

Ebenezer United Methodist Church

April 21, 2019

*Ebenezer United Methodist Church is a
Stephen Ministry Congregation.*



Flowers today are presented to the Glory of God and
In Praise of Family
Presented by Aram and Theodora Terzian

In Loving Memory of our Parents,
Mr. & Mrs. Grier Good heart and
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Graper
Presented by Dick and Peggy Graper

Welcome Ministers:	8:30	Dave Rodeheaver and Joyce Simpson
	11:00	Tom and Judy Crescenzo
Greeters:	8:30	Sherri Hodgson and Ethel Horsey
	11:00	Sandy and Geoffrey Steggell
Ushers:	8:30	Curtis Reedy and Rick Guretsky
	11:00	John Humphreys and Don Grimes
Worship Leaders:	8:30	Ken Zinn
	11:00	Laird Logue
Acolyte:	8:30	Brianna Dempsey
	11:00	
Communion Servers	8:30	Kristin Moser, Margie Pankok, and Joe and Carolyn Mills
	11:00	Deb August, Linda Heller, and Dennis and Nancy Williams



EASTER

“...the men said to them,
*Why do you look for the living among the dead?
He is not here, but has risen.*” Luke 24:56

April 21, 2019

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

GATHERING

THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! *Christ* is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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WELCOME AND 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

“Easter Song”
Chancel Choir, Brass, Percussion

Herring/Hart

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

People of God, we are witnesses to these things:

that Christ died, hanging on a cross;

that God raised him from the dead on the third day;

that he is coming again in glory to reign.

This is the good news we tell to all the world:

Jesus Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

*PRAISE SONG (*UMH 302, vs. 1-4*)

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”
Choral Introduction; Choral Conclusion
Chancel Choir, Good Chimes, Brass, Percussion

EASTER HYMN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

Living God, by your Holy Spirit,

open our eyes to see the new light of this day;

open our lips to tell of the empty tomb;

open our hearts to believe the good news;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

This is the Word of the Lord.

Acts 10:34-43

Thanks be to God.

*SCRIPTURE SONG (*UMH* 308) "Thine Be the Glory" JUDAS MACCABEUS

*GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24:1-12
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Because He Lives (Amen)" Gaither/Rouse
Chancel Choir, Good Chimes, Brass, Percussion

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL TIME

MESSAGE "An Idle Tale?" Rev. Mary H. Browne

PRAYER SONG (*TFWS* 2258, vs. 1-4) "Sing Alleluia to the Lord" SING ALLELUIA

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER RESPONSE (*TFWS* 2258, vs. 5-6) "Sing Alleluia to the Lord" SING ALLELUIA

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM (11:00 a.m.)

Receiving the sacrament of Christian Baptism today is Alina Louise Oswald, daughter of Allison Terzian-Oswald & Davis Oswald.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

As we come to this table with the risen Jesus,
we are witnesses to the resurrection!
Let us forsake all that holds us back from this joy
as we offer our confession. Let us pray:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*in unison*)

**Merciful and loving God,
your love for us is unconditional,
yet our love for you, for others and for ourselves
is often marred.**

**We allow prejudice and pride to blind us;
our brokenness remains unhealed;
we cling to old stories and hurts
which impede the work of reconciliation.**

**Forgive us, we pray,
for failing to trust you,
for playing it safe instead of following
the daring call of your Spirit,
for withholding forgiveness and grace
from ourselves and others.**

Let your love renew us yet again.

**Let the same power that raised Jesus Christ from the dead
rekindle creative life within us
and restore right relations among us. Amen.**

Silent reflection

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (*responsive*)

Give thanks and sing,
for God's faithful love conquers the grave,
covers us with grace,
and raises us up with new life and new beginnings.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
Alleluia! Amen.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST (*responsive*)
See the peace of Christ in your brothers.
Be the peace of Christ for your sisters.
Share the peace of Christ with one another
as we celebrate the Prince of Peace this day.

