

# EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Rev. Judith A. Emerson, Pastor  
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September 1, 2019  
10:00 AM

## The 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost Order of Worship

### WELCOME

*Welcome to Ebenezer UMC. We pray that you will experience this service as a sacred moment. Please be sure to complete the attendance roster sitting on the end of the pew and pass it to others sitting next to you. May this time of worship be a blessing and a time of spiritual renewal!*

PRELUDE "We Believe in One true God" arr. By Glycannon

### LIGHTING THE CANDLES

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to God, our strength; cry out to God, our helper. Rejoice, and do not fear to appear before God.

**It is God who led our ancestors through hard times. It is God who leads us through difficult days.**

God will not leave us or forsake us. God welcomes us to the banquet of life.

**God fills our mouths with good things. God offers us fountains of living waters.**

Listen now to the voice of God and submit to God's will. Hear the Word of God and turn away from worthless things.

**We will delight in the commandments of our God. We will share eagerly in the work God gives us to do.**

\*OPENING HYMN "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" UMH 581

### OPENING PRAYER

**Gracious God, our helper, we see the assurance of your presence in this time of worship. We have come to listen and to receive your counsel. Melt our stubborn hearts to remember the barriers that keep us from seeing your glory and doing your will. Challenge all that is worthless and unprofitable in our lives, that we may become worthy imitators of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Alleluia! Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON The Epistle Hebrews 13:1-8 NT pg. 213

In this passage Christians are urged to live moral, hospitable and charitable lives, recalling the faith and examples of their leaders, but especially the unchanging Jesus.

The Gospel Luke 14:1, 7-14 NT pg. 72

In this Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about humility and teaches his host that he should invite the poor and infirm to his feasts. Both the parable and the teaching have a still deeper significance.

This is the Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

HYMN "Come, Ye Sinners Poor and Needy" UMH No. 340

SERMON "When Mickey Mouse Recognizes You" Rev. Ann Adams

HYMN "Jesu, Jesu, Fill us with Your Love" UMH No. 432

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns  
Pastoral Prayer

### THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Announcements  
Offertory  
\*Presentation of Gifts  
\*Doxology

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" UMH No. 160  
**Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore,  
the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forever more.  
Rejoice, Rejoice, Rejoice, give thanks and sing!**

\*Prayer of Dedication

**In joyous thanksgiving for the banquet of life, we invite those who live in poverty to share our wealth. We give up some of our luxuries for the sake of brothers and sisters who lack food, shelter, or medical care. We reach out to help, expecting no reward, but the satisfaction of sharing what you have so richly entrusted to us. We dedicate our time and abilities along with these fruits of our labor. 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

Sharing the Cup

Communion Offering for Carroll County Food Sunday

Communion Hymns: #474, #389, #128

Prayer Following Communion

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. We promise that through us mutual love will continue. We will extend ourselves to show hospitality to strangers. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*HYMN

*“Lord God, Your Love Has Called Us Here“*

UMH 579

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE

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



# Welcome to Ebenezer United Methodist Church

Website: [ebenezerumchurch.org](http://ebenezerumchurch.org)

Church Office Hours -Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Worship: 10:00 AM  
September 1, 2019

Church Office: (410) 795-6136  
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Pastor: Rev. Judy Emerson  
Music Director: Linda Bange  
Treasurer: Sandy Wean

Secretary: Cindi Arnold  
Nursery Coordinator: Jess Middleton  
Nursery Coordinator: Lisa Humphries

## Notes

Nursery for Infants through Kindergarten is every 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**

<b>Service</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>
Greeters	Jim Leary
Ushers	Mel & Carol Wroten
Liturgists	Carolene Will

## **This Week's Schedule**

Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>

OWLS – Taylorsville UMC  
Chancel Choir practice

Noon  
7:30 PM



**Next Week!**  
**September 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Worship at 8:30 AM**  
**Sunday School at 9:45 AM**  
**Worship at 11:00 AM**

**Come join us as we return to our regular Sunday schedule.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NEWSLETTER** – Sept/Oct newsletters are available today at the back of the sanctuary.

**FALL WORSHIP** – On Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> we will return to our fall schedule. Worship will be at 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM. Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 AM.

**CONFIRMATION CHANGE** - Confirmation will begin on Sunday, September 8th as a regular session with Cyndi and Doug Diethrich in the classroom on the 2nd floor of the parsonage at 9:45 AM. The parent/mentor/confirmand meeting is rescheduled for Sunday, September 22nd during the Sunday School hour in the sanctuary.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES** – Please check the newsletter for information about Sunday School classes. Some of the grade levels have changed this year.

**CHANCEL CHOIR** – Practices begin this Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM in the Sanctuary.

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** - Children's Choir will start on Wednesday, September 11th 6:30-7:15 on the second floor of the food pantry. I look forward to seeing all returning members and hope to have some new children join the fun! All 4-year olds-5th graders are welcome to join! Ask your friends, neighbors, grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

**PARENTS:** Is your child away from home at school, in the military, or working or volunteering somewhere far away? Ebenezer would like to keep in touch with them! Parents can 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](mailto:elliebaublitz@netscape.net):

**Student's/child's name, college/military/other address, what year they are in, birthday, and any other relevant information you would like to share about the student's life and activities.**

**HOLLY MART VENDORS** - We still have spots available for vendors. Please let Susan Brown ([StmpnSusan@aol.com](mailto:StmpnSusan@aol.com)) know if you would like a spot or know someone who does!

**SAFE SANCTUARY** - Anyone who works with children at any capacity during the year needs to fill out a safe sanctuary form yearly. This form is titled "Laity Sexual Misconduct Questionnaire" and is located in the hanging file on the bulletin board. If you have filled the form out before, please answer questions 1 and 2 and *sign the back of the paper*. First timers, please fill the whole sheet. Please leave signed forms in Cindi's mailbox.

**ENGRAVED PAVERS** – Our new walkway and office entrance will include a patio designed with pavers. We are providing an opportunity for members and friends of Ebenezer to donate a paver to help pay for the initial installation of the patio and walkway. Pavers can be inscribed with your name or the name of a loved one. They can be donated in memory of someone, in honor of someone or just because! Please see the order forms for more information. They are located on the bulletin board.

**CHARGE CONFERENCE 2019** - Ebenezer's Annual Charge Conference is scheduled for Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 1:30 PM. We will meet at St. Paul's UMC in Sykesville. Please plan on attending as we gather to celebrate our accomplishment from 2019 and look ahead to all God has in store for us in 2020.