



**JESUS SAID,
 "THOSE WHO ARE WELL
 DO NOT NEED A PHYSICIAN,
 BUT THE SICK DO.
 GO AND LEARN
 THE MEANING OF THE WORDS,
 I DESIRE MERCY, NOT SACRIFICE.
 I DID NOT COME
 TO CALL THE RIGHTEOUS
 BUT SINNERS."**

Matthew 9:12-13



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SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

(June through August)
 Tues & Thurs 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
 Sunday 9:30 AM to Noon

DATE	OFFERING	ATTENDANCE
Last Week: 6/7/26	\$4,957.	110
WORSHIP LEADERS		10:00 AM
Liturgist	Susan Sager	
Ushers	Tony & Susan Sager	
Acolyte	Braelynn Blocher	
DATE	EVENT	TIME
TODAY	Krimgold Clean-Up	11:30 AM
Thursday, June 18 th	Holly Mart Craft Group	9:30 AM - Noon
Saturday, June 20 th	Food Pantry	9:00 - 11:00 AM
Saturday, June 27 th	Church Clean-Up Day	8:00 AM - Noon
Monday, June 29 th	Directory Pictures	2:00 - 8:30 PM
Tuesday, June 30 th	Directory Pictures	2:00 - 8:30 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.

NURSERY – Our nursery is always available during all worship services for children, birth through kindergarten.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 14, 2026

KRIMGOLD CLEAN-UP - TODAY, July 12th and August 9th. EUMC participates in Carroll County Recreation & Parks "Helping Hands Program" by collecting trash along trails, pavilions and parking lots. Please join our regular clean-up day at Krimgold Park. Our normal schedule is the second Sunday of the month, which can change because of events or weather. We meet directly after our late worship service at Krimgold's front parking lot (11:30ish during our summer schedule). Thank you to everyone who participated in a clean-up at Krimgold Park. If you have any questions, contact Chuck Wisner at 410 795-7395.

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 PM - 8:30 PM. You may sign up by scanning the QR code on the posters around the building OR you can use the link to the website at www.ucdir.com. You must use the Church code: **md223** and the Password: **umc1**.

MANIDOKAN - July 12th - July 17th, 2026. 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! Please register for all kids ages 3 years through entering 5th grade. Light dinner will be served nightly starting at 5:30 PM. Rev. Rick will also 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>

NEW MEMBERS GATHERING - Sunday, July 26th at 11:00 AM after Worship in Room #1 across from the kitchen. Anyone interested in becoming a member of Ebenezer UMC is invited to meet with Rev. Judy to learn more about our church. Please sign up at the back of the Fellowship Hall if you are planning to join us for this gathering.

KIDS BIBLE STUDY – P.R.A.Y. Series, *Out of the Water*, a Bible study for kids age 6-10 years old. Discover God's power, faith and love through amazing Bible stories. Please email Jeff Alderdice at AlderdiceJL@yahoo.com if you are interested in having your child participate. More information coming soon.

SUMMER FOOD PANTRY NEEDS - *The Rock of Help Food Pantry Needs List* is changing! This summer we are collecting pet food in easy-to-dispense packaging, adult incontinence products, and cleaning supplies. These are frequent requests of our clients. Thanks for your continued support.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - On June 16th, 23rd, 30th and July 7th, we will be working on the decorations for VBS from 9:00 AM until Noon. Classroom #5 is where the magic happens. If you are interested, please talk to Nancy Thompson at 410-241-1509.



EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

*June 14, 2026
10:00 AM*

***Third Sunday after Pentecost
Order of Worship***

WELCOME

PRELUDE

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

*HYMN

"Spirit Song"

UMH No. 347

OPENING PRAYER

O Lord, open my eyes that I may see the needs of others; open my ears that I may hear their cries; open my heart so I may comfort others. Show me where love and hope and faith are needed and use me to bring those who struggle to those places. Open my eyes and my ears that I may be able to do the work of peace for you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis 12:1-9

Abraham's call began with God speaking to him. We don't know exactly how this happened. Maybe, God spoke to him through a fiery bush, through a cloud, a blinding light, or a soft whisper. We don't know. But we do know that God made his will very clear to Abraham - he was to leave his country, his people, and his father's household and follow God's call.

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 9:1-13

In this text we hear how Jesus interacts with, eats with, and touches those who are regarded as unclean, untouchable, cast away. His life and love cure sickness, both spiritual and physical, of those who need healing. We then hear of how he calls Matthew, a tax collector, to follow him.

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

Thanks be to God.

HYMN

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

TFWS No. 2171

SERMON

"Moments of Realignment"

Rev. Judy Emerson

HYMN

"Freely, Freely"

UMH No. 389

THE 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

*Presentation of Gifts

*Doxology

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

UMH No. 160

**Praise God who reigns on high,
the Lord whom we adore,
the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
one God forever more.**

**Rejoice, Rejoice,
Rejoice, give thanks and sing!**

*Prayer of Dedication

God of love, you show compassion to those who call upon your name. Today, we seek Jesus’ healing touch, generous compassion, and mercy. We hear the call to follow. In response to this call, we offer ourselves, our resources and our commitment to follow where Jesus leads. We pray that this offering will draw us closer to you. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN

“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

UMH No. 344

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*POSTLUDE