The peace of Christ be with you. **The peace of Christ be with you always.**

OFFERING PRAYER (*in unison*)

God of joyful surprises,
with laughter in our hearts and songs on our lips,
may our lives reflect the glory of this day.
You offer abundance of life and fullness of grace
to all who turn to you and seek your blessing.
Receive our tithes and offerings in the name of your Son,
the source of our joy and strength,
that they may be for the world your Easter light and life. Amen.

OFFERTORY

"Redeemer"
Chancel Choir

Sorenson/Mullen

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD 100TH

Ralph Vaughan Williams setting
with brass & percussion

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Musical Setting (*TFWS* 2257-b, c, & d)

*THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

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 AND BLESSING THE CUP

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

*THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION (*responsive*)

**We praise you, O God, and give you thanks
that you have given us such joy, such grace, and such hope,
in the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Let our lives be proof of that good news.
Let all our words and actions, our love and service
bear witness to your resurrection power;
for the sake of our living Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

You are witnesses to the resurrection;
you are messengers of the gospel.
Go forth to tell the good news,
preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.

Light of the risen Christ, shine in one and all.
Love of the creating God, abide in one and all.
Joy of the healing Spirit, dance in one and all. **Amen.**

*SONG OF VICTORY (UMH 159) "Lift High the Cross"
Chancel Choir, Brass, Percussion

CRUCIFER

*SENDING FORTH "Highland Cathedral" James D. Wetherald

Assisting with the music

Cory Nunn	Trumpet
Michael Carr	Trumpet
Ian Kurlan	Percussion
Dan Despins	Bass

**please stand, as you are able*

*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 in preparation for the 2nd Sunday of Easter, April 28, 2019:
Psalm 150; Acts 5:27-32; Revelation 1:4-8; John 20:19-31

Our Prayers



In an effort to list all prayer requests each will appear for 4 weeks as indicated by the number of + after the name

<p>D.J. Bogert Connie Carly + Michael Fisher + Phil Gardner Norman Hyett + Kevin ++ Fran Lewis ++ Mabel Madden +++ Leonardo Notasco ++ Curtis Reedy +++ Tom Vati + Paul Walker ++ Bill & Doris Winkelman Xavier +++</p>		<p><u>Ongoing Concerns</u> Joshua August Leta Bachman Barbara Donald Bogert Mary Bowers Roy Brown Freida Crossan Ruth Dore Tom Fort, Jr Dot Godwin Kristin Howard & Louise Pierce Denise Reedy Haley Richart Zach Trexler Josh Vible Alex Wiant</p>
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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:

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| Matt & Erin Reinders | (Unalaska UMC) |
| Joy & Robert Vargas | (Paraguay) |
| Sue Givens | (Paraguay) |
| Jacquea Akasa Umembudi | (Congo) |
| Valentine Shutsha | (Congo) |
| Catherine & Andy Kellogg | (Florida) |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar Flowers: As many of you may know, altar flowers can be dedicated "in memory of" or "in honor of" a family member or friend on any Sunday of the year. The dedication appears in the Sunday bulletin of your chosen Sunday. If you wish to make an altar flower dedication (\$40/Sunday), please contact Carol in the church office at 731-9495. Thank you!

Adult Sunday School Classes at Ebenezer, classes start at 9:45am.

Faith Class	Lounge	"In the Dust of the Rabbi" by Ray Vander Laan
"F.I.S.H"	Room 204	"The New Testament You Never Knew"
The "Hill Toppers"	Room with a view	"A Life Well Lived: Discovering the Rewards of an Obedient Heart"

Confirmation Class! Please remember our Confirmation Class with your cards and notes. It means so much to them. No need to for postage, just bring them to church on Sundays. You can give them to Elaine Williams or leave them in the office or Education Mail Box. This year's confirmands are: **Jack Bowdoin: 6/13/05, Olivia Ormsby: 2/10/05 and Haden Helojoki: 8/19/05.** Thanking you ahead of time. Blessings!



Attention Graduates! If you or someone in your family is graduating from High School or College this spring please contact the church office and let us know the graduate's name, school graduating from and future plans. We will be honoring our graduates on Education Sunday.



Mark your calendar now for an out of this world



**Vacation Bible School adventure!
June 17 – 21, 2019**

Registration opens April 1.

