

EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

4901 Woodbine Road
Sykesville, Maryland 21784
Rev. Judith A. Emerson, Pastor

January 29, 2017
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

WELCOME

THE PRELUDE

(11:00 AM)

“Largo”

Mandel

“Let Justice Roll Down Like A Mighty Stream”

Joyful Noise and Cherub Choirs

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

INTROIT

“Jesus, Name Above All Names”

TFWS No. 2071

**Jesus, name above all names,
beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us,
blessed Redeemer, living Word.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

How shall we worship our God?

We have heard what the Lord requires of us.

Leave empty talk and pride behind.

We must walk the walk.

Prepare to step out in faith, even into troubled waters.

Only God knows where we might need to go.

Don't be afraid.

Jesus will guide our steps along the way.

Jesus will teach us to walk humbly and to love boldly.

He will teach us to serve God with body, soul, mind and strength.

Let us pray for the humility and courage to follow where the Spirit leads.

*HYMN

“Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service”

UMH No. 581

OPENING PRAYER

God of our lives, you are always turning the world upside down, challenging us to follow you into new ventures, new challenges, new ways to care, new ways to touch the hearts of all. When we get tired, or feel disappointed, remind us that you can bring change and hope out of the most difficult situations, so that we may do justice, love kindly and walk humbly with you always. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Micah 6:1-8

OT pg. 816

SOLO

"May the Lord Bless You"

Brenda Seibly

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:1-12

NT pg. 4

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

Thanks be to God. Amen.

HYMN

“Blest Are They”

TFWS No. 2155

SERMON

“Over the Line!”

Rev. Judy Emerson

HYMN

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

UMH No. 396

PRAYERS 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.

GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Announcements

Offertory (11:00 AM)

“Gloria Tibi”

Chancel Choir

*Presentation of Gifts

*Doxology

UMH No. 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

O God, you have led us to this place to heal and inspire us, to gently redirect us, until we see the world as you do and love it with your love. With our gifts, we affirm that your generosity can make us all into a new creation by the way we give of ourselves. By these gifts help us to see the world not as it is, but as it could be, that we may become good news to all in Jesus’ name. Amen.

*HYMN

“Just A Closer Walk With Thee”

TFWS No. 2158

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

*POSTLUDE

TFWS=*The Faith We Sing Hymnal*
UMH=*The United Methodist Hymnal*
* = *Congregation stands as able*

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

Church Email: eumcwinfield@gmail.com

Pastor's Office: (410) 795-1237

Pastor's Email: revjae@aol.com

Pastor: Rev. Judy Emerson

Secretary: Cindi Arnold

Music Director: Linda Bange

Treasurer: Sandy Wean

Nursery Coordinator: Jess Middleton

Nursery Coordinator: Olivia Wisner

Prayer Requests

Dawn Stevens, Nancy Thompson,
Butch Barnes, Rev. Ann Adams

Last Week

Attendance: 122 Offering: \$4,191.00

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.

Worship Today

Service	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Greeters	Jim Leary	Dave Biddinger
Ushers	Rick & Brenda Baker	Billy & Bonnie Zavona
Liturgists	Kate Luetze	Billy Zavona

SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Wednesday, February 1 st	OWLS Luncheon	12:00 PM
	Children's Choir	6:30 PM
	Chancel Choir	7:30 PM
Thursday, February 2 nd	Spring Fling Meeting	6:30 PM



SNOW POLICY – With the start of winter comes the threat of bad weather. We want to keep everyone safe. So please...in the event of questionable weather, check the church website, facebook, email, or phone for any updates before you leave your house. See the full snow policy on the bulletin board in the narthex.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

NEW MEMBERS – If you are interested in learning more about joining the Ebenezer UMC family this year, contact Rev. Judy at the church office or by emailing her at revjae@aol.com. We will receive new members in February.

WOMEN'S RETREAT 2017 - March 17-19: "God's Miracles" Save the date for this year's Women's Retreat! You won't want to miss it at our new location of Skycroft Conference Center in Middletown, Maryland. **Brochures and Registration Forms** are in the narthex. There is also a chart on the bulletin board showing if you have already signed up and paid a deposit. **The final payment is due by February 12th.** Any questions can be directed to Susan Brown at StmpnSusan@AOL.com or by calling [410-442-2884](tel:410-442-2884).

SCHWAN'S FUNDRAISER FOR EUMC – If you would like to order from Schwans-Cares.com for frozen food home delivery, they will give a percentage back to the church. You must enter our campaign ID 31130 in order for us to receive these funds! Check the newsletter for more details!

GIVING STATEMENTS FOR 2016 are available now! If you have not received yours please contact Lori Rapids, our Financial Secretary.

NEW OFFICE LOCKBOX – There has been a lockbox installed in the church office to the left of the mailboxes. Moving forward, please make sure any cash or checks that you would normally leave for the money counters is put in this box. There are envelopes on the outside if you need to note what the money is for.

AMAZON SMILE PROGRAM - Great News! If you ever shop online at Amazon...1. go to smile.amazon.com instead of the usual Amazon.com site. 2. search for and select Ebenezer United Methodist Church as your supported charity. You will find 4 Ebenezer(s) in SMILE; ours clearly says Sykesville, Md. From then on, EUMC automatically receives 1/2 % of all your purchases. The only difference in your shopping experience is having to go to smile.amazon.com.

SAVE OLD GREETING CARDS – Please bring in your old cards to donate to the ARC of Carroll County for projects with their clients. A box is located in the narthex over the coat rack. If you have questions, please contact Sharon Grim at 410-489-7455 or by email at robertgrim@comcast.net

DATE NIGHT - Feb 11, 2017 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM. The Camp Hope team is providing babysitting for toddlers through 12 years old. There is a signup sheet on the Camp Hope bulletin board and more information. Help support our fundraising efforts and also enjoy a night out worry free.

