July 19, 2026

Ebenezer United Methodist Church

STEPHEN MINISTRY

The Flowers today are presented to
the Glory of God and

In Loving Memory of
Jack Steggell and Geoffrey's Grandparents, Jack and Mabel Fulton
and Victoria "Bo" Fulton and Chip Fulton
Presented by Geoffrey and Family

In Loving Memory of Jonathan L. Wood
Presented by His Forever Wife

Participating in Service:

Pastor:	Rev. Tracy Mooney
Guest Musician:	David Heinze
Worship Leader:	Connie Miller
Media Team:	Bill Clark
Greeter:	Kathy Gibney
Usher Coordinators:	Don Grimes, John Dennis and Dick Graper

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 12, 2026 10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

ANNOUCEMENTS

Kindly sign our pew registers 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 " Variations on St. Anne" Croft/Smith

*CALL TO WORSHIP

If we take the wings of the morning, God soars with us.

If we go to the farthest limits of the sea, God sails with us there.

If we journey to the highest heaven, God travels with us.

If we sink into the deepest darkness, God lights our way.

Come! Let us take the wings of the morning and learn to fly with the One who is the wind beneath our wings.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE (*UMH* 418) "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder"
trad. African American spiritual

*PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Great explorer, you have searched us and known us and are acquainted with all our ways; you hem us in, behind and before, and discern our thoughts from afar; you know when we sit down and when we rise up; you are closer to us than our very breath. Such knowledge is too wonderful for us, it is so high we cannot attain it. If we take the wings of the morning, and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead us, and your might shall hold us fast. Search us, O God, in this time of worship and test the measure of our hearts. Breathe your Spirit within us, and claim us as children of light, that everyone we meet might be blessed through the gift of your Spirit. **Amen.**

*GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

A WORD FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

MUSIC MINISTRY " You Are Mine" David Haas
Sharon Keeler, Soloist

MESSAGE Rev. Tracy Mooney

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

Our gifts today are an act of worship. May our offering make God's name known in places where you are needed.

OFFERTORY (*UMH* 117) " O God, Our Help in Ages Past" Watts/Croft

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (UMH #94) "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
Ken

*OFFERING PRAYER

God of dreams and visions, open our eyes to see your angels ascending to heaven and descending to earth as they bring your manifold blessings; open our hearts to offer you our thanks and praise as we pour out the oil of gladness in honor and witness of your presence among us. May the gifts we bring this day be signs of our gratitude for your love and our commitment to be a blessing to all the peoples of earth. **Amen.**

*HYMN OF SERVICE (*UMH* 404) "Every Time I Feel the Spirit"
traditional African American spiritual

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

God of dreams and visions, open our eyes to see your angels ascending to heaven and descending to earth as they bring your manifold blessings; open our hearts to offer you our thanks and praise as we pour out the oil of gladness in honor and witness of your presence among us. May the gifts we bring this day be signs of our gratitude for your love and our commitment to be a blessing to all the peoples of earth. **Amen.**

GOING FORTH "From Suite Breve, IV. Dialogue Sur Les Mixtures" Jean Kanglais

**Please stand, as you are able*
bold text indicates congregation response

††This Order of Worship is subject to the direction of the Holy Spirit. ††
Following the service, all are welcome to join in a time of fellowship in the Christian Life Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Faith Class Lounge "More To Your Story, Discover Your Place in God's Plan" Max Lucado

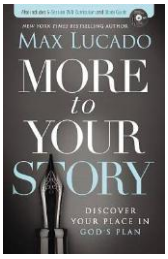
In Person Attendance for July 12th – 141.

Pecans

New crop pecans are available for sale!
$16 Mammoth Pecan Halves

See Carol in the Church office or contact Diana Bienkowski
dianab6@verizon.net 302-463-1653

Payment by check to Ebenezer United Methodist Women or correct cash amount would be appreciated. Thank you for supporting the United Methodist Women!



The Faith Adult Sunday School class meets in the lounge at 9:00am. We will begin a new study on July 12th, "More To Your Story, Discover Your Place in God's Plan" by Max Lucado. It is a video-based series of lessons. If you are interested in joining our class, please contact Diane Clark at 302-239-6835. All are Welcome!