Volunteers needed to help man the space station!

Contact Martha Helojoki at mlodge221@yahoo.com

Please save your frosting containers for a VBS craft. We will need about 100 of these by June. We also need of any old CD's that you may have for a project. The CD's will not be returned.

OPPORTUNITY TO LEND A HAND
Friday, April 26 8:50 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Rise Against Hunger (riseagainsthunger.org) is driven by a vision of a world without hunger. Their most popular and easily-accessible program is a meal-packing event at a local church, a fun, inter-generational event that results in 10,000+ meals being packed in a little over 2 hours.



We have an opportunity to go with folks from Skyline UMC to the RAH warehouse near the Philadelphia airport and help with current needs which could include loading trucks, prepping supplies for a meal-packing event, or labeling bags.

All ages and abilities will be able to participate.

We will gather in the Skyline parking lot to carpool to the RAH warehouse. Please let Pastor Mary know if you are interested in attending or have any questions.

2019 Easter Lilies
In Memory of:

J. Thomas Jarrell
Jessie Knowles
Dick Hodgson, My Husband
Katherine and George Skinner, My Parents
Harry Moser, Jr.
Loved Ones
Fred M. Weaver
Flossie C. Shoop
Aunt Anna May Kress
Norris and Olive Greenplate and
Burton and Helen Ward
Milmo and Alvin Laman
My Husband, Gerry Lucht
Samuel and Irma Slemons and
Kenneth Hurley
My Parents, Robert and Clive Mercer
Our Parents, Mary and Allan Vines
and Grace and Harry Pankok
Peggy Feldmann
Donald Bowers
In Loving Memory of my Husband, Bill Irwin

Donations and Dedications
In Honor of:

Mother

Given by:

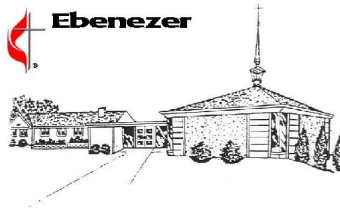
Doris Jarrell
Becky Knowles
Sherri Hodgson
Kristin Moser
Phil and Shirley Gardner
Ben and Shirley Shoop
Barbara Reed & Family
Suellen and Gary Ward and Family
Pamela Reed
Barbara Lucht
Marty and Diane Bienkowski
Ann Varey
Carl and Margie Pankok
Margie Pankok
Mary Bowers
Delia Irwin

My Husband Jay and Loved Ones Jay and Sarah Thomas	Zelda Thomas
Thomas S. and Doris H. Lodge and Eve Lodge Helojoki	The Helojoki Family
Melvin Dempsey	Brian, Cindy and Brianna Dempsey
	Peggy Dempsey
David W. Just and Loved Ones	Bill and Barbara Just
Gladys La Fontain Gerald and Marion Lynch Chad and Karla Stephenson	Howard and Louise Pierce
	Michael and Helen Lynch
Harold and Lucille Dexter Tom Crescenzo, Jr.	Tom and Judy Crescenzo His Family
Our Parents: Robert and Catherine Irving and Len and Mary Guretsky	Rick and Donna Guretsky
Harold and Marian Hagemann, Ralph and Jackie Julian and Ray and Jay Browne	Rick and Rev. Mary H. Browne
Dr. and Mrs. Wilford Zimmerschied and Linda Wolfe	Linda Heller
Mr. & Mrs. William Broelmann, Jr. Mr. & Mrs. John Recuperero Mr. & Mrs. D'Eramo	Mr. & Mrs. William L. Broelmann III Mr. & Mrs. William J. Broelmann
Marvin and Doris Pruden and Marion and Louisa Williams	Don and Brooksie Pruden
Loved Ones	Mr. and Mrs. Mark L. Miller, Sr., Marybeth Miller, Elyse, Wright and Mark Miller, Jr.

