

EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

May 19, 2024
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Pentecost Sunday
Order of Worship

WELCOME

Today we celebrate Pentecost! On Pentecost Sunday, we remember the day the disciples received the Holy Spirit in a special way. The story in Acts 2 describes a powerful wind and tongues of fire as the Holy Spirit was poured out on people from all over the world who came to Jerusalem to celebrate a Jewish feast. At the first Pentecost over 3000 people were baptized, creating the first church. This is why Pentecost is known as the birthday of the Christian Church.

PRELUDE (11:00 AM) *“Praise to the Spirit”* Chancel Choir

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God sweeps through our midst like a mighty wind.
God gives us new breath and awakens our spirits.
Let us sing to God as long as we live!
May our worship be pleasing to God in whom we rejoice!

*HYMN *“Spirit of God”* TFWS No. 2117

OPENING PRAYER

Mighty God, sweep through our midst like the rush of a mighty wind and give us new breath. Awaken our spirits, inspire our praise, set us on fire with your love. May no one here remain unmoved by your presence or cut off from the dreams you inspire in us today. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

EPISTLE LESSON Acts 2:1-21 NT pg. 111
This lesson tells the story of the Holy Spirit filling the apostles and empowering them to share the message of the gospel with people of different languages.

GOSPEL LESSON John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15 NT pg. 104
Our lesson tells of the assurance of the resurrection promises made real in the varied dimensions of Christian life and mission.

HYMN *“Spirit of the Living God”* UMH No. 393

SERMON ***“Some Fresh Air!”*** Rev. Judy Emerson

HYMN *“Spirit Song”* UMH No. 347

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
Offering our Gifts
Offertory (11:00 AM) *“The Gospel of Grace”* 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

Holy Spirit, come upon us now. We feel your joy as we celebrate this glorious day. With a sense of happiness and gratitude, we eagerly offer you these financial gifts for your ministry in this community and beyond. May all who call upon your name be saved from selfishness and filled with habits of generous giving. All praise and glory be unto you, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*HYMN *"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"* TFWS No. 2153

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

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

Announcements

May 19, 2024

NEWSLETTER articles are due no later than Monday, May 27, 2024. If you have an article you want in the newsletter for your committee or event for June, July or August please get them into the office as soon as possible. Thank you!

GRADUATE RECOGNITION Please let us know of any active members of EUMC who are graduating this year from High School or College. Send their names, where they are graduating from and what they will be doing after graduation to the office. We are so proud of our Graduates and we would like to recognize them on Sunday, **June 2, 2024**, at our 10 AM service with a brief reception to follow worship.

CRUISING 101 stay for the Reception on June 2nd and congratulate our Graduates then meet across the hall in the Sunday School Room #1 at 11:30 AM. Come and learn the basics of cruising. If you have any questions or if you want to personalize your cruise experience, please contact Linda Dayhoff at 410-875-2093 or at dayoff@comcast.net.

SCHOLARSHIPS The EUMC undergraduate scholarship application is available now in the Narthex and at www.ebenezerumchurch.org under Resources. This scholarship is available to active church members (under age 23) for up to four years of undergraduate studies, including trade and vocational school. Applications are due no later than June 2nd.

NEW MEMBERS GATHERING WITH REV. JUDY on June 4, 2024, at 7:00 PM in room #1 across from the kitchen. Glass doors on the parsonage side will be unlocked. Anyone interested in learning more about becoming a member of Ebenezer UMC is invited to attend. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex if you are planning to join us for this gathering.

CLEAN-UP DAY is on June 8, 2024. Please come out and help the Trustees keep our church and grounds looking beautiful. Just show up in your grubby clothes and someone will tell you where the most help is needed. Thank you in advance for your willingness to help.

C.R.E.W. 2024 JUNE 24th – 28th As we get ready to launch our first C.R.E.W. project with our youth in June, we are asking for monetary donations towards the meals for our volunteers. If you would like to help support this new mission, please mark checks with C.R.E.W. Meals. For more info, contact Ruth Heslen (Meals Coordinator) at RuthieHeslen@gmail.com.

VBS 2024 July 22nd thru July 26th, 6:00-8:30 PM. Mark your calendars now. If you are available to help for VBS week, please contact Cindi Arnold, darno455@aol.com. Sign up at <https://ebenezerunitedmethodistchurch.mycokesburyvbs.com/> Music CD/Downloads are available now! This year we would like to ask for monetary donations toward our VBS dinners. If you would like to support this need, mark checks with VBS Dinners. Any questions please contact Sandy Wean.

SUNDAY SCHOOL the last day for Sunday School will be May 26, 2024. Thank you so much to all of our wonderful teachers! We appreciate all of you!

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 2, 2024 – September 1, 2024

One Service at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

June – August

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM



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Office Hours

Tues, Wed & Thurs 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM - Noon

Nursery

Infants through Kindergarten during worship!

Pastor
Rev. Judy Emerson

Music Director
Linda Bange

Secretary
Lori Rapids

Co-Treasurers
Steve & Katie Cave

Nursery Coordinator
Lisa Humphries

Nursery Coordinator
Susan Rodriguez

Date	Offering	Attendance
Last Week: 05/12/24	\$3,564	115
Worship Leaders	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Ushers	Rocky Mabry & Rick Byrd	Doug & Cyndi Diethrich
Liturgist	Mindy Coates	Dave Biddinger
Acolyte	Kyle Flater	Ryan Pieciewicz
Date	Event	Time
Sunday, May 19 th	Youth Group – Nerf Wars	6:00 – 8:00 PM
Monday, May 20 th	C.R.E.W. Meeting	7:00 PM
Tuesday, May 21 st	Bible Study – Rev. Gray Finance Committee - Zoom	9:30 – 11:00 AM 6:30 PM
Wednesday, May 22 nd	Joyful Noise	6:30-7:15 PM
Thursday, May 23 rd	Holly Mart Crafters	9:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Sunday, May 26 th	Last day of Sunday School Children's Church	9:45 AM 11:00 AM
Monday, June 3 rd	Ad Council Meeting	7:00 PM