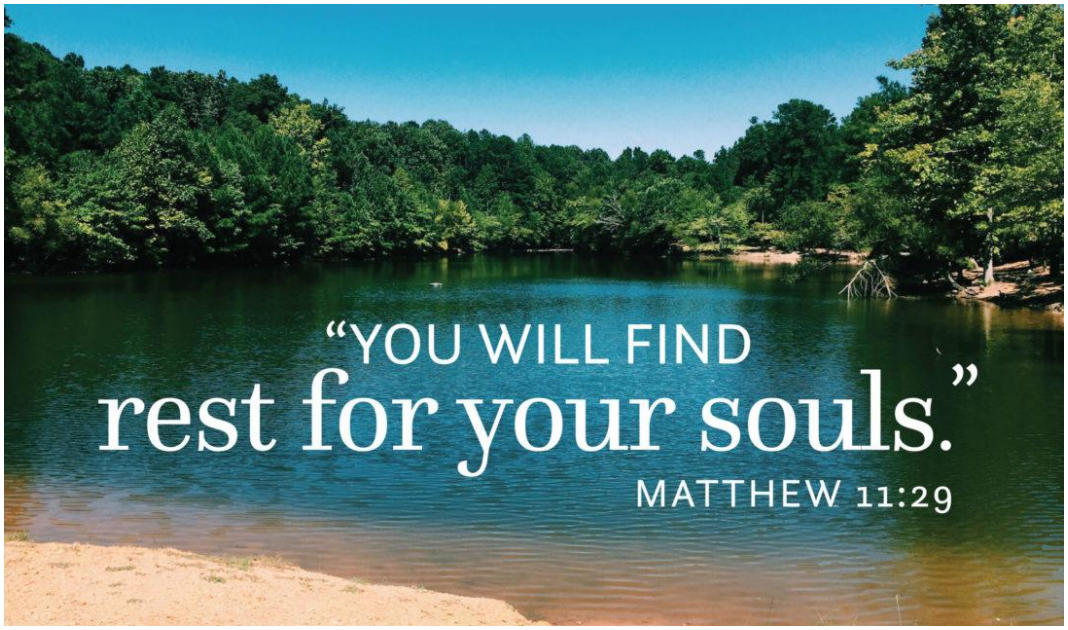
July 5, 2026

Ebenezer United Methodist Church



Ebenezer United Methodist Church is a Stephen Ministry Congregation

The Flowers today are presented to
the Glory of God and

In Loving Memory of John Hackenberry on his Birthday

Presented by Ann Varey

Participating in Service:

Pastor:	Rev. Tracy Mooney
Guest Musician:	David Heinze
Worship Leader:	Calvin Keeler, Jr.
Media Team:	Bill Clark
Greeter:	Sherri Hodgson
Usher Coordinators:	Don Grimes, John Dennis and Dick Graper
Communion Servers:	Donna Dennis and Susan Durbin

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 5, 2026 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 "Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer" White/Wood

AN ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION OF AN APPOINTMENT

Calvin Keeler, Jr., Lay Leader:
Dear friends, today we welcome Rev. Tracy Mooney,
who has been appointed to serve as our pastor.
She has been appointed by our Bishop, La Trelle Easterling.

Pastor Tracy, you have been sent to lead us
as a bearer of the Word of God;
a minister of the Sacraments;
and a sustainer of the love, order, and discipleship of the people of God.

Pastor Tracy:
Today I reaffirm this commitment in the presence of this congregation.

Calvin Keeler, Jr, Lay Leader:
Brothers and sisters in Christ,
as a people committed to participate in the ministries of the Church
by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness,
will you who celebrate this new beginning
support and uphold Pastor Tracy in these ministries?

Congregation:
We reaffirm our commitment to support you
with our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

Calvin Keeler, Jr, Lay Leader:
How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger

Congregation: **who announces peace, who brings good news,**
who announces salvation.

Calvin Keeler, Jr, Lay Leader: Let us pray:

All:
Eternal God, strengthen and sustain us in our ministries together,
with Rev. Tracy Mooney as our pastor.

Give her and us patience, courage, and wisdom
so to care for one another and challenge one another
that together we may follow Jesus Christ,
living together in love,
and offering our gifts and talents in your service;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN OF RESPONCE (*UMH* 140) "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Chisholm/Runyan

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Holy, generous source of all abundance, when Abraham's servant came to the spring, thirsty and covered with dust from the trail, Rebekah offered him more than he asked for, giving water to his camels, also. Today, we come to this place, looking for rest, thirsty for the waters of life. Fill our dry, dusty hearts, until they overflow into the world around us like rivers of joy and peace. Amen.

*GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

A WORD FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

MUSIC MINISTRY "It's Amazing" Heinze/Tompkins

MESSAGE Rev. Tracy Mooney

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING
Let us bring our gifts and offerings to the One who offers us rest.

