EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Rev. Judith A. Emerson, Pastor Linda Bange, Organist/Music Director

> November 17, 2019 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Order of Worship

WELCOME

Welcome to Ebenezer United Methodist Church. We are blessed by your presence. It is important to us to have a record of your attendance today. Please be sure to sign the roster at the end of the pew and pass it to others near you. May this time of worship be a blessing to you today and in the week ahead. Please use this time to be in silent prayer.

PRELUDE "Sheep May Safely Graze" JS Bach

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come to the river Jordan; wash and be made clean!

Baptize us with water, and the heavens above shall open!

Come to the river Jordan, shout your prayers to God with thanksgiving.

Baptize us with water, and the Spirit shall descend.

O Dove, swoop down on a rushing wind; let the sound of our prayers fill the house of the Lord.

*HYMN "I'll Fly Away" TWFS No. 2278

OPENING PRAYER

O God of our salvation, you are our hope! Yesterday your wisdom established the mountains; today your power stills the seas; tomorrow may your grace bring peace to all peoples. This is our conviction and calling; that we should share your wisdom, power and grace to a world stumbling and fainting in its folly, succumbing to its violence. Endow us, O Lord, with the courage, strength and compassion to walk in your way, so that through us, the world might be saved. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Lord only asks that we knock at the door to receive grace and forgiveness. Perhaps it is high time we did!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgive us, Dear Jesus, for having been such inept students of history and of humanity. Enable us to learn from experience; help us to profit from mistakes. Let us feel you're your presence at work in others for our sake; let others feel your presence at work in us for their sake. Amen.

ASSURANCE AND PARDON

Jesus said wherever there are two or more gathered in my name, there I shall be also. This, indeed, is blessed assurance.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 65:17-21 OT pg. 654

GOSPEL READING Matthew 6:9-13 NT pg. 5

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

Thanks be to God.

HYMN "It Is Well With My Soul" UMH No. 377

SERMON "Give It A Try" Pastor Chuck

HYMN "Give Thanks" TWFS No. 2036

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.

THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Announcements

Offertory (11:00 AM) "Go Out With Joy" 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!

*Prayer of Dedication

Dear Lord, we ask that you bless our gifts and use them for the work of your kingdom here on earth--work toward peace, work toward joy, work toward love. Amen.

*HYMN "Soon And Very Soon" UMH No.706

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*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 & 11:00 AM Sunday School 9:45 AM November 17, 2019

<u>Church Office</u>: (410) 795-6136 <u>Church Email</u>: <u>eumcwinfield@gmail.com</u>

Pastor's Office: (410) 795-1237 Pastor's Email: revjae@aol.com

<u>Pastor:</u> Rev. Judy Emerson <u>Secretary</u>: Cindi Arnold

<u>Music Director</u>: Linda Bange <u>Nursery Coordinator</u>: Jess Middleton <u>Treasurer</u>: Sandy Wean <u>Nursery Coordinator</u>: Lisa Humphries

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	
11/10/19	5,785.00	4,098.08	1,686.92	
Year to Date	206,972.31	184,413.60	22,558.71	

Attendance Last Week: 173

Worship Today

Service	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Greeters	Jim Leary	Dave Biddinger
Ushers	Kenny & Sandy Wean	Rodriguez Family
Liturgist	Sandy Wean	Dave Biddinger

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, November 17 th	Poinsettia orders due	
•	UMYF	4:00 PM
	Cold Weather Shelter Dinner	
Tuesday, November 19 th	Brinton Woods	10:30 AM
	Holly Mart Wrap-up meet – FP2	7:00 PM
Wednesday, November 20 th	Children's Choir	6:30 PM
	Chancel Choir	7:30 PM
Thursday, November 21st	WOWS meeting – parsonage	6:30 PM



NEW MEMBERS

New Members will be joining Ebenezer on Sunday, December 15th. If you are interested in joining and haven't met with Rev. Judy yet, please contact the church office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POINSETTIA ORDERS – Forms are due today! Order forms are on the table with the bulletins. Flowers will be placed in the sanctuary for Christmas Eve services.

YOUTH GROUP - will meet today at 4:00 PM in the Food Pantry building.

ADVENT WREATH - We need people to light the Advent wreath during worship again this year. You and your family or you and someone from your church family can join together and participate in worship in a meaningful way. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Please prayerfully consider participating in worship in this special way during the Advent Season.

PASTORAL CARE - Rev. Judy will be away on medical leave. If you have a pastoral emergency, please contact the church office. You may leave a message and the Pastor on call will respond as soon as possible.

THANKSGIVING – We will have a Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 27th at 7:30 PM.

CHRISTMAS DINNER – Get your tickets now for the most fun you will have in one night! Come enjoy our Christmas Dinner on December 7th at the Winfield Fire Hall. A sign-up table will be set up in the narthex. Reservations must be made by Dec. 1st.

2020 GOD'S CREATION CALENDARS – are in. Still a bargain at \$6 each. See Cindi Arnold.

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.

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.

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.

YOUTH GROUP NOVEMBER SERVICE PROJECT - We are collecting items to fill Christmas stockings for children in Carroll County. The Shepherd's Staff is asking for the following items. Our deadline is November 24th. Look for a box in the narthex to donate your items! Thank you

Items needed include:

Infants: Pacifiers, bottles, bibs, one-piece outfits, socks, booties, and baby toys.

Toddlers and school aged children: School supplies: pens, pencils, crayons, markers, writing pads, etc.

Toys: small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, flashlights, coloring books, books, jump ropes, bubbles, toy that light up or make noise, etc.

Hygiene items: toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, mild soap, comb, brush, etc.

Other: t-shirt, socks, hair accessories, jewelry, watches etc.

Love to have included: the biblical Christmas Story, religious CD's/DVD's

Please do not include:

Used or damaged items, war-related items, such as toy guns or knives, chocolate or food, out of date candy, breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers, or aerosol cans.

GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER –Christmas is coming! Gift cards make great gifts or purchase cards now and use later for your Christmas shopping (lessens the burden of spending too much money at one time!). Either way – earn money for our church! Purchase gift cards to your favorite stores and restaurants for your everyday shopping and enjoyment as well. The church gets a portion of all sales. Orders are placed at least twice a month. Order forms are available in the narthex or go to ShopwithScrip.com and see a more extensive selection! Contact Susan Brown with any questions stmpnsusan@aol.com.