



**Ebenezer United Methodist Church**

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**Office Hours**

Tues - Thurs 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM to Noon

**Worship**

8:30 AM Service in Sanctuary

9:45 – 10:45 AM Sunday School for all ages

11:00 AM Service in Sanctuary

DATE	OFFERING	ATTENDANCE
Last Week: 3/29/26	\$5,152.	137
WORSHIP LEADERS	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Liturgist	Jen Klausmeyer	Bill Jones
Ushers	Rick & Brenda Baker	Travis/Caleb Saulsbury and Jim Brown
Acolyte	John Mosko	Betsy Pollard
DATE	EVENT	TIME
Tuesday, April 7th	Adult Bible Study with Rev. Rick Gray	9:30 – 11:00 AM
Wednesday, April 8 <sup>th</sup>	Girl Scouts	6:00 – 7:45 PM
	Children's Choir	6:30 – 7:15 PM
Thursday, April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Holly Mart Crafters	9:30 AM – 12:00 PM
	Pachelbells	6:45 – 7:30 PM
Sunday, April 12 <sup>th</sup>	VBS Meeting – Room #4	Noon

**SAFE SANCTUARY POLICY** - In accordance with Ebenezer's Safe Sanctuary Policy, we are asking that all children, 3rd grade and under, always be accompanied by an adult in the church building and on the church property. If your child needs to leave the sanctuary for any reason, an adult needs to go with him/her.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 5, 2026

**VBS MEETING** - We will have a meeting for all volunteers on **April 12<sup>th</sup>** after the second service in Room #4.

**MEN'S MINI-RETREAT - Saturday, May 2**, 8:30 AM-2:00 PM. Rev. Rick Gray will be leading the retreat. The Theme is *Encountering Jesus Along Our Faith Journey*. The day will start with breakfast at 8:30 AM, followed by morning sessions from 9 AM to 12 noon. Subway lunch will be brought in at noon and then we'll have an early afternoon session and adjourn by 2 PM. The link to sign up and reserve a breakfast order is below. If you have questions about the retreat experience, ask Rick; for questions on logistics or to sign up without using the link, talk to Scott Murchie or call him at 240-381-8137.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BABA92BA2FB6-ebenezer#/>

**ORIOLES FAITH NIGHT - Thursday, July 9<sup>th</sup>**. The game is at 6:35 PM vs. the Chicago Cubs, followed by player testimonials and a performance by a contemporary Christian band. The cost for tickets and parking will be between \$25-\$30 each, depending on the size of the group. Multiple parking passes for lot B/C have been secured so we will be able to park relatively close to the stadium. A group will meet at church at 4:30 PM to carpool to the game. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Please contact Karl Streaker via email at [4streakers@comcast.net](mailto:4streakers@comcast.net). The due date for signing up is **Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**.

**VBS - July 20<sup>th</sup> - July 24<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 PM - 8:15 PM. Snowball Mountain Challenge!**

Come and find your strength in God! Registration is now open for all kids ages 3 years through entering 5th grade. Light dinner served nightly starting at 5:30 PM.

Are you willing to be part of our incredible volunteer team? Sign up as well! Lastly, if you are a parent of a child attending, or just an adult who wants to be part of the fun, Rev. Rick will again be sharing a bible study based on the same stories at the same time. Please sign up! *"I can do all things through him who strengthens me"* (Philippians 4:13 NRSV) See our VBS Website

- <https://www.myvbs.org/eumc2026>

**TREASURE SALE - April 25<sup>th</sup> - 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM.** Save your spring-cleaning items to donate to the sale. Items can be dropped off on Thursday, April 23rd and Friday, April 24th, in the Fellowship Hall. **Volunteers** are needed for this event. Please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Any questions, contact Nancy Thompson @ 410-251-1509.

**MANIDOKAN** - Camp this year will be from **July 12<sup>th</sup> to July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board if you are interested in attending. If you have questions, please get in touch with Rachel Biddinger at 443-547-0519.

**EBENEZER CRUISERS - There's Still Time to Join!** Invite your friends and neighbors to join us on this fantastic cruise! Call Linda @ 410-875-2093 for cabin availability and pricing. Information is on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

**NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY** – Universal Church Directories will be here taking pictures on **June 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>** from 2:00 – 8:30 PM so mark your calendars NOW! We haven't had a directory since 2022, and we have so many new families to include this time. We will need a few volunteers on both picture days to help sign people in. More information will be coming out soon, so stay tuned!

**COMPASSION CLOSET** - It's **SPRING!** We are in the process of passing on winter clothes and are looking for spring and summer clothes. Our neighbors have been very appreciative of the coats, blankets, and winter wear. The Compassion Closet continues to meet the needs of many, and your donations are greatly appreciated. Please get in touch with Nancy Thompson if you have items you would like to donate. We would appreciate it if you would not drop off items without notice. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Thompson at 410-241-1509.



**EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**4901 Woodbine Road  
Sykesville, Maryland 21784  
(410)795-6136**

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

*April 5, 2026  
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM*

***Order of Worship  
for  
Easter Sunday***

**WELCOME**

*Welcome to Ebenezer United Methodist Church this Easter Morning! Christ the Lord is Risen today! Alleluia! Our hopes and dreams have come true. We do not have to fear death, for Christ goes before us. Praise be to God who has raised Christ from the dead and given to us new life!*

**PRELUDE** *"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"* *Pachelbells*  
**LIGHTING THE CANDLES**

**EASTER GREETING**

This is the day of the Lord's victory.

**Let us celebrate and rejoice!**  
Christ the Lord is Risen Today!  
**Alleluia! Amen!**

**\*OPENING HYMN** *"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"* UMH No. 302

**PRAYER**

**Gracious and Loving God, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead you conquered the power of death and opened for us the way to eternal life. Let our celebration today raise us up and renew our lives by the Spirit that is within us. We pray in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen**

FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES Acts 10:34-43

*In this lesson Peter realizes that the good news of the gospel is meant for all people, and he proclaims the crucified and risen Jesus.*

**HYMN** *"Up from the Grave He Arose"* UMH No. 322

FROM THE GOSPELS Mark 16:1-8

*The Gospel of Mark concludes with the discovery of the empty tomb and a young man who announces that Jesus is preceding his followers into Galilee, as he promised.*

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

**ANTHEM** *"Acclamation for Easter"* *Chancel Choir*

**SERMON** *"Rolling Stones!"* *Rev. Judy Emerson*

**HYMN** *"Victory in Jesus"* UMH No. 370

**EASTER PRAYER**

**Lord God, you loved this world so much that you gave your one and only Son for us. Lord, help us to live every day in the joy of Easter Sunday. May our hearts be filled with thanksgiving for your sacrifice. Give us eyes to look upon your grace and rejoice in our salvation. Help us to tell your good news to the world that our victory is in the Risen Christ for Christ our Lord is risen today! Alleluia! Amen!**

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

Offertory Anthem *"Rejoice He is Alive"* *Chancel Choir*  
\*Presentation of Gifts

\*Doxology *"Alleluia, Alleluia"* UMH No. 162

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.  
Come, let us praise the living God.  
Joyfully sing to our Savior.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**O God, with our gifts we hope to extend the good news of Easter beyond this community and this nation. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Congregational Response

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Congregational Response

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

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 is for Carroll County Food Sunday

Prayer after Communion

**Lord, you now have set your servants free to go in peace as you have promised. For these eyes of ours have seen the Savior whom you have prepared for all the world to see! Blessing and honor and glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

\*HYMN

*"He Lives"*

UMH No. 310

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE

*"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"*

*Pachelbells*

