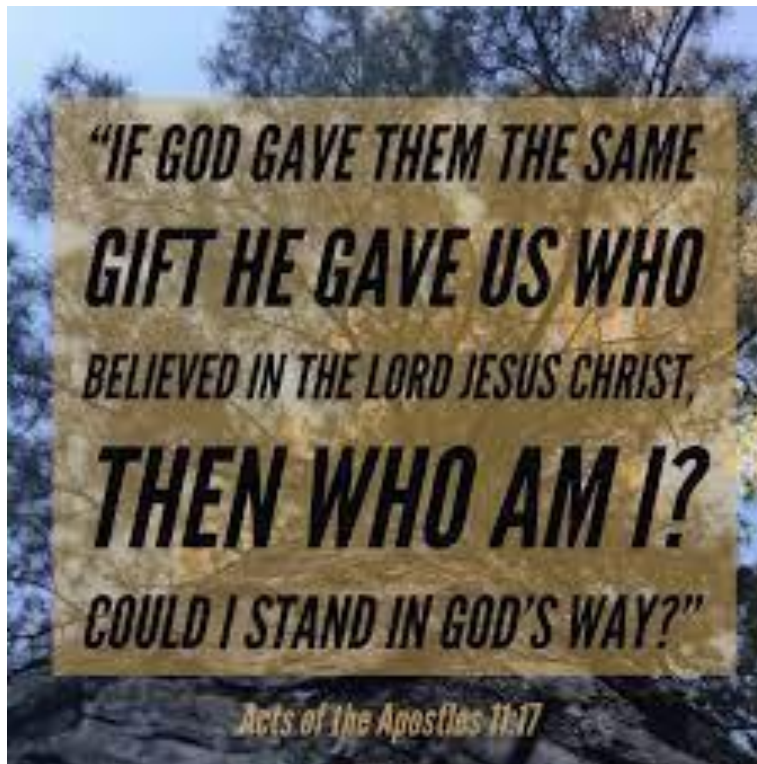


# Ebenezer United Methodist Church

May 15, 2022



*Ebenezer United Methodist Church is a  
Stephen Ministry Congregation*



The Flowers today are presented to the Glory of God and

*In Loving Memory of my Parents,  
Mabel and Kenneth Madden*

*Presented by Adele Madden*

	Participating in Service
Pastor:	Rev. Mary H. Browne
Director of Music:	Mr. F. Robert Rudolph
Worship Leader:	Paul Kelley
Media Team:	Richard Browne, Bill Clark, Reed Williams
Greeter:	Diane Woodman
Ushers:	Don Grimes and Don Pruden

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God... the circumcised believers criticized [Peter], saying, 'Why do you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying... 'the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord... If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?'"*

*Acts 11:1, 26-4, 15b, 16a, 17*

May 15, 2022

10:00 a.m.

## GATHERING

### GREETING 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 your presence with us today.

### CENTERING MUSIC

"Benedictus (mass for peace)"

Karl Jenkins

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

based on Psalm 148

As the sun rises in the morning,

**let all creation worship God.**

From the highest mountains to the deepest seas,

**let all creation proclaim the name of the Lord,**

**for God alone is worthy to be praised.**

God alone makes all things new.

**All praise, glory, and honor is yours, forever.**

### \*PRAISE HYMN (UMH 304)

"Easter People, Raise Your Voices"

REGENT SQUARE

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**O God of promise, your word made flesh in Jesus Christ is trustworthy and true.**

**By the power of your Holy Spirit, may it rise up in us this day**

**like a gift from the spring of the water of life to refresh our thirsty souls.**

**Amen.**

### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 11:1-18

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Come Holy Spirit/Veni Sancte Spiritus"

John Michael Talbot

Chancel Choir

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light, from the clear celestial height,  
thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come now, Father of the poor, come, with treasures to endure.

Come now, light of all that live.

Light immortal, light divine, visit now these hearts of thine,  
and our inmost being fill, for without your grace all turns to ill.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, Veni Sancte Spiritus, Veni Sancte Spiritus

Heal our wounds, our strength renew. On our dryness pour thy dew;  
Wash the stains of guilt away.

Bend the stubborn heart and will; melt the frozen, warm the chill.  
Guide our steps when we go astray.

Light immortal, light divine, visit now these hearts of thine,  
and our inmost being fill, for without your grace all turns to ill.

Veni Sancte Spiritus, Veni Sancte Spiritus, Veni Sancte Spiritus

## CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

MESSAGE "We Are Witnesses: What God Called Clean" Rev. Mary Browne

RESPONSE TO THE WORD (UMH 539) "O Spirit of the Living God" FORREST GREEN

## 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

Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.  
Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another."  
Let us with gladness offer to God the gifts of our labor, life, and love.

OFFERTORY (UMH 393) "Spirit of the Living God" LIVING GOD  
Sung Twice

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

**Holy God, you have given us so much.  
Through your love and abundance, our cup overflows.  
From the bounty of your blessings, we offer these gifts back to you.  
Use these offerings for your glory, as we work to bring your kingdom  
here on earth. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF SERVICE (UMH 500) "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart" MORECAMBE

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

May the Good News of Jesus Christ go with us all.

May we be light and life to all the world.

May the risen Christ go with us and fill us with strength and courage.

Share the faith, keep the promise, speak a kind word, share the gospel,  
and bring peace to the earth.

