

Palm Sunday
Heritage Worship Service
April 13, 2025
11:00 am

Prelude.....	Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring.....	J.S. Bach
	Dogwood Strings	
Welcome and Opening Prayer.....	Rev. Austin Byerly	
*Processional Hymn.....	Hosanna, Loud Hosanna.....	UMH 278
Special Music.....	Little Donkey and Sing Hosanna	
	Ebenezer Children with Denise Gray & Alicia Wilson, and Wendy Kitts (Piano)	
Affirmation of Faith.....	Apostle’s Creed.....	UMH 881
*Gloria Patri.....	Glory Be to the Father.....	UMH 70
Anthem.....	O Sacred Head Now Wounded.....arr. Joel Raney	
	Alice Stuart, Cello	
Offering Moment		
Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer		
<u>Shadows of Sacrifice, A Cantata for Holy Week, by John Purifoy</u>		
Prelude		
Narration.....	The Shadow of Betrayal.....	Matthew 26:20-25
“Is It I, Lord”		
Narration.....	The Shadow of Inner Agony.....	Luke 22:39-44
“Remove This Cup”		
Narration.....	The Shadow of Loneliness.....	Matthew 26:40-45
“‘Tis Midnight”		
Narration.....	The Shadow of Desertion.....	Matthew 26:48-50
“Friend, Why Are You Here?”		
Narration.....	The Shadow of Accusation.....	Mark15:8-15
“Father, Forgive Them”		
“Where You There?”		
Narration.....	The Shadow of Grief.....	Words of Matthew
“Carry Him Gently”	Sarah Howell, Soprano.....	Buryl Red
Narration.....	The Shadow of Death.....	Luke 23:47-48
“O Thou Who Through This Holy Week”		
“‘Tis Finished the Messiah Dies”		
*Closing and Benediction.....	Rev. Tim Paul	
*Choral Benediction.....	‘Tis Finished the Messiah Dies.....	John Purifoy
Postlude.....	Alleluia from Exultate Jubilate.....	W.A. Mozart
	The Dogwood Strings	

Participants in the Service Today:

<i>The Heritage Choir</i>	<i>Wendy Kitts, Piano</i>	<i>Carol Tucker, Viola</i>
<i>Carroll Logan, Director</i>	<i>Edward Pierce, Organ</i>	<i>Alice Stuart, Cello</i>
<i>Heather Kyle, Narration</i>	<i>Mary Ann Fennell, Violin</i>	<i>Addison Dean, Flute</i>
<i>Donny Pember, Narration</i>	<i>Mary Pulgar, Violin</i>	

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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Ebenezer
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Palm
SUNDAY

“Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!”

April 13, 2025

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!

LENTEN SEASON AT EBENEZER

Join us for special activities during this Lenten Season, as we prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of Easter.



Lent Family Sunday School Class

Today at 10 am is our final Family Sunday School Class! We hope all parents, children, and youth join us on this last Sunday School class morning.

Bible Study with Pastor Tim

Join us for "Flawed to Faithful: Journeying with Peter this Lent." We meet at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Classroom on Wednesday (next Wednesday will be our last class).

Combined Service with St. Mark UMC—Maundy Thursday (April 17)

We will meet at St. Mark UMC (7001 S Northshore Dr) at 6:30 pm on April 17.

Family Serve Day—Sunday, April 13, immediately following the 11 am service

We will be delivering flowers, painting rocks, and making cards for those in Ebenezer’s congregation! We will also have lunch together.

We are so excited to celebrate the resurrection of our Savior together this Easter! He is risen indeed!

EASTER AT EBENEZER



Service /Special Events Times and Locations

- 7:00 am—Outside Sunrise Service at our Amphitheater
- 9:00 am—Celebration Service in our Sanctuary
- 10:00 am—Children’s Outdoor Easter Egg Hunt
- 10:00 am—Outdoor Contemporary Service at our Amphitheater
- 11:00 am—Heritage Service in our Sanctuary

Programming for children will be provided at the 9 am, 10 am, and 11 am services only
For our outdoor services, bring a lawn chair with you, or a towel for the dewy benches.

We will have a flower cross in the sanctuary! To decorate it, bring fresh-cut flowers to the sanctuary at 8:30 am or 10:30 am on Easter Sunday, or on Thursday 4/17.

Unless otherwise designated, offerings received on Easter Sunday will be used to support Ebenezer’s local mission partners:

Magnolia Ave. Food Pantry	Wesley House
Breakthrough (adults with Autism)	Water Angels
Angel Tree	Wesley House Food Pantry
Various projects with A. L. Lotts	The Grannies
Various projects with Blue Grass Schools	And More!



