



**ASBURY**  
UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH

### **Worship Services:**

8 am - Traditional Service, Chapel  
9:15 am- Traditional Service, Sanctuary  
11 am - Modern Service, Sanctuary


### **Children, Nursery & Early Childhood**

Ages 6 weeks to Pre-K: First floor, 7:45 am – noon  
Elementary Ages: Kindergarten to 5th grade:  
Second floor, 9:15 or 11 am

### **Students**

6th - 12th grades: Venue at 9:15 am

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SALESMAN 40-



## Excerpt from the Sermon Journal Monday, December 2, 2019

Written by Pastor Tom Harrison

### God's Word and a Mighty Savior

The first two verses of our passage illustrate the contrast between God and us. I think of family and friends who have preceded me in death. We daily read the accounts of others who are like the beautiful flower of today that is gone tomorrow. The contrast between human flesh and the word of God is stark. That was true of the Israelites and their captors, the Babylonians.

God does not want us to live in perpetual fear, anxiety or depression about our mortality. God has offered us a plan. The Bible reveals that plan in a sweeping narrative. We find guidance, comfort and peace from the Scriptures. We have a message to share with the world. We want to proclaim the good news that our Savior comes to us in a mighty way. God is transcendent. Yet, God is near. God is like a good shepherd with strength to defeat the enemy and tenderness to protect His flock. Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He is both God and human at the same time. God has come to us in Jesus in both strength and humility. Jesus is both "the Lion of Judah" and the "Lamb of God."

John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, said he was "a man of one book" (the Bible). It was his authority and guide. When the Scripture is not our guide, we are our own authority. The written word points us to our need for a savior.

### Something to Think About:



We learn best in community with others. Asbury offers many Bible studies. We help one another. Pastors Dick Read and James Lambert are eager to help. Our pastors can connect you to places for spiritual growth. Biblical study and community have always been vitally important to Methodist people.

## Daily scripture readings for the upcoming week

December 9 Isaiah 40:12-26

December 10 Psalm 25

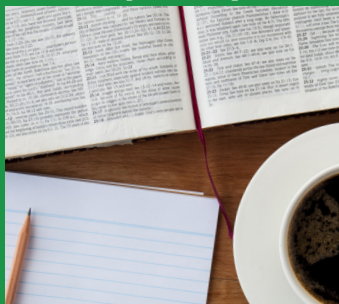
December 11 Lamentations 3:25-37

December 12 Isaiah 44:9-23

December 13 Romans 8:18-25

December 14 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

Next week - *Isaiah 40*: The Greatness of God



# Christmas Eve Services

— 2019 —

## CHRISTMAS CAROLS and CANDLELIGHT

Each service will conclude with lighting of candles  
and singing of Silent Night and Joy to the World

### 3 pm - Sanctuary

- Modern team will host along with the children's choir
- Pastor Daniel Dennison will share the Christmas message
- Spanish translation available
- Child care provided

### 5 pm and 7 pm - Sanctuary

- New Covenant Orchestra and the Chancel Choir
- Senior Pastor Tom Harrison will share the Christmas message
- Child care provided for both services
- Spanish translation available for 5 pm only
- ASL for 7 pm only

### 9 pm - Sanctuary

- Pastor James Lambert and musicians from the 9:15 and 11 am services
- Senior Pastor Tom Harrison will share the Christmas message
- Communion will be served

### 11 pm - Chapel

- 8 am Chapel worship team
- Pastor Daniel Dennison will share the Christmas message
- Communion will be served

# Service of Lessons and Carols

TODAY | 6 pm | Sanctuary

Unable to attend? Watch online at [asburytulsa.org](http://asburytulsa.org), Asbury's app or on our Facebook page.



## Peter Mayer Concert

December 17 | 7 pm | Venue

Join us for this **FREE** Christmas concert.

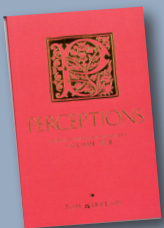


## Help make Asbury a wonderful place to be on Christmas Eve!

Lots of volunteer opportunities

Contact: Lauren Brown at [lbrown@asburytulsa.org](mailto:lbrown@asburytulsa.org) for hospitality

or Sarah Johnson at [sjohnson@asburytulsa.org](mailto:sjohnson@asburytulsa.org) for childcare.



## Perceptions

By Tom Harrison

New volume available TODAY in the main foyer.

Also available in the main office during business hours.

## Holy Spirit Class

January 8 – March 11 | 6-8 pm | Chapel

Come join this very special 10-session, seminar-style time of weekly worship, storytelling, teaching, prayer and Holy Communion. Asbury pastors and others will lead us through understanding, knowing and walking with the Holy Spirit. No registration is required. Be sure to bring your Bible and a notebook. Child care provided.



