

EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**4901 Woodbine Road
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*Rev. Judith A. Emerson, Pastor
Linda Bange, Director of Music/Organist
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM*

Order of Worship October 13, 2019

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

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the midst of a hectic week we have come to worship God.

Our lives are pulled in so many directions, we seek God's guidance.

Let go of the burdens that weigh you down. God will take them.

We thank God for the respite we are given.

Tune your hearts and voices in praise to God.

Let our voices bear the joy we feel because of God's love for us.

*OPENING HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH No. 140

OPENING PRAYER

For the healing love you have offered to us; for the patience you have with us; for your presence that will never fail, we give you thanks, O Lord. During this time of worship we pray that you will bring our hearts and spirits to you that we may nurture our faith and grow in our service to you by serving others. We ask this in Jesus 'Name. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us now rest in God's mercy as we make our confession to God. Let us pray...

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient Lord, you know how easy it is for us to whine and complain bitterly about all those things in our lives that are difficult. We focus on them as though they were the only things that ever happened to us, forgetting the many blessings that you have given to us and the opportunities you give us to serve you. We feel alienated--you call us beloved. We feel lost--you seek us. We feel broken and battered--your love is a healing balm. Forgive us when we forget those things. Help us to always look to you for our healing and to return thanks to you by praise and serving others in your name. We offer this prayer of confession of our failures and gratitude for your blessings. Amen..

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Turn again to the Lord, for you are beloved of God and have been given many blessings. Rejoice in God's love for you. Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON

2 Timothy 2:8-15

NT pg. 200

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 17:11-19

NT pg. 75

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

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Jesus, Name Above All Names"

TFWS No. 2071

SERMON

"It s An Invitation"

Rev. Judy Emerson

HYMN

"Give Thanks"

TFWS No. 2036

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Requests

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 (8:30 AM)

“Rejoice!”

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

God of Healing, you intimately know our personal storms and private challenges. You sent Jesus to restore and to mend our broken faith. We now entrust these gifts to your care so that your reconciling love may be a beacon of hope for those in despair. In your Holy Name, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN

God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale”

UMH No. 122

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*POSTLUDE



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 & 11:00 AM

Sunday School 9:45 AM

October 13, 2019

Church Office: (410) 795-6136

Pastor's Office: (410) 795-1237

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Pastor's Email: revjae@aol.com

Notes

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.

2019 Regular Offering Summary			
	Actual	Budget	Difference
10/6/19	5,942.00	4,098.08	1,843.92
Year to Date	181,790.31	163,923.20	17,867.11

Attendance Last Week: 123
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Worship Today

Service	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Greeters	Jim Leary	Dave Biddinger
Ushers	Jim & Doris Leary	Scott & Sharon Lange
Liturgist	Bill Jones	Deb Mathias

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, October 13 th	Children's Church	11:00 AM
	Confirmation meeting – FP2	Noon – 3:00 PM
	Kringgold cleanup	Noon
Monday, October 14 th	Feed My Sheep	10:30 AM
Tuesday, October 15 th	Brinton Woods	10:30 AM
Wednesday, October 16 th	Children's Choir	6:30 PM
	Chancel Choir	7:30 PM
Thursday, October 17 th	Holly Mart Crafts – FP2	9:30 AM – 2:00 PM
	WOWS meeting	6:30 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFIRMATION CLASS – The confirmation class will meet today in the food pantry building from Noon until 3:00 PM. Lunch will be provided.

NEW MEMBERS GATHERING - will take place in November. If you are interested in becoming a member of Ebenezer, please contact Rev. Judy at revjae@aol.com or by calling the church office.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE – Please be sure to turn lights off and lock up as you leave any of our buildings. If it has a switch, turn it off. Also – even though you think you have locked the doors, please give it an extra push to make sure it is latched. We need to all work together to ensure the safety of our buildings.

2019 GOD'S CREATION CALENDARS – are in. Still a bargain at \$6 each. See Cindi Arnold.

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

JAM- PICKLE- JELLY SALE – This year’s sale will take place on Sunday, October 20th and 27th. Order forms are in your bulletin today. Help make this a good fundraiser again this year.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY – is Sunday, November 3rd. We will again decorate our sanctuary with pictures of your loved ones. Please bring framed photos with your name on the back to the church office by October 31st.

NEWSLETTER – The Nov-Dec-Jan newsletter articles are due to the office by October 21st.

CHILDREN’S SABBATH – will be celebrated on Sunday, October 20th. Youth participants will be practicing during Children’s Church today.

HOLLY MART CRAFTS – Holly Mart is right around the corner and we are still in need of help. No experience needed! We appreciate any extra hands. Please see sign up sheets on the bulletin board. Craft days start at 9:30 AM and will wrap up around 2:00 PM in the food pantry building. Light lunch will be provided.

October 17th check out last year’s crafts and finish up started crafts

October 24th Making Bird Feeders

HOLLY MART - is just a little more than a month away! **November 9th** will be her before we know it. Please see the bulletin board in the narthex to see how you can aid in making this year’s Holly Mart successful. Whether it is volunteering to work; help with crafting; donating food items or money for kitchen needs; baking and/or making candy for the bake table AND/OR donating a new or handmade item for the Silent Auction. All help is greatly appreciated!

MENS GROUP UPDATE - Sat., Dec 14, 8:30 AM at IHOP in Eldersburg – Christmas outing!

FALL 2019 MEN’S GROUP RETREAT - Friday Nov 1-Sunday Nov 3 at Manidokan Camp and Retreat Center, 1600 Harpers Ferry Rd, Knoxville, MD 21758. The signup sheet is in the Narthex (or email Scott Murchie at scott.murchie@jhuapl.edu)

COLD WEATHER SHELTER - We will be supporting the Cold Weather Shelter in Westminster the 3rd Sunday of each month with a hot home-made dinner from November to March. A signup sheet will be posted in the narthex shortly. NEW ITEM: Each week in addition to a couple of people to serve food, we are requesting a coordinator to pick up contributed food items from anyone who is not showing up in person at the shelter. I will still organize by email and coordinate with the Cold Weather Shelter staff.

ROCK 2020 – Planning has started for ROCK, to be held in Ocean City Feb 7th – 9th. Please let Ms Nancy know if you are interested in going.

WINFIELD FALL FEST – Winfield VFD Ladies Auxiliary is holding a Fall Fest on Oct. 26th from Noon to 4:00 PM. Youth 6-12th grade please look at your calendars early to see if you can help. Come for one hour or stay for the entire time. Whatever you can give would be great. We will be helping with the pumpkin painting station. See Julie Jones for more info. Scout Troop 733 is sponsoring a scarecrow making station. Any old clothing donations would be welcome. See the flyer on the bulletin board and come support the ladies auxiliary.

WOMEN’S RETREAT 2020 - We have booked Skycroft for March 20-22, 2020 so please consider going again (or for the first time)! Registration is open and requires a \$25 non-refundable deposit per person. We booked for a low number, but can add more if there is availability, so please do not wait until the last minute! Now is the time! Any questions contact Susan Brown, StmpnSusan@AOL.com.

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.