OFFERTORY (*UMH* 340) "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" Hart/Southern Harmony

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

*OFFERING PRAYER
Holy, generous Giver of all that is good, add our small gifts to the ever flowing spring of your love.
Use them to satisfy the thirst of a world yearning for your waters of life. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Lord, we come before you this day confessing that
we don't understand our own actions.
The very things we want to do, we don't do.
Too often, we find ourselves doing the very things we hate.
The harmful behaviors we tried to put down, we keep picking back up,
and our soul is hurting.
The chance we had to fix that broken relationship came, but anger and rage
rose up again, inflicting harm and abuse upon the very people we said we loved.

The opportunities we have been praying for came, but fear, lack of confidence,
and low self-esteem drove them away.
Lord, the good we want to do, we don't do; and the evil we hate doing,
we just keep doing.
Lord, what messed-up souls we are. We need you now, Lord, this day.
Thank you, God, for Jesus Christ, our Lord.
When we find it difficult to do the right thing, we will place our trust in you.
We are convinced that we can do all things through Christ who gives us strength.
Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 AND BLESSING THE CUP

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

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.

COMMUNION HYMN (*UMH* 618) " Let Us Break Bread Together" Farley Smith

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN OF SERVICE (*UMH* 400) "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Robertson

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Take on the easy yoke of Christ.
Carry the water of life to a thirsty world and you will find rest for your souls.
Amen.

GOING FORTH "Battle Hymn of the Republic" Steffe/Wilson

**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

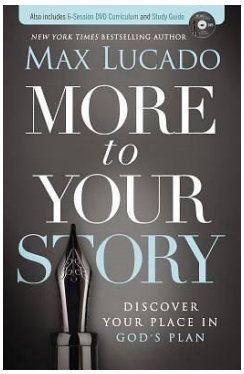
In Person Attendance for June 28th – 119.

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!

Our Prayers

Jerry Avery + Tom Crescenzo ++++ **Erica & daughters** Gary Fulton +++ Nate Hammond +++	Stephanie & Kevin Pepe & Babies ++++ **Jerry Spilecki** Sandy Steggell +++ Vernon Vanderpool +++ Bob Vible +	<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

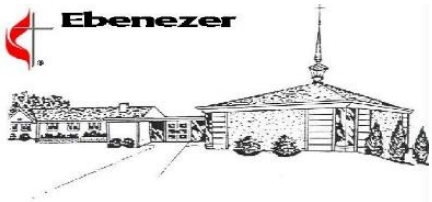
In an effort to list all prayer requests each will appear for 4 weeks as indicated by the number of + after the name

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.



On the Calendar, this week….

Sun	07/05		***6th Sunday after Pentecost***
		10:00am	**Worship Service**
		11:00am	Social Hour – CLC
		4:00pm	BSA50 – Room 204
Mon	07/06	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		11:30am	Social Seniors - GHH
		6:00pm	Cub Scouts Den Meeting – Confirmation Room
		7:00pm	NA Meeting – Room GHH
Tues	07/07	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		9:00am	Carpets being Cleaned in Church
		12:00pm	AA Meeting – Room – 204
		6:00pm	Support Group – Classroom
Wed	07/08	7:30am	AA Meeting – GHH
		10:00am	AA Meeting - Room 204
		11:00am	**Stephen Ministry - Confirmation Room**
		4:00pm	**Project Linus - GHH**
Thurs	07/09	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		12:00pm	ACOA – Room 204
		7:00pm	BSA50 – CLC & Room 211
		7:00pm	NA - GHH
Friday	07/10	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		7:00pm	2 X 4 Dance - CLC
Sat	07/11	8:00am	Private Event – CLC
		8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH
		10:00am	Project Ulster Car Wash – Out Front
		6:30pm	NA Meeting - GHH

Looking forward ....

Sun	07/12		***7th Sunday after Pentecost***
		8:00am	AA Meeting - GHH
		10:00am	**Worship Service/Ulster Project**
		11:00am	Social Hour – CLC
Mon	07/13	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		11:30am	Social Seniors - GHH
		6:00pm	Cub Scouts Den Meeting – Confirmation Room
		7:00pm	Eagle Scout Boards – Room 204,211 & Workroom
		7:00pm	NA Meeting – Room GHH
Tues	07/14	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		12:00pm	AA Meeting – Room – 204
		3:00pm	**Endowment Committee – Room 204**
		6:00pm	Support Group – Classroom
Wed	07/15	7:30am	AA Meeting – GHH
		10:00am	AA Meeting - Room 204
Thurs	07/16	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		12:00pm	ACOA – Room 204
		7:00pm	BSA50 – CLC & Room 211
		7:00pm	NA - GHH
Friday	07/17	**8:00am**	**Lifeline Screening - CLC**
		8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
Sat	07/18	8:00am	AA Meeting – GHH Kitchen
		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

All our members, ministers

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