PROMISES

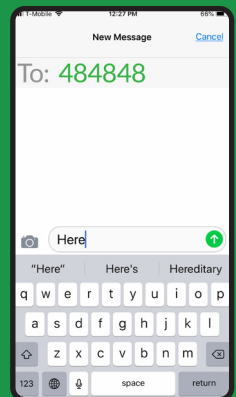
## Promises: In Jesus, All God's Promises Find their Yes

Beginning December 24

Many things come and go in life, but God's promises stand forever. As we celebrate Christmas and begin a new year, we want to strengthen and encourage our hearts by God's grace through Jesus Christ who is the same yesterday, today and forever. A promising new series, for a promising new year.

## TEXT TO CHECK-IN

- Text **HERE** to 484848.
- Text to check-in is not just for members but for everyone.
- Text to check-in is **ONLY** for attending worship on Sundays at 8, 9:15 and 11 am.
- Text during the service you are attending.
- Include only the children sitting in the service with you.



## Ways to Give

### Electronic Giving

[myasburytulsa.org](http://myasburytulsa.org)

### Text to Give:

Text the word "asburygive" to 73256

### Online Bill Pay:

Name and address on the check

### Previous Week's Giving

Weekly Giving .....	\$136,533.92
YTD Giving Budget .....	\$7,209,131.00
YTD Giving Actual .....	\$7,158,116.47



Order of Worship | December 8, 2019  
**8 am**

<b>WELCOME</b>	<i>Christmas Carol Medley</i>	Rev. Robert Duran
<b>VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		
<b>PRELUDE</b>	<i>Ave Maria</i>	David Langston
<b>CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS</b>	<i>Christmas Medley</i>	Angie Cockrell Chanda Lantern Brandon Disney
<b>APOSTLES' CREED</b>		
<b>FELLOWSHIP MOMENT</b>		
<b>ADVENT CANDLE LITURGY</b>		Rev. Robert Duran, Leader Bonnie Barlow, Acolyte
<b>CONGREGATIONAL HYMN</b>	<i>Love Came Down at Christmas</i> Hymn 242	Angie Cockrell
<b>SPECIAL MUSIC</b>	<i>Love Came Down To Bethlehem</i>	Caroline Ewy
<b>PASTORAL PRAYER</b>		Dr. Tom Harrison
<b>PASTORAL MOMENT</b>		
<b>DOXOLOGY</b>		
<b>OFFERTORY</b>		Barbara Graves
<b>SCRIPTURE READING</b>	<b>Isaiah 40:6-11</b> Pew Bible Page 712	Emma Linsenmeyer
<b>MESSAGE</b>	<b>ISAIAH 40</b> <b>God's Word and A Mighty Savior</b>	Dr. Tom Harrison
<b>SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE</b>		Rev. Robert Duran



**Join us for Donuts in the FOYER**

**10:30-11 am | This week's host: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday**

Order of Worship | December 8, 2019  
**9:15 am**

<b>PRELUDE</b>	<i>Gloria in Excelsis Deo</i>	Rosanna Corrales
<b>CALL TO WORSHIP</b>	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>	Hart Morris
<b>VIDEO ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		
<b>WELCOME</b>		Rev. Daniel Dennison
<b>MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY</b>		
<b>ADVENT CANDLE LITURGY</b>		Rev. Daniel Dennison Caleb McCoy, Acolyte
<b>CONGREGATIONAL HYMN</b>	<i>It Came Upon The Midnight Clear</i> Hymn 218	Chancel Choir New Covenant Orchestra
<b>FELLOWSHIP MOMENT</b>		
<b>SPECIAL MUSIC</b>	<i>Shepherds, Go Quickly</i>	Music Makers Mindy Dennison, Director
<b>CONGREGATIONAL HYMN</b>	<i>While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks</i> Hymn 236	
<b>SPECIAL MUSIC</b>	<i>God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen</i>	New Covenant Orchestra
<b>PASTORAL PRAYER</b>		Dr. Tom Harrison
<b>PASTORAL MOMENT</b>		
<b>DOXOLOGY</b>		
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	<i>The Annunciation</i>	Chancel Choir David Hunt, Oboe
<b>SCRIPTURE</b>	<b>Isaiah 40:6-11</b> Pew Bible Page 712	
<b>MESSAGE</b>	<b>ISAIAH 40</b> <b>God's Word and A Mighty Savior</b>	Dr. Tom Harrison
<b>SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE</b>		Dr. Tom Harrison Rev. Daniel Dennison
<b>BENEDICTION</b>		
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	<i>Sussex Carol</i>	Rosanna Corrales



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