

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: 5/3/26	\$7,562.50	146
WORSHIP LEADERS	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Liturgist	Sandy Wean	Deb Mathias
Ushers	Kenny & Sandy Wean	Scott & Sharon Lange
Acolyte	Kyle Flater	Abraya McGehrin
DATE	EVENT	TIME
TODAY	Children's Church	11:00 AM
Tuesday, May 12th	Adult Bible Study – with Rev. Rick Gray	9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
Wednesday, May 13th	Children's Choir Chancel Choir	6:30 PM – 7:15 PM 7:30 PM
Thursday, May 14th	Pachelbells	6:45 PM – 7:30 PM

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

May 10, 2026

CHILDREN'S CHURCH – TODAY and May 24th at 11:00 AM.

CLEAN-UP DAY – The Trustees are organizing a church clean-up day on June 27th from 8:00 AM – Noon. There is a list of tasks on the bulletin board that need to be completed. Please sign up if you can help.

NEW PICTORIAL DIRECTORY – Universal Church Directories will be here taking pictures on **June 29th & 30th** from 2:00 – 8:30 PM. We will need a few volunteers on both picture days to help sign people in. Please see Lori if you would like to volunteer on picture days. We will be having in-person sign-ups on May 24th & 31st before and after services. You may also sign up by scanning the QR code on the posters around the building, the bulletin inserts OR you can use the link to the website at www.ucdir.com. You must use the Church code: **md223** and the Password: **umc1**.

ORIOLES FAITH NIGHT - Thursday, July 9th. 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. The due date for signing up is **Sunday, May 31st**.

MANIDOKAN - July 12th to July 17th, 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.

VBS - July 20th - July 24th - 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.

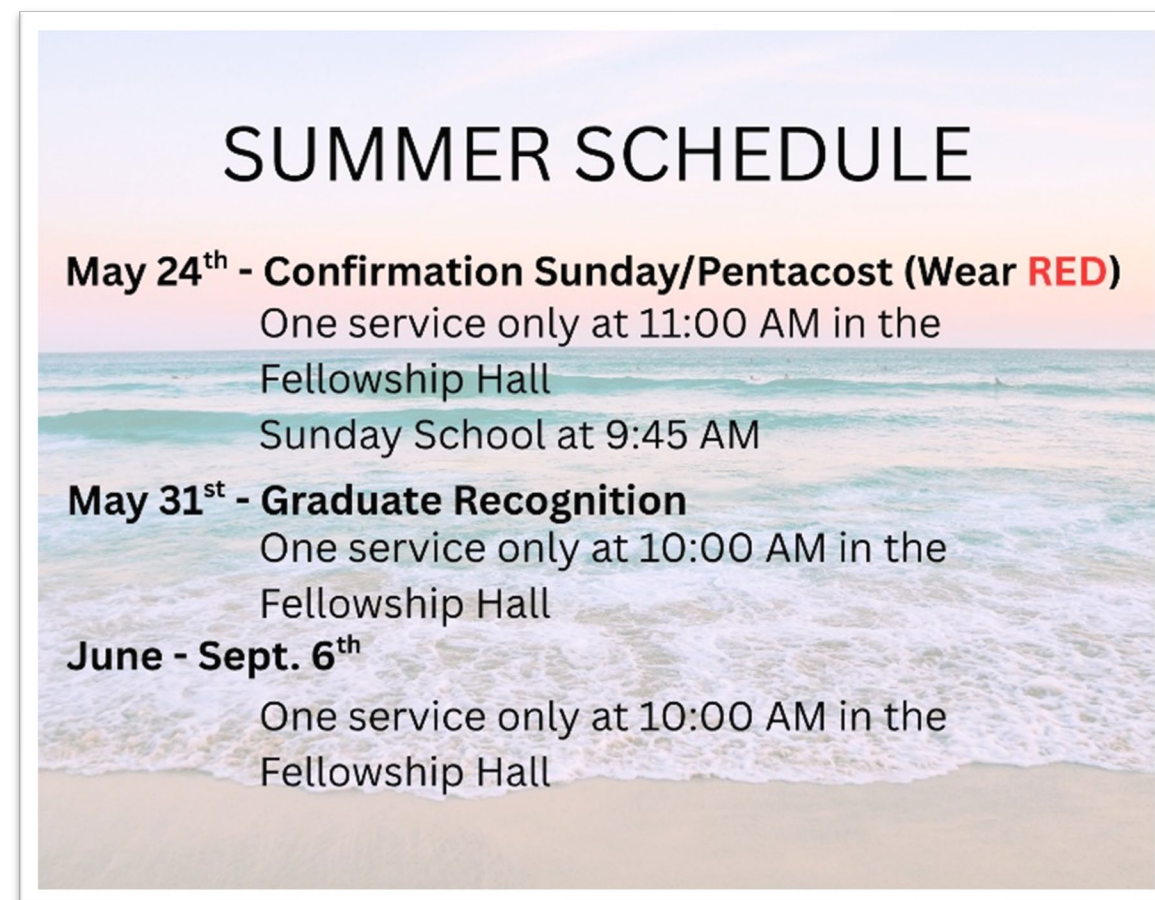
Are you willing to be part of our incredible volunteer team? Sign up as well! Lastly, if you are a parent of a child attending, or just an adult who wants to be part of the fun, Rev. Rick will again be sharing a bible study based on the same stories at the same time. Please sign up! *"I can do all things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