MINISTRIES AT EBENEZER

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

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, April 28.**

Wesley House—With expensive food prices, Wesley House is not able to acquire enough food necessary for their food pantry. If you’re able, please help by donating canned goods (**veggies, fruit, beans, meats, soup**) in the container in St. Clair Hall.

THIS WEEK AT EBENEZER

SUNDAY, APRIL 13—PALM SUNDAY

- 9:00 am—Celebration Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:00 am—Sunday School (various locations)
- 11:00 am—Heritage Service with Dogwood Strings and our Children (Sanctuary)
- 12:00 pm—Family Serve Day (St. Clair Hall)

MONDAY, APRIL 14

- 6:00 pm—Yoga With Tammy (Lobby)

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

- 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 Rachel Frazier, Public Health Educator (St. Clair Hall)
- 3:00 pm—Farmers’ Market (Parking Lot)
- 5:30 pm—KSO Youth Chamber Music Rehearsals (Sanctuary, various locations)
- 7:00 pm—Cub Scouts (Annex)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

- 10:30 am—WaTT (Church parking lot)
- 5:30 pm—Lent Bible Study With Pastor Tim (Fellowship Classroom)
- 6:30 pm—Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, APRIL 17—MAUNDY THURSDAY

- 9:00 am—Men’s Coffee (Annex)
- 10:00 am—UMW (Community Room)
- 6:30 pm—Maundy Thursday service at St. Mark UMC (7001 S Northshore Dr)
- 7:00 pm—Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting (St. Clair Hall)
- 7:00 pm—Al-Anon Meeting (Community Room)
- 7:00 pm—Alateen Meeting (Annex)

FRIDAY, APRIL 18—GOOD FRIDAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 19

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 20—EASTER!

- 7:00 am—Outdoor Sunrise Service (Amphitheater)
- 9:00 am—Celebration Service (Sanctuary)
- 10:00 am—Outdoor Service (Amphitheater)
- 11:00 am—Heritage Service (Sanctuary)

LUNCH BUNCH—THIS 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 Rachel Frazier, a Knox County Public Health Educator, speaking on “Staying Strong Through the Years.” Bring a covered dish and a friend for this great program!

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN—THIS 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!

VETERAN’S BREAKFAST—THIS 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. Veterans, join us Saturday!

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THANK YOU FROM PASTOR AUSTIN

Thank you all for the wonderful celebration in my honor this past Sunday! I’m deeply grateful for your kind words, generosity, and ongoing support and encouragement. The love and kindness you shared are something I will carry with me throughout my ministry. I am so grateful to be doing ministry with you and to be part of the Ebenezer family. Thank you for everything! I’m truly honored to serve as one of your pastors!

OFFICE CLOSED NEXT MONDAY

The church office will be closed the day after Easter on Monday, April 21.

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—Lent Family Sunday School Class at 10 am in St. Clair Hall

Youth Group—Youth Group will meet again on Sunday, May 4, 5-7 pm in the Annex.

Upcoming: Graduate Sunday—We are looking forward to celebrating our graduates May 4! Parents, send Meagan (office@eumcknox.org) the name of your graduate(s), where they’re graduating from, what’s next for them, and 3-4 pictures for an insert. Please send this information and pictures to Meagan **by Monday, April 28.**

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



Children’s Ministry

JOIN US THIS MORNING FOR CHILDREN’S DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES!

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

Our Children's Ministry is continuing their series, "Who Is Jesus?," as we journey through the life, teachings, and love of Jesus leading up to our Easter celebrations. Join us as we discover who Jesus is and how He is the Lord of our lives!

Sunday School—Lent Family Sunday School Class at 10 am in St. Clair Hall

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!

EASTER SUNDAY

Join us on Easter Sunday as we celebrate the good news of Jesus’ resurrection! We’ll have a special lesson, games, activities, and snacks for kids during our 9 am, 10 am, and 11 am services. Plus, don’t miss our big Easter Egg Hunt kicking off right at 10 am for all ages—bring your own Easter basket! There may even be a surprise visitor hopping by. It’s going to be a fun and joyful morning for the whole family!

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY: SPRING FESTIVAL

Join us for our Spring Festival! Spring is in the air, and we’re celebrating with an afternoon full of fun, games, crafts, and activities! This is a free event for the community, so invite your friends, bring your family, and come celebrate spring!

What to Expect:

- Bounce House**—Jump into the fun!
- Games & Crafts**—Activities for everyone!
- Face Painting**—Get creative with designs!
- Treats**—Delicious snacks to enjoy!
- Special Surprise Visitors**—Who could they be? Come and find out!

Volunteers, Donations Needed:

If you would like to donate towards the Spring Festival, we need bottled water; you can drop off cases of water to the Children’s Ministry back hallway. We are also in need of volunteers for the Festival; you can sign up to volunteer by going to the Children’s Programs page on our website and clicking the volunteer link.