

EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Rev. Judith A. Emerson, Pastor
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October 16, 2016
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Children's Sabbath Sunday

Order of Worship

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the attendance roster located at the end of the pew and pass it on for others to sign. Prayer request cards are available in the pew rack and may be placed in the offering plate or posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.

PRELUDE *“Be Thou My Vision”* Hopson

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather young, old and in-between, each made in God's image.
We gather full of promise, trusting in Christ's promise of new life.
 We gather empowered by the Spirit to seek justice.
We gather so that all may live out the lives for which they were created.
 Come, let us worship God on this Children's Sabbath day.

*HYMN	<i>“Seek Ye First”</i>	UMH No. 405
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OPENING PRAYER

Almighty and ever-living God, as we gather on this Children's Sabbath Sunday we pray that you will strengthen our faith, hope and love. Give us loving hearts to do what you ask of us and to share the life you promise. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

ANTHEM (11:00 AM) Joyful Noise/Cherubs Choirs

EPISTLE 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 NT Pg. 201
In this lesson we learn that Timothy must persevere in the faith and teach others to do likewise by passing along the instruction he has received.

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 18:9-14 NT Pg. 76

In this reading we hear the Parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector telling us those who make themselves great will be humbled while those who humble themselves will be made great.

SPECIAL MUSIC *"I Lift My Hands"* William Streaker
Arr by Chris Tomlin

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SHARES THE GOSPEL (11:00 AM)

SERMON *“A Calling to Love”*

HYMN “*Jesus Loves Me!*” UMH No. 191

PRAVERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns
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

Offertory (11:00 AM)	<i>“You are God, You are the Lord”</i>	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

Loving God, we share this offering in full knowledge that all of our resources are a gift from you. Help us to use them wisely and to share them generously. We pray in the name of your son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life, so we may live abundantly. Amen.

*HYMN

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

UMH No. 526

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Go forth to hear the voices of children made in God’s own image.

Go forth to bear the love of Christ who sided with the poor.

Go forth to seek justice as the Spirit moves in and through each one of us.

We go forth with God.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion and fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and each child of God now and forever more.

Amen.

*POSTLUDE

*Congregation standing when able
TFWS – The Faith We Sing Hymnal
UMH – United Methodist Hymnal

EBENEZER FUNDRAISER
CANNED ITEMS SALE
GOOD GIFTS FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY

JAM AND JELLY ½ PINT

TOTAL__X \$4.50__

FREEZER JAM Strawberry____ Peach____

JELLY Grape____ Peach____

Sweet Pepper____Strawberry____

SWEET PEPPER JELLY small jar

TOTAL__X \$3.00__

½ PINT JARS

TOTAL__X \$5.00__

Elderberry____ Black Raspberry____

BUTTERS PINT JARS

TOTAL__X \$5.50__

Apple Butter____ Pear Butter____

PICKLES – RELISHES – SALSA PINT JARS

TOTAL__X \$5.00__

Bread & Butter Pickles____ Sweet Lime Pickles____

Dill Pickles____Sweet Pickle Relish____ Zucchini Relish____

Pepper Relish____ Chili Sauce (Sweet Salsa)____

Salsa Medium____ Salsa Hot____

PICKLED BEETS PINT JAR

TOTAL__X \$5.50__

FINAL TOTAL \$_____

PLEASE RETURN EMPTY JARS AND BANDS TO EBENEZER KITCHEN

Welcome to Ebenezer United Methodist Church

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

Worship: 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM **Sunday School:** All Ages 9:45 AM

Church Office: (410) 795-6136

Pastor’s Office: (410) 795-1237

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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 92 Offering \$3,296.00

Notes
Prayer Requests will remain in the bulletin for 3 weeks at a time.
Nursery for Infants through Kindergarten is every Sunday at 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM.
Children’s Church for Pre-K through 5th Grades is the 2nd and 4th Sunday at 11:00 AM.
The Attendance Roster is at the end of each pew. Please sign in and pass it to others.

Prayer Requests
Pam Higgs, Tony Torosky, Fred Sebly,
Marian Soderstrom, Frank Tommaso

<u>SCHEDULE THIS WEEK</u>		
Today, October 16 th	Youth Group	4:00 PM
Tuesday, October 18 th	Brinton Woods	10:30 AM
	Finance Comm Meeting	7:00 PM
Wednesday, October 19 th	Holly Mart Crafts	9:30 AM – Noon
	Children’s Choir	6:30 PM
	Chancel Choir	7:30 PM
Thursday, October 20 th	Bible Study	9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
	Bible Study	7:00 PM – 8:30 PM
	WOWS	7:00 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUTH GROUP will meet today (Oct 16) at 4:00. We will be filling trick or treat bags for the Board of Child Care. Following that we will be going to the corn maze at Charlene's Farm. Permission slips were mailed out this past week but they are also available on the Youth bulletin board. Any questions please see Nancy Thompson.

DAYTIME BIBLE STUDY- will be offered for 6 weeks from Oct 13th - Nov 17th on Thursday mornings from 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM. The study, called "The Trouble with the Truth", will be led by Rev. Chuck. Please sign up on the bulletin board.

