

***EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***

**4901 Woodbine Road  
Sykesville, Maryland 21784  
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*Rev. Judith A. Emerson, Pastor*  
10:00 AM

## *Order of Worship*

*15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

*August 28, 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.*

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE                      “*O for a Thousand Tongues*”                      Birchwood  
LIGHTING THE CANDLES

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

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

When we are left to our own devices, we become like weak and cracked vessels, unable to sustain love, mercy and justice.

**But when we come before God, seeking God's healing love, we are given the strength and courage to serve others.**

We often want to have our own way in all that we do.

**We have a difficult time trusting in God.**

Lord, come to us this day, healing our mistrust and our hesitancy.

**Give us spirits ready to receive your forgiveness and mercy. Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN	<i>“To God Be the Glory”</i>	UMH No. 98
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## OPENING PRAYER

**Through the ages, O God, you have called to us to follow. You led us to freedom, to hope and peace. Enter our hearts again today and lead us to your healing love that we might serve you joyfully in this world that you have loaned to us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON                      Jeremiah 2:4-13                      OT Pg. 657  
This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON                      “*Fountain of Living Waters*”                      Rev. Judy Emerson

HYMN	<i>“How Great Thou Art”</i>	UMH No. 77
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## CALL TO CONFESSION

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. Let us admit our brokenness to God.

## PRAAYER OF CONFESSIION

**We confess, O Lord, that we love attention. We are pleased when people single us out for something good that we have done, for some outstanding act or trait of kindness that we exhibit. We revel in the light; but the seductive light too often captures us and we seek its brightness and glory and turn our backs on others in need. We have been given many gifts, but have failed to use them to help others and to serve you. Forgive us our vanity and greed. Heal our wounded and aching souls. Place us again on the pathway of peace and hope that is your way to true life. For we ask these things in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

## WORDS OF ASSURANCE

You have lifted us and dusted us off, O Lord. You have claimed us as your own. Let us celebrate your love for us in lives of service to others; for you are with us always. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Requests: *Pam Higgs, Mindy Coates*  
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

*“On the Cross”*

Julian Bryant

### \*Presentation of Gifts

\*Doxology

## “Glorify Thy Name”

TFWS No 2016

**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!**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Holy One, we commit these offerings and tithes with prayerful minds and quiet hearts. As we give, we also receive. Bless us as we seek to bless others in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.**

\*HYMN

*“Spirit of God”*

TFWS No. 2117

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

## \*POSTLUDE

\* = 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](http://ebenezerumchurch.org)

## Summer Church Office Hours

Through Sept 1<sup>st</sup>

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

**Worship at 10:00 AM Only**

**Through September 4<sup>th</sup>**

Church Office: (410) 795-6136

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Pastor's Email: [revjae@aol.com](mailto: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 86

Offering \$3,326.00

## 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 5<sup>th</sup> Grades is the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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	Chuck & Rebecca Wisner
Liturgists	Susan Sager

## SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Today, August 28<sup>th</sup>

Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>

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Family Picnic

Ad Council Meeting 7:00 PM

Holly Mart Crafts 9:30 AM - Noon

Nominating Comm Meeting 7:00 PM

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC TODAY!!!** If you have not signed up and you would like to attend, see Rev. Judy for details!

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

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

**WOWS** – Please join us for our first meeting of the fall on September 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM.

**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](mailto:4streakers@comcast.net).

**GRIEF SUPPORT – On Sunday, September 11, 2016 at 6:30 PM** we will gather in the fellowship hall for refreshments and to offer Christian support to those who are dealing with the loss of loved ones. Whether you have experienced a recent loss or a loss in years past, grief can be overwhelming. Please join us as Rev. Judy walks with this group on a path to hopeful grief through scripture, prayer and Christian caring. You may come and share your personal experiences or just come and listen as others share.

**SCHWAN'S** - There are only 6 days left for Ebenezer to get the biggest percentage back on any sales, including gift certificates! Right now, we get 20% of any orders and 40% of each \$25 gift certificate purchased per person. After September 2nd, we will only get 5% of orders. Try to support this fundraiser ASAP if you can. Thanks so much!

**HOLLY MART VENDORS** - If you are interested or know someone who may be interested in being a vendor for Holly Mart, please have them get in touch with Susan Brown, [410-442-2884](tel:4104422884) or [StmpnSusan@aol.com](mailto:StmpnSusan@aol.com) as soon as possible. We are always looking for unique crafters and direct sales company distributors. The high quality and diversity of vendors helps pull in our customers so please spread the word!

