

Heritage Worship Service

January 26, 2025

11:00 am

Prelude.....I Need Thee Every Hour.....arr. F.D. Ashdown
Edward Pierce, Organ

Welcome and Opening Prayer.....Rev. Tim Paul

*Opening Hymn.....O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing v.1-4.....UMH 57

Responsive Reading.....Rev. Tim Paul
Joyful celebration, suddenly interrupted. Something is missing. **Emptiness.**
Worry. "What now?" But someone steps in. Someone with power to help.
Hope. Possibility. Ordinary things become extraordinary. Simple acts become
miracles. **Amazement. Generosity beyond expectation.** God sees our needs,
even in the smallest moments. **He fills our emptiness. Transforms our fear.**
Trust him. Follow him. **Amen.**

*Hymn.....O How I Love Jesus.....UMH 170

Scripture Lesson.....John 2:1-11.....Rev. Tim Paul

Anthem.....Wonderful, Merciful Savior.....Eric Wyse
Heritage Choir

Offering Moment

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Special Music.....Great Is Thy Faithfulness.....Arr. Dan Forrest
Marcus Smith, Dowe Cauthen, Kevin Young, Carroll Logan, and Jamie Wilson

Message.....Running on Empty.....Rev. Tim Paul

*Closing Hymn.....Spirit Song.....UMH 347

*Benediction

Postlude.....Trumpet Tune.....R. Dinda
Edward Pierce, Organ

*The altar flowers are in remembrance of Dewayne Williams,
Ashlyn Byerly's father, from Ebenezer UMC.*

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WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING



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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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, earmuffs, thermal socks, sleeping bags, and more. If you'd like to purchase items 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 items and have it shipped directly to Cokesbury. **Having the items shipped directly to Cokesbury via the Amazon list is the fastest way to get the needed items to the Warming Shelter.** Thank you to everyone who has already purchased needed items! To learn more about the Warming Shelter, visit <https://www.cokesbury.tv/warming>.

MINISTRIES AT EBENEZER

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

Get Involved In A Ministry!

Partner With Us In Prayer—If you have a heart for prayer, you're invited to be part of EUMC's prayer ministry. This is an opportunity for fellowship, prayer, and to make a difference in the lives of others! We will meet via Zoom on **Tuesday, January 28**, at 6:30 pm. To join or submit a prayer request, contact Anita. You can send your prayer requests or praises to Anita, Pastor Tim, Pastor Austin, or Meagan in the front office.

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—**Tomorrow** we are distributing bags of food at Magnolia Ave. Food Pantry. If you'd like to volunteer and serve, **meet at the church at 10 am** to load up cars and carpool to the Food Pantry. Thank you to everyone who donated toilet paper and other needed items this month!

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

Helping Hands—A ministry that helps with handyman projects for those in need. They are always looking for people willing to serve with upcoming projects. Choose to make a difference in someone else's life as well as your own! Reach out to Ken Pearson to get started.

Altar Flowers—The 2025 calendar is available in the lobby! Sign up to bring flowers in honor or remembrance of someone important or a special event in your life.

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!

SERVE ON A SUNDAY MORNING

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.

THIS WEEK AT EBENEZER

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 27

10:00 am—Magnolia Ave. Food Pantry
6:00 pm—Yoga With Tammy (Lobby)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28

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)
6:30 pm—Prayer Team Meeting (Zoom)
7:00 pm—Cub Scouts (St. Clair Hall)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29

10:30 am—WaTT
6:30 pm—Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
6:30 pm—Private Event (Community Room)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30

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 31

5:30 pm—Private Event (St. Clair Hall)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

10:00 am—Private Event (St. Clair Hall)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

9:00 am—Celebration Service with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
10:00 am—Sunday School (various locations)
11:00 am—Heritage Service with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)
1:45 pm—Private Recital (Sanctuary)
5:00 pm—Youth Group (Annex)

WATER ANGELS—TODAY

We will be serving a meal today at Water Angels! If you're available to volunteer, meet at the church at 2 pm. Thank you to everyone who donated chips and cookies!

WALK AND TALK TOGETHER—SCHEDULE CHANGE

Our walking and lunch group WaTT (Walk and Talk Together) will be switching to every other Wednesday through the winter. The next time they will meet will be Wednesday, January 29. For more information, reach out to Amy Aspenwall, Nancy Connors, or Joan Henn.



CHOIR REHEARSAL—WEDNESDAYS

The Heritage Choir will rehearse in the Sanctuary each Wednesday at 6:30 pm. Come join us! If you would like more information about the choir, contact our Choir Director, Carroll Logan, at carrollbrenda@comcast.net.



LUNCH BUNCH—TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Due to the cold weather last Tuesday, we canceled our Lunch Bunch talk on Realm, our online directory. We hope you'll join us next month on Tuesday, February 18, at 12 pm, to hear from our staff on how we are moving forward with our online directory!



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 and contact information so that we can connect with you and share more about who we are. Also, if you need them, we have a **Cry Room** and a **Sensory Room** on the right side of the sanctuary, as well as a **Nursing Room** in the Children's Wing. We're 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!

No Sunday School This Morning

We will not have Sunday School today as our Youth are at the Resurrection retreat.

No Youth Group Tonight

Be praying for our Youth as they travel home from Resurrection this afternoon!

UPCOMING IN YOUTH

Regular Youth Group—February 2, 5-7 pm, in the Annex

No Youth Group—February 9, due to Superbowl Sunday

Safe Sanctuaries Training for Parents—February 16, 12-1:30 pm, in the Sanctuary

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—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.