

EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**4901 Woodbine Road
Sykesville, Maryland 21784
(410)795-6136**

Rev. Judith A. Emerson, Pastor
10:00 AM

Order for Summer Worship
13th Sunday after Pentecost

August 14, 2016

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

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

arr. By Hayes

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

INTROIT

“Jesus, Name Above All Names”

TFWS No. 2071

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God of the ages, we sing your praises in the vineyards of our lives.

Tend the garden of our love.

Where we have become ragged and wild, prune us in the way we should grow.

Nurture the soil of our hope.

Let your hand be upon us, leading us to Jesus, who perfects our faith.

Heal the roots of our faith. Bring us rain in drought, shade in scorching heat, and
protection in the wilderness.

Protect the growth of our spirit. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

“Love Divine All Loves Excelling”

UMH No. 384

OPENING PRAYER

**Lord of the vineyard, we ask for your presence and your guidance. In your holy
wisdom, tend the vines of our hearts. Teach us your righteousness, that our lives may
flower with justice. We come as wild grapes, yearning to grow fruitful in your love.
Show us the way, through Jesus your Son, to discern your will, hear your word, and
grow in your ways, as we deepen the roots of our faith. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

OT pg. 596

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

NT pg. 160

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

“Without a Song”

Bill Jones

HYMN

“How Can We Name a Love”

UMH No. 111

CALL TO CONFESSION

We would like to keep our sins hidden and our failures a secret. God would not have
us keep silent, but speak our confessions out loud, so we may be blessed with God’s mercy
and grace. I invite you to pray with me our prayer of confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Divine God, we try to grow happily, patiently, and faithfully in the soil you have
prepared for us. You feed us, shelter us, and provide for our daily needs. Yet, we
often fail to offer you the fruit of our harvest. We act as though we were abandoned
children, trying to make it on our own. We feel forsaken, attacked by wild boars, cut
down by our enemies, and neglected in the wilderness of our lives. Yet, through it all,
you remain faithful. Renew our lives once more, and we will call your name on high.
Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Be assured that God’s love is sufficient. In the warmth of the sun, the fertility of the
soil, and the refreshment of life-giving water, we have been given all that we need. God
hears our cries, and comes to save us. Through Christ we may lay aside our sins; through
Christ, we know we are safe. Through Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- Prayer Requests
 - Pam Higgs, Esther Pond*
- 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
- *Presentation of Gifts

*Doxology

“Glorify Thy Name”

**Father, we love you, we worship and adore you,
glorify thy name in all the earth.**

**Jesus, we love you, we worship and adore you,
glorify thy name in all the earth.**

**Spirit, we love you, we worship and adore you,
glorify thy name in all the earth.**

**Glorify thy name, glorify thy name,
glorify thy name in all the earth!**

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- *Prayer of Dedication

Generous God, it is by faith that you bless us, so it is by faith that we offer back to you a portion of all you have entrusted to us. May these gifts be used for building your kingdom, sharing the good news and embracing brothers and sisters in Christ. This we pray in Jesus’ name. Amen.

- *HYMN
 - “I Love You Lord”*
- *DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING
- *POSTLUDE

TFWS No. 2068

* = Standing as able.
UMH = United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS = The Faith We Sing Hymnal
Page Number (Pg.) = In The Pew Bible

Welcome to Ebenezer United Methodist Church

Website: ebenezerumchurch.org

Summer Church Office Hours

Through Sept 1st

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Worship at 10:00 AM Only

Through September 4th

Church Office: (410) 795-6136

Pastor's Office: (410) 795-1237

Church Email: eumcwinfield@gmail.com

Pastor's Email: revjae@aol.com

Pastor: Rev. Judy Emerson

Music Director: Linda Bange

Nursery Coordinator: Jess Middleton

Secretary: Cindi Arnold

Treasurer: Sandy Wean

Nursery Coordinator: Olivia Wisner

Last Week

Attendance 72 Offering \$4,357.00

Notes

Prayer Requests will remain in the bulletin for 3 weeks at a time.

Nursery for Infants through Kindergarten is every Sunday at 10:00 AM.

Children's Church for Pre-K through 5th Grades is the 2nd and 4th Sunday at 10:00 AM.

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

Worship Today

Service	10:00 AM
Greeters	Jim Leary
Ushers	Jim & Doris Leary
Liturgists	Deb Mathias

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Tuesday, August 16 th	Brinton Woods	10:30 AM
Wednesday, August 17 th	Holly Mart Crafts	9:30 AM – Noon
Friday, August 19 th	Children's Party at the Jones'	5 PM
Saturday, August 20 th	Food Pantry	9:00 – 11:00 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASTORAL NEEDS – If you have a pastoral emergency while Rev. Judy is on vacation this week, please leave a message at the church office. Our Church Secretary will have the Pastor on call respond as soon as possible. Rev. Judy will return for worship next Sunday. Please extend a special thank you to Bill Jones for leading worship this morning!

BACKPACK MINISTRY – We will be packing backpacks in the fellowship hall at 9 AM on Thursday morning, August 18th. Any help is appreciated.

SWIM PARTY FOR ALL CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH - Please join us on Friday, August 19th at 5:00pm (or whenever you can get here) for an evening of fun at the Jones' pool. We will order pizza for dinner, please bring a snack or dessert or drink to share. Please let me know by the 18th how many from your family will be able to attend and what you are bringing. Contact Julie with questions. 7251 Lake Hills Ct. Marriottsville, MD

CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC – Don't forget to sign up for the family picnic to be held on Sunday, August 28th at Piney Run. See bulletin board for details!

FAMILY CAMPING – Come join us for a weekend at Harmison. Dates are September 30th to October 3rd. See bulletin board to sign up.

CAMP HOPE – Please join us for worship on Sunday, September 4th as our CAMP HOPE team will share their week's experiences with us.

HOLLY MART'S SILENT AUCTION SUPPORT NEEDED -Here are the ways you can help... 1. Donate items (Please include the value.) 2. Make follow-up calls to local businesses. 3. Pick up donations from local businesses.

Last year, the Silent Auction sold 62 items and made \$2,178! This was only possible with the help from our amazing congregation! Please contact Nicole Streaker for more information at [\(410\)635-8232](tel:4106358232) or at 4streakers@comcast.net.

EBENEZER TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY (ETM) – I am coordinating a program to help those in our church who need help getting to a doctor's appointment, pharmacy or grocery store. I learned firsthand when I could not drive for two weeks after surgery how much I needed friends to help out! If you want to be part of this important ministry, you can reach me by phone [\(410-259-0039\)](tel:410-259-0039)/[410-848-1561](tel:410-848-1561)) or email: jedavis711@comcast.net. Thank you for volunteering! Janet Davis.

