

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
September 4, 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 "Here I Am" arr By Hayes

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

INTROIT "Sanctuary" TFWS No. 2164

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God in many ways.

In singing and in playing instruments.

In looking and in listening.

In reading and in silence.

In prayer and in giving.

In the breaking of the bread.

In the drinking from the cup.

In every way that we can, let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN "Help Us Accept Each Other" UMH No. 560

OPENING PRAYER

Lord Jesus, our guide and our example. We thank you for the many opportunities in our lives that bring us closer to you. Teach us to listen to your voice in this busy world full of distractions. May we follow you without hesitation and serve you with open hearts and open minds. Use our hands to do your will where you lead us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Joshua 22:5 OT pg. 204

Philippians 2:1-5 NT pg. 186

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

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

"What H.O.P.E Looks Like"

HYMN

"The Summons"

TFWS No. 2130

CALL TO CONFESSION

Too often our hearts are cold and without gratitude. Too often our hands are passive and unwilling to carry out acts of mercy. Too often our lips are pursed tightly, unwilling to speak words of love. Too often we are indeed separated and alienated from our better self, separated and alienated from God. Let us confess our separation and alienation. Let us join together in the prayer of confession.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, you love us steadfastly, but we have trouble loving in return; you call us, but we have wax filled ears; you reveal yourself, but our eyelids are heavy; you lead us toward our neighbor, but we build walls around ourselves; you hate evil, injustice and alienation, but we get used to it. O God, we pray, help us to see ourselves both as we are and as we might be before you, and draw us by your Spirit's tether into your forgiving, renewing and serviceable grace. Through the mercies of Christ. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God has called us and will lead us. All things are possible with God. Even we can be taught to hear and to see and to have courage to live under God's reign. So that when God asks, "Who shall I send to do my will?" we will reply, "Here am I. Send me." Hear the good news. In Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Requests: *Pam Higgs, Mindy Coates, Connie Miller.*

Pastoral Prayer

THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Announcements

Offertory

*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

**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.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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.**

Breaking the Bread and Sharing the Cup

Communion Offering for Carroll County Food Sunday

Hymns During Communion: TFWS #2254, #2036

*HYMN

“Spirit Send Us Forth”

TFWS No. 2241

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

“Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, at all the
times you can, to all the people you can, as long as you ever can. – John Wesley (1703-1791)

*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

Church Office Hours

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

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 100 Offering \$3,693.00

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

Will be led by the **CAMP HOPE Team**

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Today, September 4 th	CAMP HOPE Lunch	
Tuesday, September 6 th	Trustees Meeting	7:00 PM
Wednesday, September 7 th	OWLS Lunch	12:00 PM
Wednesday, September 7 th	Children's Choir Rehearsal	6:15 PM
Wednesday, September 7 th	Chanel Choir Rehearsal	7:30 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Week, September 11th, we will return to the Fall schedule



8:30 AM Worship

9:45 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship

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

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

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.

COLLEGE STUDENTS – Parents with students away at school are asked to send the following information to either Cindi in the church office or directly to Ellie Baublitz, Higher Education/Campus Ministry chair, at elliebaublitz@netscape.net: Student's name, college address, what year they are in, birthday, and any other relevant information you would like to share about the student's college life and activities (such as, a sport they play, a big game, getting a part in a theater play, making an important presentation, studying abroad).

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:410-442-2884) or 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!

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:410-635-8232) or at 4streakers@comcast.net.