2019 Donations to Homeless Families in lieu of Lilies

In Memory of:	In Honor of:	Given by:
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<p>My parents, Nora and Robert Mays and loved ones</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Our Daughter, Pam Connelly</p> <p>In Loving Memory of my Parents</p> <p>Our Grandparents</p> <p>David W. Just and Loved Ones</p> <p>Our Loved Ones</p> <p>My Husband, Tom Short</p>	<p>Marlene Tribbitt</p> <p>Don & Peg Connelly</p> <p>Delia Irwin</p> <p>Paul and Beth Manchester</p> <p>Bill and Barbara Just</p> <p>Doug and Kathy Gibney</p> <p>Mary Short</p>
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On the Calendar, this week....

Sun	04/21	Easter Sunday
	6:30am	Sunrise Service
	8:00am	Easter Breakfast -- CLC
	8:30am	Worship Service
	9:45am	Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship Service
Mon	04/22	Preschool & Church Closed
	5:30pm	Slim Sculpt Class -- CLC
	7:00pm	Missions Team -- Room 204
	7:15pm	2x4 Square Dance Classes -- CLC
Tues	04/23	11:30am AA Meeting -- Room 204
	6:00pm	Pound Auction -- CLC
	6:30pm	Foxfire Home Owners Association -- GHH
Wed	04/24	10:00am Hope Dining Room
	10:00am	AA Meeting -- Room 204
	11:00am	Intercessory Prayer -- Pastor's Office
	12:30pm	Daybreak Counseling -- Lounge
	5:30pm	Slim Sculpt Class-- CLC
	6:00pm	Soccer Shots -- Ball Field
	7:00pm	Good Chimes -- Music Room
	7:15pm	2x4 Square Dance Class -- CLC
	7:30pm	Al Anon -- Room 204
Thurs	04/25	9:45am TLC -- CLC
	11:00pm	Visual Arts
	6:00pm	BSA50 -- CLC
	6:45pm	NA -- GHH & Old Kitchen
	7:30pm	Chancel Choir -- Sanctuary & Music Room
Fri	04/26	8:30am Daybreak Counseling -- Lounge
	12:30pm	Grief Share -- Room 204
	8:00pm	2 x 4 Square Dancing -- CLC
Sat	04/27	10:00am Funeral Service -- Stuart Roberts, Sr.-- Sanctuary & CLC
	9:30pm	NA Meeting -- GHH & Old Kitchen

Looking Ahead!

Sun	04/28		2nd Sunday of Easter
		8:30am	Worship Service
		9:45am	Sunday School
		11:00am	Worship Service
		3:00pm	G3 -- CLC, Youth Room & GHH
		3:00pm	Millcroft Ministries
Mon	04/29	12:30pm	Staff Meeting -- Workroom
		5:30pm	Slim Sculpt Class -- CLC
		5:45pm	GS Troop 672 -- GHH
		7:15pm	2x4 Square Dance Classes -- CLC
Tues	04/30	9:55am	Bible Study Group -- Room 204
		11:30am	AA Meeting -- Room 204
		7:00pm	2x4 Square Dance Board -- CLC
		7:00pm	Admin. Board -- Room 204
Wed	05/01	10:00am	AA Meeting -- Room 204
		11:00am	Intercessory Prayer -- Pastor's Office
		5:30pm	Slim Sculpt Class-- CLC
		7:00pm	Good Chimes -- Music Room
		7:15pm	2x4 Square Dance Class -- CLC
		7:30pm	Al Anon -- Room 204
Thurs	05/02	9:15am	BSFT/Luncheon -- GHH
		9:45am	TLC -- CLC
		11:00pm	Visual Arts
		6:00pm	BSA50 -- CLC
		6:30pm	Health & Wellness -- Room 204
		6:30pm	Preschool Board -- Library
		6:45pm	NA -- GHH & Old Kitchen
		7:30pm	Chancel Choir -- Sanctuary & Music Room
Fri	05/03	8:30am	Daybreak Counseling -- Lounge
		12:30pm	Grief Share -- Room 204
		8:00pm	2 x 4 Square Dancing -- CLC
Sat	05/04	9:30pm	NA Meeting -- GHH & Old Kitchen



STAY CONNECTED THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA!

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If you have information about an event which you would like featured on the website, please contact Lori Brown loribrown927@msn.com, or Rick Browne at rbrowne646@gmail.com.



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