

# Ebenezer United Methodist Church

June 23, 2024



*Ebenezer United Methodist Church is Stephen Ministry Congregation*



*The Flowers today are presented to the Glory of God and  
In Recognition of Zach's Birthday and to share  
our Thanks with his Ebenezer Family*

*Presented by the Trexler Family*

Participating in Service	
Pastor:	Rev. Mary H. Browne
Music Director:	Ms. Jen Willey
Worship Leader:	Michael Lynch
Media Team:	Bill Clark and Rich Johnson
Greeter:	Ann Varey
Usher Coordinators:	Don Grimes and Dick Graper

# FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*“But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion, and they woke him up and said to him, ‘Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?’ And waking up, he rebuked the wind and said to the sea, ‘Be silent! Be still! Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm.”*

*Mark 4:38-39*

June 23, 2024

10:00 a.m.

## GATHERING

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kindly sign our pew register and pass to your neighbor.  
If you are visiting with us today, please sign your name and USPS or e-mail address  
as we would like to acknowledge you being with us today.

### CENTERING MUSIC

“Variatio 3, XXIV”

Dietrich Buxtehude

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 9

Put your trust in God, who knows our names.

**The Holy One does not forsake those who seek God.**

Be gracious to us, Holy One.

**For you are the One who lifts us from the storm.**

We praise you in every time in space.

**We rejoice that your hand guides us.**

May the graciousness of God open our hearts.

**May peace bless and strengthen our weary hearts.**

We rest secure in the stillness of Christ.

**God’s wisdom will lead us this day and always.**

### \*PRAISE HYMN (UMH 176)

“Majesty, Worship His Majesty”

MAJESTY

### \*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**God of eternity, by the power of your Spirit, speak your Word to us this day,  
that hearing, we may know your truth and live ever more faithfully for you.**

**In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.**

### \*GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 4:35-41

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## A WORD FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

### MINISTRY OF MUSIC

“Sweet Hour of Prayer”

William Bradbury, arr. Victor Gumma

Laurel Wirtz and Beth Jackson

### MESSAGE

“Camp Firelight – Jesus Calms the Waters”

Rev. Mary Browne

*“Whenever I am afraid, I put my trust in you.” Psalm 56:3*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

We are invited, even urged, to open our hearts wide and to place no boundaries on our affection for God's people.

Let us then share generously our provisions with others.

OFFERTORY

"Gavotte in Rondo Form"

Jean Francois Dandrieu

\*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (*UMH* 87, vs. 4)

"What Gift Can We Bring"

ANNIVERSARY SONG

\*OFFERING PRAYER

**How grateful we are, O God, that you call us to serve with the Holy Spirit,  
who fills us with patience and generosity and genuine love.  
We pray that all we return to you will be used faithfully in ministry  
to the world.  
May these gifts usher peace into our world, that all may know of your love  
and the touch of your grace. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF SERVICE (TFWS 2212)

"My Life Flows On"

HOW CAN I KEEP FROM SINGING

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Go out to be Christ's hands and feet, and do not be afraid.

In every circumstance, trust in God who has great power to save and keep us.

May the God of all hope open your eyes.

May the God of all peace still your anxious mind.

May the God of all love fill your heart to fullness beyond measure.

Go now, in the hope and peace and love of God.

And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**Amen.**

GOING FORTH

"Melody"

Aram Khatchaturian

*Please remain seated until the GOING FORTH is concluded.*

Following the service, all are welcome to join in a time of fellowship and snacks at Social Hour in the Christian Life Center.

*\*please stand, in body or spirit*

**bold text indicates congregation response**

*UMH: The United Methodist Hymnal (red)*

*TFWS: The Faith We Sing (black)*

†This Order of Worship is subject to the direction of the Holy Spirit.††

Lectionary Scriptures for **Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**, June 30, 2024:

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

VBS CAMP FIRELIGHT SCRIPTURES FOR WORSHIP

June 30 – Acts 8:26-40

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Sunday School Classes at Ebenezer, classes start at 9:00am.*

Faith Class

Lounge

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*In Person Attendance for June 16<sup>th</sup> – 63.*

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### **200th Anniversary**

Helen Lynch and Michael Lynch /Co-chairmen 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Committee

**Our next meeting is**

**Today at 11:30am.**

Our Anniversary Sunday will be held on **October 27<sup>th</sup>** so please save that date! We are also requesting that you pre-register with the church office for the meal after service on the 27<sup>th</sup>. **Pre-registration** does **NOT** commit you to anything, we are just trying to get an estimate of the number of people attending.

Dear Volunteers,

We wanted to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude for all of your invaluable help during this weeks' Vacation Bible School, Camp Firefly. Your dedication and hard work have made a significant impact on the lives of our campers, and we are truly grateful for your commitment to this ministry.



