# EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1001 Ebenezer Road | Knoxville, TN 37923
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Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9 am—2 pm
Celebration Worship, 9 am ~ Sunday School, 10 am ~ Heritage Worship, 11 am

# **Baptism of the Lord Sunday**

Heritage Worship Service January 12, 2025 11:00 am

Preiude	Edward Pierce, Organ	arr. J.D. Wilsor
Welcome and Opening Praye	er	Rev. Austin Byerly
*Opening HymnR	ejoice Ye Pure in Heart v.1,2,3,5	UMH 160
Affirmation of Faith	Apostle's Creed	UMH 881
*Gloria Patri	Glory Be to the Father	UMH 70
*Hymn	O How I Love Jesus	UMH 170
Scripture Lesson	Isaiah 43:1-7	Rev. Austin Byerly
Anthem	Like a Dove Heritage Choir	John Purifoy
Offering Moment		
Pastoral Prayer and the Lord	's Prayer	
Special Music	Let There Be Peace on Earth Kathryn Paden, Soprano	arr. Mark Haye
Message	Saturday Detention	Rev. Tim Pau
*Closing HymnB	lest Be the Tie That Binds v. 1,4	UMH 557
*Benediction		

The altar flowers today are from Sherry Miller in honor of all the volunteers who worked so hard to make our church look festive for the holidays!

Edward Pierce, Organ



### WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

..Our Savior to the Jordan Came.....arr. Edward Pierce

To participate in worship through giving: place your offering in the baskets by the doors of the sanctuary; mail your offering to PO Box 31047 Knoxville, TN 37930; or give online, securely, by using the QR code or visiting <a href="https://www.eumcknox.org">www.eumcknox.org</a>.

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John answered them all, "I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I am will come. I'm not good enough to untie the straps of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."





#### **MINISTRIES AT EBENEZER**

Looking for new ways to get involved at Ebenezer? Volunteer in one or all of these ministries below!

**Partner With Us In Prayer**—We will meet via Zoom on **Tuesday, January 21**, at 6:30 pm. To join or submit a prayer request, contact Anita.

Visit Ministry—Interested in visiting those who are part of our church family but are unable to attend on a Sunday morning? Contact Celia or Barbara to join a group that visits with those who can't join us!

Magnolia Ave. Food Pantry—This month, we will collect Toilet Paper for our neighbors at Magnolia Ave. If you'd like to donate, please drop your items off in the bin in the hallway in front of the office. The next distribution day at Magnolia Ave. is Monday, January 27.

Wesley House—Currently collecting Canned Goods in the container in St. Clair Hall.

Helping Hands—Reach out to Ken to learn more.

Altar Flowers—The 2025 calendar is now available in the lobby!

#### **SERVING AT EBENEZER**

Want to get more involved in the worship services on Sunday mornings at Ebenezer? Volunteer in one or all of these ministries!



Helping out in the Heritage Service—We would love your help to lead worship during the Heritage Service by reading Scriptures, creeds, and responsive readings. Reach out to Pastor Austin at abyerly@eumcknox.org if you're interested!

**Serving Communion**—We are looking for people to serve communion in both the Celebration Service and the Heritage Service. To serve, reach out to Pastor Austin.

Serving on the Tech Team – If you have a passion or interest in technology, we'd love your help on the Tech Team! We're looking for people to help run announcement / sermon slides, control a camera for our livestream, or run audio. Reach out to our worship leader Todd Burkholder (burkholder.todd@gmail.com) or Meagan in the front office (office@eumcknox.org) to start volunteering!

**Be an Usher/Greeter**—We are looking for people to be a friendly face on Sunday mornings to everyone who walks in the building! Duties include things like handing out bulletins, directing people where to go, picking up the offering, and more. If this is something you're interested in, reach out to Meagan in the front office by emailing office@eumcknox.org or calling (865) 691-8330.

### **WARMING SHELTER BLANKET DONATIONS**

This winter, we are serving the community by supporting the West Knoxville Emergency Warming Shelter at Cokesbury UMC. They are currently collecting blankets. If you'd like to purchase a blanket for those in need, you may go to our Outreach Programs portion of our website under the Programs tab; there, you will see the Amazon link to order a blanket and have it shipped directly to Cokesbury.

Thank you to everyone who has already purchased a blanket!

# **EXERCISE WITH EBENEZER—MONDAY NIGHTS & TUESDAY MORNINGS**

Interested in exercising with a group of friends and making new ones along the way? Join us on Mondays for Yoga With Tammy, and Tuesdays for Qigong With Mona! On Mondays, grab your yoga mat and exercise clothes, and join Tammy at 6 pm in the Lobby! On Tuesdays, join Mona at 11 am in the Fellowship Classroom for a gentle, meditative movement class, perfect for new beginners to yoga.

#### **JOIN US FOR COFFEE!**

Women's Coffee—Ladies, grab a cup of coffee and enjoy each other's company every Tuesday morning at 10 am in the Community Room!

Men's Coffee—Men, enjoy your Thursday morning cup of coffee together every Thursday at 9 am in the Annex.



