

# ***EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***

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*Rev. Judith A. Emerson, Pastor  
Linda Bange, Director of Music/Organist  
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM*

***Order of Worship  
January 20, 2019***

## ***The Second Sunday after the Epiphany***

### WELCOME

*Welcome to Ebenezer United Methodist Church. We are blessed by your presence.  
Please be sure to sign the roster at the end of the pew and pass it to others near you. It is  
our hope that this time of worship will be a blessing to all. Please begin in silent prayer.*

PRELUDE                                      “We Believe in One True God”                                      Glyncannon

### LIGHTING THE CANDLES

INTROIT                                      “Jesus, Name above All Names”                                      TFWS No. 2071

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

God's voice speaks to our chaos, echoing in our empty hearts.  
**God invites us to remember our baptism.**  
God's voice flows like the living waters of grace,  
**Our new name, 'Beloved,' resounding in our souls.**  
God's voice stirs the waters of baptismal hope.  
**God calls us to be bearers of peace to a world of broken hopes.**  
Let us worship God and remember our baptism and be thankful.

\*OPENING HYMN                                      “Spirit Song”                                      UMH No. 347

### OPENING PRAYER

**God our Creator, you offered your servant Jesus as Savior to all humankind. His coming among us opened our eyes to the light of justice, peace and salvation. By the River Jordan you anointed Jesus to carry out his mission. Anoint us now with your Holy Spirit so that we can hear the Word you are speaking to us. This we pray through Christ our Lord. Amen**

### CALL TO CONFESSION

To a world of brokenness, God speaks of healing. To a time of confusion, God tells of that future grounded in love. To a people longing for redemption, God comes to bring us home. Let us confess how we have not heard God speaking to us, as we pray, saying:

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, we have not done a good job as your people. We are drawn to the shadows of sin, hoping you will not see our foolishness. We fall into the arms of temptation, letting it spin us until we are out of control. We selfishly cling to your hope and grace, convinced that others will misuse these gifts.**

**Forgive us and touch us with your Spirit so we may be restored to new life; touch us with your grace, so we may offer forgiveness to all people; touch us with your peace, so we might be healers to our world. This we pray in the name of the One who went into the waters of baptism to cleanse us of sin, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

### SILENT PRAYER

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

We expect the fire of judgment,  
**but are given the Spirit of grace;**  
we expect God to yell at us,  
**but we are called by a new name;**  
we expect God to stay angry,  
**but we are handed the dove of peace.**  
This is the good news for us!  
**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON                                      Isaiah 43:1-7                                      OT pg. 631

*The servant songs of Isaiah are like ballads written about Jesus centuries before he was born. They describe the noble figure and why he is to be revered.*

GOSPEL LESSON                                      Luke 3:15-17, 21-22                                      NT pg. 56

*Luke places Jesus' baptism before the start of his public ministry to identify Jesus as the chosen servant foretold by Isaiah (first reading).*

The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*“Remember Who You Are!”*

Rev. Judy Emerson

HYMN

*“At the Name of Jesus”*

UMH No. 168

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- Prayer Requests
- Pastoral Prayer
- 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.**

THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

- Announcements
- Offertory (11:00 AM) *"There is A Light"* Chancel Choir
- \*Presentation of Gifts
- \*Doxology UMH No. 94

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow:  
Praise God, 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!**

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Mighty God, we remember that becoming part of a Christian community was not a meaningless dedication, but a call to be devoted openly to you. The sacrament of baptism is a reminder of all that we have received and all that we are asked to give. Like the heavenly voice you shared with your beloved son, we listen anew for your guidance and direction. Multiply these financial gifts so others may be baptized in your Precious Name. Amen.**

\*HYMN

*“When Jesus Came to Jordan”*

UMH No. 252

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE

# Welcome to Ebenezer United Methodist Church

**Website:** [ebenezerumchurch.org](http://ebenezerumchurch.org)

Church Office Hours -Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Worship: 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM

Sunday School 9:45 AM

January 20, 2019

Church Office: (410) 795-6136

Pastor's Office: (410) 795-1237

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Pastor: Rev. Judy Emerson

Music Director: Linda Bange

Treasurer: Sandy Wean

Secretary: Cindi Arnold

Nursery Coordinator: Jess Middleton

Nursery Coordinator: Lisa Humphries

## Notes

Nursery for Infants through Kindergarten is every Sunday at 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM.