FALL CLEANUP

Our Trustees have scheduled an outside church wide cleanup for Saturday, September 26th, starting at 9:00am. Please consider joining them, they would very much appreciate any assistance.

Our Prayers

Jerry Avery +++ Erica & daughters + **Megan Jones**	Jerry Spilecki ++ **Michael** Bob Vible +++ **Reed Williams**	<u>Ongoing Concerns</u> Deb August Rick Browne Judy Crescenzo Delia Irwin Helen Lynch Ginny Parker	Gary Pierce Denise Reedy Paul Roberts Joyce Simpson Zach Trexler Alex Wiant

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 all Law Enforcement Officers.
Please remember all who serve our country in the military,
especially pray for those represented by our congregation.

Missionaries We Support:

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

We are in desperate need of volunteers to join our Trustees. Have you watched the tutorials on YouTube, seen the fails, and most importantly, know when to put the duct tape down. If it needs it assembled, mounted, painted, or patched, can we count on you? Please call the church office if you would like to volunteer.

Africa Missions Trip 2027

Happy Life Orphanage, Nairobi, Kenya

Brianna's going on a missions trip!

Thank you for your support and prayers!

March 25 – April 5, 2027

Read about the incredible mission of Happy Life at www.happylifemission.org.

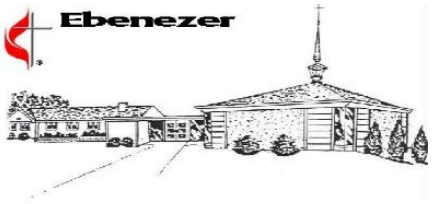
The mission was founded by Pastor Jim Powell, a former WCS Bible teacher.

In the past 20+ years, hundreds of discarded babies have been provided with loving homes at Juja Farm, where they receive Christian education, vocational training, and eventually a high school degree.

How much does it cost?

Students have until May 26 to apply for the trip. Once accepted, we will notify them and a $125 non-refundable deposit will be due by Monday, June 1, 2026. The total cost will be $2,950, but we will help students with fundraising by providing letters, sharing a link for online donors, and

Here's the online link and gifts are 100% tax deductible: https://secure.qgiv.com/for/2026kenyamissionstrip/



On the Calendar, this week….

Sun	07/19		***8th Sunday after Pentecost***
		8:00am	AA Meeting - GHH
		10:00am	**Worship Service**
		11:00am	Social Hour – CLC
Mon	07/20	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		6:00pm	Cub Scouts Den Meeting – Confirmation Room
		7:00pm	Eagle Scout Boards – Room 204,211 & Workroom
		7:00pm	NA Meeting – Room GHH
Tues	07/21	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		12:00pm	AA Meeting – Room – 204
		6:00pm	Support Group – Classroom
		6:30pm	Cub Scouts - CLC
Wed	07/22	7:30am	AA Meeting – GHH
		10:00am	AA Meeting - Room 204
		10:00am	**Hope Dining Room**
Thurs	07/23	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		12:00pm	ACOA – Room 204
		7:00pm	BSA50 – CLC & Room 211
		7:00pm	NA - GHH
Friday	07/24	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		7:00pm	2 X 4 Dance - CLC
Sat	07/25	6:30pm	NA Meeting - GHH

Looking forward ....

Sun	07/26		***9th Sunday after Pentecost***
		10:00am	**Worship Service**
		11:00am	Social Hour – CLC
Mon	07/27	10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		6:00pm	Cub Scouts Den Meeting – Confirmation Room
		7:00pm	NA Meeting – Room GHH
Tues	07/28	12:00pm	AA Meeting – Room – 204
		6:00pm	Support Group – Classroom
Wed	07/29	7:30am	AA Meeting – GHH
		10:00am	AA Meeting - Room 204
Thurs	07/30	12:00pm	ACOA – Room 204
		7:00pm	BSA50 – CLC & Room 211
		7:00pm	NA - GHH
Friday	07/31	10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
Sat	08/01	6:30pm	NA Meeting - GHH

STAY CONNECTED THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA!

Website: 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 at loribrown927@msn.com

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