#### THIS WEEK AT EBENEZER

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

7:30 am—Men's Breakfast (Community Room)

9:00 am—Celebration Service (Sanctuary)

10:00 am—Sunday School (various locations)

11:00 am—Heritage Service (Sanctuary)

12:00 pm—Lunch with Purpose: Bags of Grace (St. Clair Hall)

5:00 pm—Youth Group (Annex)

#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 13**

6:00 pm—Yoga With Tammy (Lobby)

7:00 pm—Boy Scouts (Annex)

### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 14**

10:00 am—Storytime With Mrs. Alicia (Power JAM)

10:00 am—Women's Coffee (Community Room)

11:00 am—Qigong With Mona (Lobby)

5:30 pm—KSO Youth Chamber Music Rehearsals (Sanctuary, various locations)

7:00 pm—Cub Scouts (Annex)

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

10:30 am—WaTT (confirm each week with Amy Aspenwall)

6:00 pm—Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 16**

9:00 am—Men's Coffee (Annex)

10:00 am—United Methodist Women Meeting (Community Room)

7:00 pm—Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting (Sanctuary)

7:00 pm—Al-Anon Meeting (Community Room)

7:00 pm—Alateen Meeting (Annex)

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

5:00 pm—Brownie Troop Meeting (Annex)

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 18**

8:00 am—Veteran's Breakfast (St. Clair Hall)

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 19**

9:00 am—Celebration Service (Sanctuary)

10:00 am—Sunday School (various locations)

11:00 am—Heritage Service (Sanctuary)

5:00 pm—Youth Group (Annex)

#### "LUNCH WITH PURPOSE: BAGS OF GRACE" THIS SUNDAY

This Sunday at 12 pm, we invite all Children and Youth Ministries' Families and Young Adults to join us for our event Lunch with Purpose: Bags of Grace! At this event, we will have lunch together and fill 500 bags with the supplies our church has been collecting for Cokesbury. This will be a wonderful time for our young adults and young families to meet, share a meal together, and connect and bond as we serve the community together!



#### UNITED METHODIST WOMEN—THURSDAY

Our United Methodist Women are looking forward to gathering this Thursday at 10 am in the Community Room. All women of the church are invited! Contact Sue Petrie with any questions about UMW.

## VETERAN'S BREAKFAST—SATURDAY

The monthly Veteran's breakfast at Ebenezer will be this Saturday from 8-9:30 am in St. Clair Hall! This free breakfast is put on by The United Veterans Council of East Tennessee, Inc, in partnership with Irreverent Warriors, and is for all veterans, active duty soldiers, and their guests. Join us for a time of fellowship and a meal with other military families!

### **WELCOME GUESTS!**

We are glad you are here! We invite you to fill out a connection card that you can find on the back of the pew in front of you. Leave us your name, phone number, and email so that we can connect with you, learn more about you, and share more about who we are. Also, please note that we have a **Cry Room** and a **Sensory Room** on the right side of the sanctuary if needed. We're so thankful you're here!

If you have questions about our Youth Ministry or want more information on the activities listed below, reach out to Pastor Austin Byerly, Associate Pastor and Youth Director, at abyerly@eumcknox.org



# JOIN US FOR YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

### **Sunday School This Morning**

We will meet for Sunday School this morning at 10 am in the Annex. Join us!

#### **Youth Group Tonight**

Join us tonight from 5—7 pm in the Annex for a fun night of friendship and food as we grow in our faith together!

#### **UPCOMING IN YOUTH**

Resurrection 2025—January 24-26 at LeConte Center in Pigeon Forge

# **VOLUNTEER IN YOUTH MINISTRY!**

After a Fall packed with fun, service, laughter, and a bit of chaos, we've started a new year in youth ministry! Would you pray for how you might make a difference in our students' lives? We would love for you to journey with them through life's highs and lows as a teenager. If you are interested in serving in youth ministry, email Pastor Austin at abyerly@eumcknox.org. Thank you for your prayers and your consideration!

If you have questions about our Children's Ministry or want more information on the activities below, contact Alicia Wilson, Children's Director, at childrensministry@eumcknox.org



### JOIN US THIS MORNING FOR CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

#### Power JAM—9 am & 11 am (for Pre-K through 5th grade)

We're excited continue our series *Why is the Bible Relevant to Me?* Through this series, we'll help kids discover how God speaks through His Word to those who listen, offering guidance and correction for their lives. Together, we'll explore key themes like the Bible as God's true Word and how to use it as a guide for daily living.

# Sunday School—10 am (for Pre-K through 5th grade)

There is always something exciting planned for Sunday School as Ms. Katie leads our Pre-K—2<sup>nd</sup> grade Sunday school class and Mrs. Alicia leads our 3<sup>rd</sup>—5<sup>th</sup> graders!

#### Nursery—9 am to 12 pm (for infants and toddlers)

A nursery is available for your young children from 9 am to 12 pm on Sundays while you are here. Worship worry-free, as Mrs. Sherry cares for your little ones!

### STORYTIME IS BACK!

Join us for Storytime with Mrs. Alicia! Every Tuesday at 10 am, bring your little ones (ages 1-5) for a fun-filled morning of stories, songs, and crafts. Everyone is welcome—come connect, learn, and grow with our community!

## **VOLUNTEER IN CHILDREN'S MINISTRY!**

Make a difference in the lives of kids by volunteering with our Children's Ministry team! Whether you love teaching, crafting, or just being a friendly face, we have a spot for you to help share God's love! Contact Mrs. Alicia for more information.