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

***Sung Amen*** (UMH 898)

GOING FORTH

"In these walls, heaven sings"

Karl Jenkins

*We ask that you 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 **Sixth Sunday of Easter**, May 22, 2022:  
Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21:1-10, 22-22:5; John 14:23-29

BSA Troop 50 - Pack 50, Ebenezer UMC  
**BIKE RODEO- June 4**

**Ages 5 - 12 - Boys & Girls**  
**10am - 3pm**

**Bring Bike/Helmet  
Loaners Available**

**Fun! Food!  
Prizes!**



**Obstacle Course  
Skills**

**Bike Repairs  
and Tune ups**

**525 Polly Drummond Hill Road**  
**Newark DE**

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**2022 Confirmation Class**

Please remember and support our confirmands throughout their journey with a card or a note. They appreciate the love and encouragement from their faith family.

Cards and notes may be left in Pastor Mary's mail slot, mail to the confirmands or mailed to the church office. Thanking you ahead of time.

**Brianna Dempsey, 07/17/2009**  
1019 Corner Ketch Road, Newark, DE. 19711

**Charlotte Jones, 07/21/2008**  
3429 Mc Ginnes Road, Millington, MD. 21651



## Our Prayers



<p><b>Lisa Anderson</b>                  Chuck Armstrong ++  <b>Joanne Dobies</b>  <b>Sam Everett</b>  <b>Doris Jarrell</b>                  Sharon Leipold                  Susan Russell                  Kathy Siple ++                  Evelyn Stehman                  Elaine Williams</p>		<p><u>Ongoing Concerns</u>                  Jade August                  Barbara                  Clara Brelsford                  Roy Brown                  Ron Case                  Marge Clark                  Judy Crescenzo                  Lois Hall                  Ken Johnson</p>	<p>Kristin                  Gary Pierce                  Robert Pierce                  Curtis Reedy                  Denise Reedy                  Olivia Richart                  Louis Simmons                  Zach Trexler                  Josh Vible                  Alex Wiant</p>
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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 all Law Enforcement Officers.  
 Please continue to remember all who serve our country in the military,  
 especially pray for those represented from our congregation.**

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

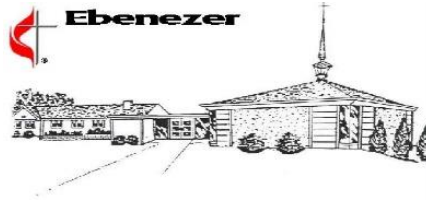
**Altar Flowers:** As many of you may know, altar flowers can be dedicated "in memory of" or "in honor of" a family member or friend on any Sunday of the year. The dedication appears in the Sunday bulletin of your chosen Sunday. If you wish to make an altar flower dedication (\$50/Sunday), please contact Carol in the church office at 731-9495. Thank you!

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**Tuesday Morning Bible Study:** Meets every Tuesday at 9:55am in Room 204.



**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 in the spring.



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

Sun	5/15	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	
		9:00am	Sunday School
		10:00am	Worship
		11:00am	Social Hour
		3:00pm	Youth Group
Mon	5/16	10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		7:00pm	Square Dance Class – CLC
		7:00pm	NA Meeting – GHH
Tues	5/17	9:30am	Bible Study – Room 204
		12:00pm	AA Meeting - Room 204
		<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Stephen Ministry – Room 204</b>
Wed	5/18	10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		10:00am	Chancel Choir – Sanctuary
		5:30pm	Exercise Class – CLC
		6:30pm	Good Chimes – Music Room
		7:00pm	Square Dance Class – CLC
Thurs	5/19	6:00pm	BSA50 – CLC
		7:00pm	NA – GHH & Old Kitchen
Friday	5/20	10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
Sat	5/21	6:30pm	NA Meeting – GHH & Old Kitchen

**Save the Date**

**VBS Food Truck Party**  
**July 11 – 15 (Note new date!)**  
**9 a.m. – 12 noon**

Children ages 4 – 11 (or completed 5<sup>th</sup> grade)  
 Register and apply to volunteer now until July 1  
 Forms are available in church or on our website



## Looking forward....

Sun	5/22	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	
		9:00am	Sunday School
		10:00am	Worship
		11:00am	Social Hour
		3:00pm	Youth Group
Mon	5/23	10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		7:00pm	Square Dance Class – CLC
		7:00pm	NA Meeting – GHH
Tues	5/24	9:30am	Bible Study – Room 204
		12:00pm	AA Meeting - Room 204
		<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Missions Team – Room 204</b>
Wed	5/25	10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
		<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Hope Dining Room</b>
		10:00am	Chancel Choir – Sanctuary
		5:30pm	Exercise Class – CLC
		6:30pm	Good Chimes – Music Room
		7:00pm	Square Dance Class – CLC
Thurs	5/26	6:00pm	BSA50 – CLC
		7:00pm	NA – GHH & Old Kitchen
Friday	5/27	10:00am	AA Meeting – Room 204
Sat	5/28	6:30pm	NA Meeting – GHH & Old Kitchen

### STAY CONNECTED THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA!



Website: [www.EbenezerUMCNewark.org](http://www.EbenezerUMCNewark.org) and Facebook: [Ebenezer UMC Newark](https://www.facebook.com/EbenezerUMCNewark).

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), or Rick Browne at [rbrowne646@gmail.com](mailto:rbrowne646@gmail.com).

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