Throughout the week, we've explored powerful stories that have taught us about trust, faith, and wisdom. From the inspiring journey of Ruth and Naomi to the remarkable wisdom of 12-year-old Jesus in the temple, our campers have learned to put their trust in God, as emphasized in our theme verse, Psalm 56:3 "When I am afraid, I put my trust in you."

Your efforts in leading activities, whether it was guiding the children through arts and crafts, engaging them in science experiments, or supervising outdoor games, have brought these stories to life. The hand-traced campfires, firefly catcher jars, and color-mixing experiments were not just fun but also meaningful ways for the children to connect with the lessons of faith and trust.

We also deeply appreciate your support for our VBS Mission Project, which aimed to support the campership fund at Camp Pecometh. Thanks to your enthusiasm and encouragement, our campers learned the joy of sharing their blessings, contributing to a cause that ensures no child misses out on the summer camp experience due to financial constraints.

Your willingness to volunteer your time and energy has made a lasting difference, not just in this week's success but also in the spiritual growth of every child who attended. You have truly embodied the spirit of service and love that we strive to teach our camper

Thank you once again for your incredible support and for being a vital part of our VBS family. We couldn't have done it without you, and we eagerly anticipate the possibility of working with you again in the future. Your continued involvement is invaluable to us.

Blessings,

Camp Firelight Coordinators



## *Our Prayers*

Angela + Sharon Bey ++++ <b>Lori Brown</b> Rev. Mary Browne Kay Kycler + Paul Lunetta + Mary + Phillip + Carol Pointon ++++ Rebarthak Brothers ++++	Roberts Family ++++ Kristen Robinson ++++ Louis Simmons ++ Steve + Bruce Wilhelm ++++	<u>Ongoing Concerns</u> Jade August Clara Brelsford Roy Brown Rick Browne Ron Case Judy Crescenzo Delia Irwin Jeanette Jarrell Kristin	Laird Logue Gary Pierce Denise Reedy Olivia Richart Louis Simmons Joyce Simpson Zach Trexler Alex Wiant
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In an effort to list all prayer requests each will appear for 4 weeks as indicated by the number of + after the name

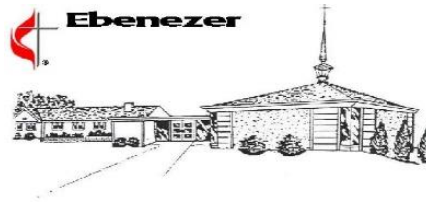
**Please pray for the family and friends of Melissa Walther.**

**Please pray for all Law Enforcement Officers.**

**Please continue to remember all who serve our country in the military,  
especially pray for those represented from our congregation.**

### *Missionaries We Support:*

Matt & Erin Reinders	(Unalaska UMC)	Joy & Robert Vargas	(Paraguay)
Catherine & Andy Kellogg	(Florida)	Jeanne Ntambo	(Congo)
Gaston Ntambo	(Congo)		



***On the Calendar, this week....***

Sun	06/23	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>	10:00am	Worship
			11:00am	Social Hour
			<b>11:30am</b>	<b>200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee – Room 204</b>
			1:00pm	Youth Group - CLC
Mon	06/24		10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
			7:00pm	NA Meeting – GHH
Tues	06/25		12:00pm	AA Meeting – Room 204
			6:00pm	Foxfire Homeowners - GHH
Wed	06/26		<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Hope Dining Room</b>
			10:00am	AA Meeting - Room 204
			10:00am	Special Music/Rehearsal
			<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Finance Committee – Room 204</b>
Thurs	06/27		6:30pm	Al-Anon – Room 204
			7:00pm	BSA50 – CLC
			7:00pm	NA Meeting– GHH
Friday	06/28		10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
			7:00pm	2 x 4 Square Dance - CLC
Sat	06/29		6:30pm	NA Meeting – GHH



## Looking forward...

Sun	06/30	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>	
		10:00am	Worship
		11:00am	Social Hour
Mon	07/01	10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		7:00pm	NA Meeting – GHH
Tues	07/02	12:00pm	AA Meeting – Room 204
		<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>COM – Room 204</b>
Wed	07/03	10:00am	AA Meeting - Room 204
		10:00am	Special Music/Rehearsal
Thurs	07/04	<b>4<sup>th</sup> of July / Church Closed</b>	
Friday	07/05	10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
Sat	07/06	6:30pm	NA Meeting – GHH

### STAY CONNECTED THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA!

**Website:** [www.EbenezerUMCNewark.org](http://www.EbenezerUMCNewark.org) and **Facebook:** [Ebenezer UMC Newark](#).

If you have information about an event which you would like featured on the website, please contact Lori Brown [loribrown927@msn.com](mailto:loribrown927@msn.com),



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