates are November 6 and 20, and December 4 and 18.

Thanksgiving Food—A signup for food donations can be found on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall, or a link to a sign up genius can be found in your newsletter.

Christmas Cards—The annual fundraiser will be coming soon. A table will be set up in the Fellowship Hall to take orders starting Nov. 9. The deadline for preaddressed envelopes is Dec. 7. More information can be found in your newsletter.

For more information about any of these things, please contact Stephanie Alexander at skalexander@bellsouth.net.

Hymns and Responses for November 2, 2025

Rejoice in God's Saints

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1. Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days; a world without saints forgets how to praise. Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer, their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.
2. Some march with events to turn them God's way; some need to withdraw, the better to pray. Some carry the gospel through fire and through flood; our world is their parish; their purpose is God.
3. Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown, who bear someone's cross or shoulder their own. They shame our complaining, our comforts, our cares; what patience in caring, what courage, is theirs!
4. Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days; a world without saints forgets how to praise. In loving, in living, they prove it is true: the way of self-giving, Lord, leads us to you.

Be Thou My Vision

UMH 451

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
3. Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

My Hope Is Built

UMH 368

1. My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.
2. When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace. In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil. On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.
3. His oath, his covenant, his blood support me in the whelming flood. When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay. On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.
4. When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found! Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne! On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.