

# Ebenezer United Methodist Church

October 18, 2020



*Ebenezer United Methodist Church is a*

*Stephen Ministry Congregation.*



Flowers today are presented to the Glory of God and

*In Memory of Loved Ones*

*Presented by Mr. & Mrs. Mark L. Miller, Sr., Marybeth Miller,  
Elyse, Wright and Mark Miller, Jr.*

Participating in Service

Pastor: Rev. Mary H. Browne

Organist: Robert Rudolph

Worship Leader: Connie Miller

Good Chimes Handbell Ensemble: Mary Browne, Rick Browne,  
Mark Clausing, Beth Jackson, Robert Rudolph, and Laurel Wirtz

Live Stream Team: Rick Browne and Bill Clark

# TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 196<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

*“The LORD said to Moses, ‘I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.’*

*Moses said, ‘Show me your glory, I pray.’*

*And he said, ‘I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, ‘The LORD’; and I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy.’” Exodus 33:17-19*

October 18, 2020

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CENTERING MUSIC

“Chapel Echoes”  
Good Chimes Handbell Ensemble

John C. Dare

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Brothers and sisters, we are loved by God.

**The ruler of heaven and earth knows us by name.**

God hears and answers our cries for help.

**God shows compassion and kindness to us.**

May our lives praise and magnify our great and awesome God.

**We have come to worship the One whose image is imprinted within us.**

\*PRAISE SONG (UMH 103, v. 1, 2, 4) “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” ST. DENIO

**1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

**2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
thy justice like mountains high soaring above  
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**

**4. Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light;  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
all laud we would render: O help us to see  
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**O God, we long to see you and know you.  
We do not pretend to have all the answers,  
for how will we ever fully understand your ways?  
As we look into your word today, help us to do so with humility.  
Let us not dismiss the words that we have already heard,  
but, instead, open our hearts to the new words  
you will speak into us.  
We desire to be changed by you.  
Use today's Scripture to challenge us, teach us and move us  
toward being more like your Son.  
In your holy name we ask, Amen.**

LESSON FROM THE FIRST TESTAMENT

Exodus 33:12-23

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION OF 50 YEAR MEMBERS

**Our newest 50 Year Members**

*Richard and Margaret Graper, Paul and Janet Kelly and Meri Ann Spears*

**Our 50+ Year Members**

Cheryl Cunningham	51	Gary Dempsey	56	Margaret Fraser	60
Janice Smith	51	Kenneth Johnson	56	Fredericka Crossan	60
John Smith	51	Ruth Johnson	56	Robert Woodworth	60
Diane Woodman	52	Rebecca Wolfe	56	Learis Donovan	60
Jane Sowden	52	Edward Wolfe	56	Doris Jarrell	61
Sherri Hodgson	52	Wayne Patterson	57	Rodney Dempsey	62
Fred Dawson	52	Joyce Gasper	58	Russell Lomax	62
Judy Crescenzo	52	James Dempsey	58	Elizabeth Clemens	64
Tom Crescenzo	52	William Mills	58	Carole Woodworth	66
Mary Bowers	53	Helen Lynch	58	Jeannette Jarrell	67
Marvin Johnson	53	Clara Brelsford	58	Theresa Dempsey	67
Curtis Reedy	53	Earl Mote	58	Howard Pierce	67
Sharon Bey	54	Howard Crossan	58	Louise Pierce	67
Deborah Donnelly	54	Freida Crossan	58	Margaret Dempsey	70
Suellen Ward	55	Stephen Nelson	59	Louis Dempsey	78

CELEBRATION SONG

"Ebenezer, Ebenezer"

Nancy Neeves-Wissinger

**1. We love to come to our church, Ebenezer on the hill,  
It's so lovely in the spring time, when the frogs their music trill.  
It's so peaceful in the Autumn, when the geese fly overhead.  
In the Summer and the winter, this is where our souls are fed.**

**Refrain:**

**Ebenezer, Ebenezer, this is the church we love.  
As we worship here together, God will guide us from above.**

**2. We are one big loving family, We share our tears and joys.  
And each one of us is special including little girls and boys.  
God has a job for each of us, He wants our light to shine.  
We must share the news that Jesus died for your sins and for mine.  
Refrain**

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL TIME

MESSAGE "Pressing On: Known by Name" Rev. Mary Browne

RESPONSE TO THE WORD (UMH 171) "There's Something About That Name"  
THAT NAME

**Jesus, Jesus, Jesus! There's just something about that name!  
Master, Savior, Jesus! Like the fragrance after the rain.  
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus! Let all heaven and earth proclaim;  
Kings and kingdoms will all pass away,  
but there's something about that name.**

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.**

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

OFFERTORY "Procession of the Priests" John C. Dare  
Good Chimes Handbell Ensemble

\*PRESENTATION OF GIFTS (UMH 95) "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"  
OLD 100TH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

OFFERING PRAYER

**We trust you, Lord God, to multiply the blessings these gifts represent,  
as we pour out your love and grace on those who long  
to hear your word to them,  
to see your power at work within them,  
to feel your comfort beside them,  
through the generous gifts of your Spirit. Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN (*UMH* 120, v. 1, 3, 4)

"Your Love, O God"

alt. tune: FINLANDIA

**1. Your love, O God, is broad like beach and meadow,  
wide as the wind, and our eternal home.  
You leave us free to seek you or reject you,  
you give us room to answer "yes" or "no."**

***Refrain:***

**Your love, O God, is broad like beach and meadow,  
wide as the wind, and our eternal home.**

**3. But there are walls that keep us all divided;  
we fence each other in with hate and war.  
Fear is the bricks and mortar of our prison,  
our pride of self, the prison coat we wear.**

***Refrain***

**4. O judge us, Lord, and in your judgment free us,  
and set our feet in freedom's open space;  
take us as far as your compassion wanders  
among the children of the human race.**

***Refrain***

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Brothers and sisters, beloved by God who has chosen you,  
the gospel has come to you not only in word, but also in power,  
and in the Holy Spirit with full conviction!