EVENING BIBLE STUDY- From October 13th through November 10th on Thursday Evenings from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM. The study is on 1 Peter: Walk the Talk. We will discuss the topic of transformation, our relationship with God and others and the split-second decisions we make each day. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex.

CHURCH DIRECTORY – Put on that happy face! Oct 28th and Oct 29th. Sign up today in the narthex or online. The link is on our website.

PICKLE, JAM & JELLY SALE - It's almost time again for the Pickle, Jam and Jelly Sale. This year it will be October 23rd and 30th. As usual, we will be selling after both services. We will have the usual pickles, jams and jellies, salsa and chili sauce as well as some new offerings. We have added dill pickles, zucchini relish, sweet pickle relish, pepper jelly, freezer pesto and hopefully apple butter. So start thinking about what you need for yourself and special people on your gift list

FALL FEST AND TRUNK OR TREATING - October 30th 3:00 PM Infants through 5th grade children are invited to join us for games, crafts, trunk or treating and refreshments. Feel free to invite family members, friends and neighbors. Contact Julie Jones with any questions 410-795-2890 or juliejones3@comcast.net. We are in need of decorated trunks for this event. Fall Fest starts at 3:00 PM, trunks will need to be ready at 3:30 PM. Please let Julie know if you can participate in making this a special day for our kids!!!

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY – On November 6th at both services we will celebrate All Saints Sunday. You are invited to bring a framed picture of those you would like to remember. You may drop pictures off to the church office any time before Sunday, October 30th. Please put your name on the back.

HOLLY MART DAY- November 12, 2016 from 8:30 AM -2:00 PM. This is a little more than a month away. There are many ways you can help! The kitchen will need donations of food items and bakers. The craft room is still in need of help on Wednesday mornings. Consider donating a basket, ticket to events, money or gift cards to the Silent Auction. Homemade baked goods will also be needed for the bake table. The White Elephant room will soon be collecting slightly used items for their room. All areas will need volunteers before and during the Holly Mart. **Please look for sign-up sheets next week on the bulletin board in the Narthex.**

CAMPERSHIP - EUMC Ad Council has approved the " Earn a free week at Camp Manidokan for excellent Sunday School Attendance " program for 2017. For every camper who participates in this program and attends Sunday School from 10/16/2016 through 5/21/2017 with four or less absences, the church will fund a campership (pay registration and camp costs). If your child/camper participates yet missed more than four classes, the church will still pay the \$100 deposit for camp for your camper. If your camper subsequently does NOT attend the week of camp after the church has already made a deposit, we ask that you help find a substitute camper or remit the \$100 back to the church. The camp director just confirmed that the **dates for camp are SUN 7/16/2017 through FRI 7/21/2017**. Please indicate your intent to participate in this program to Dave/Sandy Biddinger by 10/16/2016.

BLESSINGS BAGS - It is time once again to start collecting items for the Blessing Bags that we hand out to the clients we serve at the cold weather shelter. The folks who received them last year were most appreciative! We will be filling them again with food and personal care items. Many of the personal care items can be purchased at area dollar stores. The specific items needed are on the sign up sheet in the narthex. All donations need to be brought to church by Sunday November 20, 2016. You may also make a monetary donation, please mark it "Blessing Bags".

COLD WEATHER SHELTER - beginning in November, we'll be providing one evening dinner per month for the Cold Weather Shelter in Westminster, on the 3rd Sunday of the month, for the months of November - March. The sign-up sheet will be posted this Saturday. We'll need a couple of volunteers to serve, and roughly 4 contributions of a dish, each month. Please consider this valuable ministry. In addition, the Cold Weather Shelter is asking for donations of new or lightly used winter clothing articles. I'll put a collection bin in the narthex. The needs are for MEN and WOMEN in ALL SIZES: Winter Coats (insulated, preferably with hoods), winter gloves, knit hats, socks, underwear & boxer shorts (NEW ONLY PLEASE!) sweat pants and sweat shirts (especially larger sizes).

EAGLE PROJECT - Shaun Arnold has chosen Ebenezer UMC as the recipient of his Eagle project. Shaun will prepare the ground under the new playset and fill with playground chips. He will also be building and adding picnic tables and benches. To raise funds for this project, he will be selling sports cups. You may take a look at what teams they offer on their website – <http://www.spiritcupsfundraising.com/fundraising-products/>. Shaun will be selling at Holly Mart, but will take orders anytime between now and then.

OLDER WISER LIVELIER SENIORS- If you are retired or are old enough to be retired, you are eligible for OWLS. It is one of the perks, just like receiving a sweet monthly deposit in your checking account, or finally being on medicare, or getting a discount at McDonalds. Denial of your age will get you nowhere with this group; we celebrate the Golden Years. Our Vanity Plates read, "60+ & Proud of It!" Membership fees are \$1.00 per month and a covered dish, which may be coleslaw from the deli or a pie from the bakery. Some talented cooks may create delicious casseroles and confections, but a bag of chips will get you in the door. OWLS meets the first Wednesday of each month from September through June in the social hall. Lunch is at noon, but we gather as early as 11am to help setup and to catchup on the latest gossip. There is always a lively program, you don't want to miss the fight at the Christmas Party. Dress is casual, sometimes even ridiculous. You need not be a member of Ebenezer, all bald heads and gray heads are welcome.

