Ebenezer United Methodist Church

July 3, 2022



Ebenezer United Methodist Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation STEPHEN MINISTRY.

The Flowers today are presented to the Glory of God and

In Honor of our daughter Elizabeth on her 40th Birthday

Presented by Aram and Teddy Terizan

Participating in Service

Pastor: Rev. Mary H. Browne

Director of Music: Mr. F. Robert Rudolph

Worship Leader: Stacey Gates

Media Team: Richard Browne, Bill Clark, Reed Williams

Greeter: Sherri Hodgson

Ushers: Don Grimes and Don Pruden

Song Leader: Ruthie Toole

Communion Servers: Sherri Hodgson and Donna Dennis

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

"The LORD is faithful in all his words and gracious in all his deeds.

The LORD upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season.

You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

The LORD is just in all his ways and kind in all his doings.

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth."

Psalm 145:136-18

July 3, 2022 10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kindly sign the friendship pad 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 your presence.

CENTERING MUSIC

"Praeludium"

Gordon Young

*CALL TO WORSHIP

A gift of a new day,

Unlived, untried, ready to be opened.

A new day with surprising miracles;

With love to be given,

Kindness to be shared

And peace to be enjoyed.

A gift of a new day,

God's gift to us.

Let us receive it with joy

And live it in expectation.

*PRAISE HYMN (*UMH* 437)

"This Is My Song"

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*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Your Word, O LORD, is our inspiration, our light, and our motion.
Your Word, O LORD, is power, is wisdom, and is comfort.
Guide us today, as we listen to the Word read and proclaimed, and fill us with understanding and with the desire to change.
Speak LORD! Your people listen! Amen.

*GOSPEL LESSON John 6:1-13

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

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

MESSAGE "On a Roll with God: Unexpected Jesus" Rev. Mary Browne

RESPONSE TO THE WORD "Beyond Bethsaida's Borders" Julia H. Johnston

ST. THEODULPH (UMH 280)

Beyond Bethsaida's borders, the weary Savior went, To rest with His disciples, before the day was spent; But eager people hastened, the Son of Man to seek; The poor and heavy laden desired to hear Him speak.

With patient love He taught them, 'til shadows fell apace, But all the people hungered in that far desert place. His heart with pity melted; how many loaves have ye? He said to the disciples, and bade them go and see.

A little lad among them, his loaves and fishes spared; But Jesus blessed and brake them, and all the bounty shared. With only this provision, which Jesus blessed and brake, They fed the hungry thousands, that day, beside the lake.

Then bring your all to Jesus, however poor and small; Come, hasten now to bring it, the little lads and all. 'Tis not the gifts we offer, that help the world today, But Jesus' blessing on them, that sends them on their way.

RECOGNITION AND HONORING OF AMERICA'S 246th BIRTHDAY

On July 4, 1776, our founding fathers bravely advanced the cause of freedom and liberty by declaring this nation's independence and sovereignty from rule by another nation, and that all her citizens possessed the unalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness given by our Creator.

It is appropriate therefore as we celebrate our nation's 246th birthday that we give thanks to our Triune God for our liberties and pray for continued blessings upon our country, our government, and our fellow citizens.

The earth is the Lord's.

And all who dwell in it.

God is sovereign over the nations.

God sits on God's holy throne.

God rules by God's might forever.

God's eyes keep watch on the nations.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for God judges the peoples with equity and guides the nations upon earth.

O Lord, be gracious to us and bless us, and make your face to shine upon us.

May your ways upon the earth, your saving power among all peoples.

PASTORAL PRAYER FOR OUR NATION

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"God Bless America" Ruthie Toole, vocalist

Irving Berlin

God bless America, land that I love Stand beside her and guide her Through the night with the light from above

From the mountains to the prairies

To the oceans white with foam

God bless America, my home sweet home

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

God has given us healing, word, forgiveness. God has given us so much! Let us now take the time to respond in gratitude, by giving of what has been given to us.

OFFERTORY HYM (UMH 186, v. 1, 2)

"Alleluia"

ALLELUIA

*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (UMH 95)

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
OLD 100TH

*OFFERING PRAYER

God of wisdom and all good gifts:

We bring our tithes and offerings to your altar, remembering that, like Abraham, you have blessed us to be a blessing to others.

Remind us this morning that the gift of freedom that comes to Christ is also a gift not to be kept but to be shared.

Even as the world asserts that freedom is a ticket to "go our own way," you made us free to be part of Christ's body in the world, connected and interdependent.

May the way we live and the way we give reflect that kind of freedom. In Christ's blessed name, we pray. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Christ our LORD calls to his Table:

all who hurt and are beaten down by the stresses of life;

all who love him and earnestly seek to live in peace with one another;

all who repent of their sin and long to follow the call of discipleship.

Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another:

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Source of all that gives us life, we have turned away from your sovereignty to our own small concerns.

Forgive us for our failure to bear one another's burdens, for boasting of anything but your cross, for believing in our own power to justify our lives, and for denying your call to take comfort in you alone.