Go out now in joy.

Be an example to all, empowered to love the unloveable  
and forgive the unforgiveable in the grace-filled name of Jesus Christ.

May God tuck us securely into the cleft of the rock of our salvation, Jesus Christ.  
May we sense the inexpressible awe of God's goodness passing over us.  
And may we rest in the peace that passes all understanding, now and forevermore.

**Amen.**

SENDING FORTH

"Postlude in G Major"

A. Menlemeester

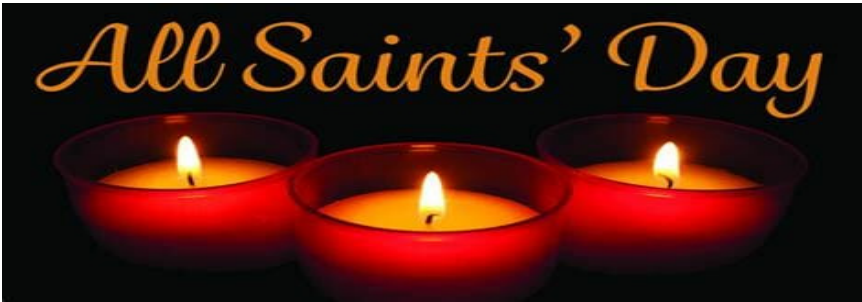
*Please remain seated until the SENDING FORTH is concluded  
and you are dismissed by an usher.  
You will be dismissed by rows, starting at the back of the sanctuary.*

\*please stand in body or spirit  
**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 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday After Pentecost, October 25, 2020:  
Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8;  
Matthew 22:34-46



**REMEMBERING OUR SAINTS**  
**Sunday, November 1**  
**10:00am In Person Worship or Live Stream**

John Wesley wrote in his journal one year that All Saints Day was "a day I peculiarly love;" and why not love a day that celebrates the lives of God's children. We recognize All Saints Sunday as a day of remembrance for the saints, with the New Testament meaning of all Christian people of every time and place. We celebrate the communion of saints as we remember those who have died, both of the Church universal and of our local congregation. The names of these persons who have died during the past year will be read during the Great Thanksgiving:

Steve Moje	William Broelmann III	Marilyn DiCenzo
Brenda Brecse	Richard Allen	Zelma M. Robinson
Francis "Pudd" Jamison		Linda Holtzclaw
Charles Leonard	Rod Stewart	Edward Joseph Williams, Jr.
Dorothy Hohman	Robert Brown, Jr.	Joe Stewart
Debbie Stewart	Kenneth Madden	Freda Virginia Kerns
Richard Beasom	Gwen Thompson	



## Our Prayers

<b>Bernie August</b> Ron Baker + Leta Bachman +++ Anna Marie Beasom ++ Donald Bogert + Freida Crossan + Ralph Crossan + Julie ++++ Janet Kelley +	Mike +++ Shelly Morrow + <b>Neta</b> Geoffrey Steggell + Sandy Steggell + Shirley Vanderpool +	<u>Ongoing Concerns</u> Barbara Donald Bogert Roy Brown Judy Crescenzo Frieda Crossan Max Dawson Ruth Dore Victoria “Bo” Fulton Ken Johnson Kristin Howard & Louise Pierce Curtis Reedy Denise Reedy Zach Trexler Josh Vible Alex Wiant
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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.**

### **Missionaries We Support:**

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Bible Study for Today:** Has resumed Meeting every Thursday at 9:15am in GHH and Classrooms. If you would like to attend you need to please contact Nancy Williams at [mtnanax3@yahoo.com](mailto:mtnanax3@yahoo.com) or (406) 381-8304.

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All year long we collect items for **Stockings for Soldiers**.

Suggested items of the month: **October:** Ramen Noodles – small packets, and white or black crew socks.

The collection box is in the narthex. Thanks for your contributions for this worthwhile project. Monetary donations are always welcome.

Ann Varey 302-540-7488



**Zingo Feathers for Free Turkeys:** We are collecting Zingo feathers for free turkeys. The turkeys are used by our Youth Group for Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for the needy. We have an envelope for your feathers by the door of Room 204

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It is time for Samaritan's Purse's Operation Christmas Child ministry. Due to COVID-19, there is the option to build and donate your box online this year. You can go to <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/> (or search for Operation Christmas Child build online) to donate a box in under 5 minutes. While donating online is the preferred method this year, you can still build a

physical box. Instruction, the brochures/labels, and a limited number of Samaritan's Purse boxes are available in the narthex. If you choose to do this, please have the **boxes in the church by Sunday, November 1**. If you have any questions, please contact Pam Connelly (302-636-9245 or [pamconnelly@comcast.net](mailto:pamconnelly@comcast.net)). Thank you.

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### **United Methodist Women's Pecan Sale**

The UMW will be ordering only new crop pecans this year. According to Atwell Pecan Company the pecans will arrive before Thanksgiving. Unless there is a huge increase in our cost, the price for a pound of pecans will remain at \$12.00. We will have large pecan halves and medium pecan pieces for sale. If you would like to pre-order, please contact Brooksie Pruden at 302-239-3191 (home phone), email: [brooksiepru@gmail.com](mailto:brooksiepru@gmail.com) or text me at 302-559-1497. If you have questions, let me know.

Brooksie Pruden