See our VBS Website - <https://www.myvbs.org/eumc2026>

SCHOLARSHIPS - The EUMC scholarship applications are available in the Narthex and on our website. The deadline to submit an application is **May 31st**. This scholarship is available to any active youth under age 23. Please place completed applications in Brenda Baker's office mailbox. Contact Brenda Baker at bdbaker01@comcast.net with any questions.

NEWSLETTER – Articles are due for the June/July/August newsletter on **Monday, May 18th**. Please send them into the office as soon as possible. Thank you!

GRADUATE SUNDAY – Please let the office know if you have a church member in your family graduating this year. We would love to recognize them on Sunday, May 31st at our 10:00 AM service, with a light reception to follow.



SUMMER SCHEDULE

May 24th - Confirmation Sunday/Pentacost (Wear RED)
One service only at 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall
Sunday School at 9:45 AM

May 31st - Graduate Recognition
One service only at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall

June - Sept. 6th
One service only at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day

May 10, 2026
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

Order of Worship

WELCOME

Welcome to Ebenezer United Methodist Church. Happy Mother's Day to every mom here today. We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us on this very special day as we recognize and appreciate mothers. As Isaiah 66:13 reminds us: "As a mother comforts her child, so will I comfort you." May this time of worship be a blessing to you.

PRELUDE

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

On this Mother's Day we gather with eager hearts.

We gather celebrating the gift of love.

We gather to give thanks to God for the blessing of those who have given us life.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Let all praise the Lord!

*OPENING HYMN

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

UMH No. 92

OPENING PRAYER

O God of great love, thank you for never leaving us alone. Thank you for bringing us to this time of worship. Hear our praise in celebration and thanksgiving for mothers who love, nurture and protect us. We bless our mothers this day, no matter what they have done or left undone. We do this because we believe in your healing, we believe in your love, we believe that you love us all. God of compassion, we give you thanks this day as we all stand in need of your grace. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 10:38-42

In this lesson Jesus lovingly affirms both sisters while gently reminding Martha that relationship with Him is the source of peace and purpose. The story teaches that discipleship requires both listening and serving.

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

UMH No. 147

SERMON

"Good or Best?"

Rev. Judy Emerson

HYMN

"The Gift of Love"

UMH No. 408

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

Anthem (11:00 AM)

*Presentation of Gifts

"Let Music Fill this Place"

Chancel Choir

*Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH No. 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

As we offer our hearts to you, O God, we pray they will be shared in ways that will pass on the promise of hope, of peace, of life and of community to all in need. May this offering be used to love in Jesus' name. Amen.

*HYMN

“My Life Is in You, Lord”

TFWS No. 2032

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*POSTLUDE