Lead us to the river of life that in all we do, we may honor your name. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Peace! Peace is what you receive from God when you know that your sins are forgiven. Peace is what you have when you know that the destruction of sin cannot harm you, because you are not alone in your journey of life.

Therefore, peace, my beloved!

In Jesus we have received forgiveness, and we have been restored! Thanks be to God.

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Sung Responses: Setting D, UMH 23-24

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.

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP COMMUNION HYMN (UMH 640) "Take Our Bread"

TAKE OUR BREAD

Please join in singing as you wait in the pew and in line to receive Communion, and rejoin in singing as you return to your seat.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes all that is good, we praise you for your mercies, for your goodness that has created us, your grace that has sustained us, your discipline that has corrected us, your patience that has borne with us, and your love that has redeemed us. Help us to love you, and to be thankful for all your gifts by serving you and delighting to do your will, through Jesus Christ our LORD to whom be all honor and dominion and glory, now and forevermore. Amen.

*DISCIPLESHIP HYMN (UMH 158) "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" SPANISH HYMN

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

The feeding of the 5,000 grew out of Jesus' tremendous compassion for the crowd. Let us go into the world, committed to live that compassion. We have a story to tell; it is the story of God's grace.

We have a meal to share; it is the nourishment of God's shalom.

Live that story, and share that shalom, in all that you say and do.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and always. Sung Amen (UMH 897)

GOING FORTH "Allemande" Gordon Young

You are invited to remain seated until the GOING FORTH is concluded

All are welcome to a time of fellowship and refreshment at Social Hour in the Christian Life Center.

*please stand, as you are able 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 the **Fifth Sunday After Pentecost**, July 10, 2022: Amos 7:7-17; Psalm 82; Colossians 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

Scripture focus for Worship service, July 10, 2022: John 21:1-17

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Person Attendance for June 26 - 48



As we will celebrate Holy Communion, the offering plates at the front of the center aisle are there to receive your gift to the pastor's discretionary account used to help members of our community with utility, rent, food, and other appropriate expense assistance.

Blood Pressure Checks are available in the CLC.

Jelly Jars needed for VBS

The VBS team needs as many clean (empty) **glass** jars **WITH lids** as we can get for our glitter globe craft project. The jars should be roughly 8 - 12 ounces (think jelly jar-size — baby food jars

are too small and large spaghetti sauce jars will be too big). If you're not sure about the size, bring it anyway and we'll recycle what we can't use.

We'll need them by July 1, so we know how many we have available and whether we need to make other arrangements.



Our Prayers



Shirley Austin	Sarah	Ongoing Concerns	Ken Johnson
Harry Bogert	Evelyn Stehman +	Jade August	Kristin
Shirley Gardner ++++	Joan Wiant +++	Barbara	Gary Pierce
Elaine Hoffman +		Clara Brelsford	Robert Pierce
Jayden ++		Roy Brown	Denise Reedy
Moonyeen Klopfenstein +++		Ron Case	Olivia Richart
		Marge Clark	Louis Simmons
		Judy Crescenzo	Zach Trexler
		Lois Hall	Josh Vible
		Doris Jarrell	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 continue to remember all who serve our country in the military, especially pray for those represented from our congregation.

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 loribrown927@msn.com, or Rick Browne at rbrowne646@gmail.com.



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On the Calendar, this week....

Sun	7/03	4 th Sunday after Pentecost			
		10:00am V	Vorship		
		3:00pm Y	outh Group – CLC		
		5:30pm E	3SA50 - Room 204		
Mon	7/04	Happy Fou	Happy Fourth of July		
		10:00am <i>A</i>	A Meeting – Room 204		
		7:00pm N	IA Meeting – GHH		
Tues	7/05	10:00am Y	'oga Class – CLC		
		11:30am S	Social Seniors - GHH		
		12:00pm <i>A</i>	A Meeting - Room 204		
		7:00pm C	COM – Room 204		
Wed	7/06	10:00am <i>A</i>	A Meeting – Room 204		
		11:00am F	arkinson's Class - CLC		
		6:30pm L	adies NA – Room 109 & 111		
Thurs	7/07	6:00pm E	3SA50 - CLC		
		7:00pm N	IA – GHH & Old Kitchen		
Friday	7/08	10:00am <i>A</i>	A Meeting – Room 204		
Sat	7/09	6:30pm N	IA Meeting – GHH & Old Kitchen		

Looking forward

Sun 7/10 5 th Sunday after Pentecost				
		VBS Week		
		10:00am Worship		
		3:00pm Youth Group - CLC		
		5:30pm BSA50 – Room 204		
Mon	7/11	10:00am AA Meeting – Room 204		
		7:00pm NA Meeting – Room 204		
Tues	7/12	12:00pm AA Meeting - Room 204		
		7:00pm Trustees – Room 204		
		7:00pm Endowment Committee – Room 211		
Wed	7/13	10:00am AA Meeting – Room 204		
		6:30pm Ladies NA – Room 204		
Thurs	7/14	7:00pm NA – Room 204		
Friday	7/15	10:00am AA Meeting – Room 204		
Sat	7/16	6:30pm NA Meeting – GHH & Old Kitchen		