EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1001 Ebenezer Road | Knoxville, TN 37923
(865) 691-8330 or www.eumcknox.org
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 19, 2025 11:00 am

Preludearr. J.D. Wils Edward Pierce, Organ	son
Welcome and Opening PrayerRev. Austin Bye	erly
*Opening HymnRejoice Ye Pure in Heart v.1,2,3,5UMH 2	160
Affirmation of FaithApostle's CreedUMH 8	81
*Gloria PatriGlory Be to the FatherUMH	70
*HymnLift Every Voice and SingUMH 5	519
Scripture LessonRev. Austin Bye	erly
AnthemJohn Puri Heritage Choir	foy
Offering Moment	
Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer	
Special Musicarr. Mark Ha Kathryn Paden, Soprano	yes
MessageRev. Tim P	aul
*Closing HymnBlest Be the Tie That Binds v. 1,4UMH 5	57
*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 www.eumcknox.org.

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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 28**, 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!

THANK YOU FOR BAGS OF GRACE!

Thank you to all our Children and Youth Ministries' Families who joined us last Sunday for Bags Of Grace, a time where we filled 500 bags with the supplies our church has been collecting for Cokesbury. We had such a great turnout, and it was a sweet time of connecting and bonding as we served the community together!

Thanks to everyone who donated needed food items to make this event a success!

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 19

9:00 am—Celebration Service (Sanctuary)

10:00 am—Sunday School (various locations)

11:00 am—Heritage Service (Sanctuary)

MONDAY, JANUARY 20—MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY (OFFICE CLOSED)

6:00 pm—Yoga With Tammy (Lobby)

7:00 pm—Boy Scouts (Annex)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

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

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

11:00 am—Qigong With Mona (Lobby)

12:00 pm—Lunch Bunch with Austin Byerly (St. Clair Hall)

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

7:00 pm—Cub Scouts (Annex)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22

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

6:00 pm—Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

9:00 am—Men's Coffee (Annex)

7:00 pm—Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting (Sanctuary)

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

7:00 pm—Alateen Meeting (Annex)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

Youth: Resurrection 2025

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

Youth: Resurrection 2025

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26

9:00 am—Celebration Service (Sanctuary)

10:00 am—Sunday School (various locations)

11:00 am—Heritage Service (Sanctuary)

2:00 pm—Water Angels

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY—MONDAY

Monday is Martin Luther King Jr. Day, a federal holiday that honors the life and legacy of the American civil rights icon. In honor of the day, the church office will be closed.

LUNCH BUNCH—TUESDAY

Make plans to join us for fellowship and a feast for Lunch Bunch this Tuesday at 12 pm in St. Clair Hall! Our guest speaker will be Pastor Austin to talk about our database, Realm. Please bring a covered dish and a friend for this great program!



Pray for our youth

RESURRECTION 2025—FRIDAY-SUNDAY

Our youth are anticipating their trip to Resurrection this weekend! Resurrection is an amazing retreat event of worship and spiritual growth for thousands of youth and youth mentors from the area. Please pray for our youth and chaperones as they prepare to embark on this spiritual retreat. Pray that during their time at Resurrection, they will grow closer to God as well as each other.

WATER ANGELS—NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday we will be serving a meal at Water Angels! We are in need of chips and cookies donated for this meal; if you'd like to donate, put your items in the bin in the lobby. If you'd like to serve at Water Angels, meet at the church at 2 pm next Sunday.

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

YouthGroup

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!

No Youth Group Tonight or Next Week

We will not be meeting tonight for Youth Group due to the holiday weekend. We will also not meet next week, as we will be returning from Resurrection on Sunday.

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

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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—2nd grade Sunday school class and Mrs. Alicia leads our 3rd—5th 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 WITH MRS. ALICIA—TUESDAYS AT 10 AM

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.