

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP
Worship 8:30 AM
Sunday School 9:45 AM
Worship 11:00 AM

DATE	OFFERING	ATTENDANCE
Last Week: 10/18/26	$3,176.00	115
DATE	**EVENT**	**TIME**
TODAY	Pickles, Jams & Jellies Sale Fall Festival with Trunk or Treating	8:30 AM – 12:00 PM 5:00 PM
Tuesday, Oct. 27th	Adult Bible Study with Rev. Rick Gray Holly Mart Meeting	9:30 – 1100 AM 6:30 PM
Wednesday, Oct. 28th	Holly Mart Kitchen SPRC Meeting Joyful Noise Choir	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM 6:30 PM 6:30 – 7:15 PM
Thursday, Oct. 29th	Holly Mart Candy Makers Pachelbells	9:00 AM – 1:00 PM 6:45 – 7:30 PM
Wednesday, Nov. 4th	Girl Scouts Joyful Noise Choir Chancel Choir	6:30 – 7:45 PM 6:30 – 7:15 PM 7:30 PM
Thursday, Nov. 5th	Girl Scouts – Food Pantry Pachelbells	6:30 – 7:45 PM 6:45 – 7:30 PM

TODAY'S ACOLYTE (11:00 AM) – Braelynn Blocher

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
October 25, 2026

THANK YOU - Thank you to the children and youth who participated in our worship service this morning.

PICKLE, SALSA, JELLY SALE – Thank you for your support and help again this year. Hope you found things you could use for yourself or gifts for friends and family. Please join us between services again **TODAY** to finish up your gift shopping or something you forgot for yourself! Cash, checks and credit cards accepted. Thank you.

FALL FEST - TODAY! Please join us for a time of games, crafts, snacks and Trunk or Treating. Feel free to invite neighbors, friends and family from infants to 5th grade to join in the fun. Any youth, 6th grade or older, are welcome to help. If you are decorating a trunk, please have it ready by 5:30 PM. Any questions, contact Julie Jones at juliejones3@comcast.net or 410-404-1275.

HOLLY MART - Flyers are in the narthex. Please share them anywhere you can think of. Post around town!

CHEESEBALL DONATIONS REQUEST - This year we had the opportunity to buy bulk cream cheese and shredded cheese at a very reduced price. So in lieu of donating the cheeses, we are asking for monetary donations to offset the cost of the bulk cheeses. Any size donation is appreciated. Please make sure to mark your donations for "Holly Mart Cheeseballs" so they are directed correctly. Any questions, please contact Jennifer Wise.

HOLLY MART KITCHEN DONATIONS - Our annual Holly Mart is coming up soon! Any monetary donations to offset the rising costs of supplies would be greatly appreciated to help keep our food prices reasonable and affordable for everyone who visits the Holly Mart. There are also still spaces on the donation list of food items needed. Please mark all monetary donations "Holly Mart Kitchen" so they are assigned appropriately. Many thanks and blessings from The Holly Mart Kitchen Committee.

HOLLY MART SILENT AUCTION - If you have an item you'd like to donate to be part of the 2026 Holly Mart Silent Auction, please list it on the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Sample ideas include themed gift baskets (Pet Lover's, Family Game Night, Coffee Lover's, Bird Lover's, Chocolate Lover's, etc.), new gift items, tickets to a sporting event or theme park, gift certificates, custom-made items, services, etc. Thank you for your support towards the Silent Auction. Please contact Kim Cooper Murchie with any questions kacooper945@gmail.com.

FALL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS - For October, we are collecting peanut butter, hot tea and cocoa, and socks. Peanut butter is useful all year! As the weather turns, our friends will appreciate tea or cocoa and a pair of warm socks! Thanks for your support.

HOLLY MART - Will have a meeting this **Tuesday, October 27th** at 6:30 PM.

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA - Is on **Saturday, December 19th**. The ceremony begins promptly at **Noon**. Please pick up a flyer/order form from the counter in the Narthex. Donations need to be in by November 15th. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS/DONATIONS - It's that time of year already! Order your Christmas Poinsettias or place a donation in memory or in honor of your loved ones. The flowers will be displayed on the altar on Christmas Eve and donations and flowers given will be printed in the bulletin. There are order forms in the Narthex. Order forms and checks need to be in the office by **Sunday, November 22nd**. Any questions, please contact Lori Rapids. Thank you!

ALL SAINTS' DAY - All Saints' Sunday is an opportunity to give thanks to God for those who have gone before us in the faith. If you would like to bring a framed picture of loved ones who have passed away, we will place them around the sanctuary for worship. Please drop off framed pictures, with your name on the back, in the office by **Thursday, October 29th**. Thank you so much!

EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

Children's Sabbath Sunday
October 25, 2026
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

WELCOME

Thank you for joining us on this special Children's Sabbath Sunday. Children have a strong witness—so strong, in fact, that Jesus cautioned us to be like them so that we can see the kingdom of heaven. Children's Sabbath is a day set aside by churches all over the world for the purpose of affirming the children in our midst.

THE PRELUDE
LIGHTING THE CANDLES
*CALL TO WORSHIP

Children will work when others cannot.
I'm ready to work!
Children witness to the truth.
I'm ready to witness!
Children have been taught the gospel of Jesus Christ.
I'm ready to study!
Children will make God's message known and teach His saving grace to all.
I'm ready to teach!
We are all God's children, and we are called to share Jesus' message of truth.

*HYMN *"He Has Made Me Glad"* TFWS No. 2270

CHILDREN'S CHURCH (11:00 AM)

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious and loving God, we are your children. We give you thanks for family and friends, for this church and for our homes. We are thankful for the abundance of food, clothing and the things we have. Hear our prayers today for the many people in our world who have no home, have little to eat, and no place to lay their heads. Help us to make the world a safer and more loving place for all of your children. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PSALTER Psalm 100 UMH No. 821
Sung Response UMH #601

This text is a universal call to worship, inviting "all the earth" to join in praise. This inclusivity reflects God's desire for all people to know Him and experience His love.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet
and a light unto my path.

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 9:30-37

This passage is about Jesus teaching his disciples the principles of humility and servanthood, emphasizing that those who wish to be the greatest in the kingdom of God must be willing to be the servant of all.

HYMN *"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"* UMH No. 277

SERMON *"Make the Connection!"* *Rev. Judy Emerson*

HYMN *"Jesus Loves Me"* UMH No. 191

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Joys and Concerns
Presentation of Bibles to third grade class (11:00 AM) *Julie Jones*
Jenavieve Partridge
Wesley Will
Colton Higginbottom
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.

GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

Announcements
Offertory Anthem (11:00 AM) *"Come Christians, Join to Sing"* 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

God of justice and love, you entrust us to proclaim your Gospel in word and deed. Let these offerings symbolize our commitment to your call. May our time, talents, and treasures reflect the love of Christ in all that we do. In his holy name, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN *"This Little Light of Mine"* UMH No. 585

*BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

*POSTLUDE