Children's Church for Pre-K through 5<sup>th</sup> Grades is the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 11:00 AM.

The Attendance Roster is at the end of each pew. Please sign in and pass it to others.

## Sunday School Classes

<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>Parsonage</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
Nursery – 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor enclosed room	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> grade – 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor	Ken Middleton's adult class
K-2 <sup>nd</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor open area	6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> grade – 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor	
12 <sup>th</sup> – 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor small room	9 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> grade – 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor	
	Buck Scott's adult class – 1 <sup>st</sup> floor	

## Worship Today

<b>Service</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>
Greeters	Jim Leary	Dave Biddinger
Ushers	Kenny & Sandy Wean	Rodriguez Family
Liturgists	Sandy Wean	Dave Biddinger

## This Week's Schedule

Sunday, January 20 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Church	11:00 AM
	UMYF	Noon
Wednesday, January 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Children's Choir	6:00 PM
	Chancel Choir	7:30 PM
Saturday, January 26 <sup>th</sup>	CAMP HOPE Meeting	7:00 PM



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FEB-MAR NEWSLETTER** - Please have articles for the next newsletter to the office by Monday, Jan 21<sup>st</sup>.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT** - The Women's Retreat is 2 months away which does not seem possible! Our theme this year is *Saved With Amazing Grace*....add a little SWAG to your life!! If you have not signed up yet, please consider going with us again or for the first time! The forms are in the narthex and the brochures will be available soon. Please let Susan Brown know if you have any questions or want to join us!

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN** - This week you should have received a thank you letter regarding our Capital Campaign. If you have questions about whether or not you have met your Campaign pledge, please contact the church office and our Treasurer, Sandy Wean, will get back to you.

**ROCK CAFÉ** - Please support the youth and their chaperones who will be attending the Baltimore-Washington Conference ROCK retreat in February. Every Sunday in the month of January the group will be selling muffins, donuts, coffee, etc. at the ROCK Café in the narthex. Stop by between or after services and get some refreshments and enjoy the fellowship time. You can even get coffee to go!

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** – New offering envelopes for 2019 are available in the Narthex. Please be sure to pick yours up. Let Lori Rapids know if you don't have one with your name.

**GREETING CARDS** - Collection for ARC will continue through the end of January. All types of cards are accepted. Fronts no longer have to be separated. If you have questions, please contact Sharon Grim at 410-489-7455 or by email at [robertgrim@comcast.net](mailto:robertgrim@comcast.net). Thanks for supporting this mission program.

**2019 CALENDARS ARE IN** - I still have a few available in the Narthex. Still a bargain at \$6.00 each!

**GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER** – Christmas shopping may be over, but we still need to shop for groceries and gas. Purchase gift cards to your favorite stores and restaurants for your everyday shopping and enjoyment. The church gets a portion of all sales. Orders are placed at least twice a month. Order forms are available in the narthex or go to [ShopwithScrip.com](http://ShopwithScrip.com) and see a more extensive selection! Contact Susan Brown with any questions [stmpnsusan@aol.com](mailto:stmpnsusan@aol.com).

**COMMUNICATION** – Please be sure to utilize the **lock box** in the narthex for all cash and checks. Make sure they are clearly marked. All monies **MUST** go in the lock box and not in the mailboxes. Use the mailboxes for correspondence only. Use the secretary box for anything you are unsure of. Thank you for your help!

**LEADERSHIP CHANGES AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019** – A new Church Leadership Roster for 2019 is available in the narthex. Check to see which committees you are serving on for the coming year. Some committees have a group listing with the year stated above. This means you will serve on that committee until the end of the stated year.

**COLD WEATHER SHELTER** – We will again be supporting the shelter by providing dinners on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday November through March. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to help.

**NURSERY HELP** – Our Safe Sanctuary Policy mandates that we have no fewer than two adults in a building when children are present. Our Nursery is now in the Food Pantry Building and there will be occasion where we won't have the required adults. Please consider helping as a second adult during our 8:30 and/or 11:00 services. A sign-up sheet is located on the bulletin board.