

**EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
1001 Ebenezer Road | Knoxville, TN 37923  
(865) 691-8330 or [www.eumcknox.org](http://www.eumcknox.org)  
Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9 am—2 pm  
Celebration Worship, 9 am ~ Sunday School, 10 am ~ Heritage Worship, 11 am

**Easter Sunday**  
**Heritage Worship Service**  
April 20, 2025  
11:00 am

Prelude.....This Joyful Eastertide I.....Raymond Haan  
Abbigail Passiafume, Noah Kline, and Jamie Wilson, Trumpets

Call to Worship .....Christ Is Risen, Alleluia.....arr. Sally Albrecht

Welcome and Opening Prayer.....Rev. Austin Byerly  
Christ the Lord is risen!  
**He is risen indeed!**

\*Hymn.....Christ the Lord Is Risen Today v.1,2,3,4.....UMH 302

Responsive Reading.....Rev. Austin Byerly  
Friends, the tomb is empty! **The stone has been rolled away!** Christ is risen! **He is risen, indeed!** For three days he lay in that cold and lonely cave. But God’s love cannot be contained by anything, **not even death!** On the third day, with a mighty triumph o’er his foes, **He arose a victor from the dark domain!** Thanks be to God, **who gives us victory through our Risen Lord.** Death has been swallowed up in victory! Where, O death, is your victory? **Where, O death, is your sting?** Christ is risen! **He is risen, indeed! Hallelujah! Amen.**

\*Hymn.....Up from the Grave He Arose.....UMH 322

Scripture Reading.....Acts 10:34-43.....Rev. Austin Byerly

Anthem.....He Is Risen.....Virgil Ford  
Abigail Passiafume, Noah Kline, and Jamie Wilson, Trumpets

Offering Moment

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Special Music.....I Know That My Redeemer Liveth.....G. F. Handel  
Jennifer Bruce, Soprano

Message.....The Unbelievable Comeback.....Rev. Tim Paul

\*Hymn.....The Day of Resurrection v.1,3.....UMH 303

\*Benediction

Postlude.....This Joyful Eastertide IV.....Raymond Haan  
Abbigail Passiafume, Noah Kline, and Jamie Wilson, Trumpets

*Acolytes in today’s service are Addie Wilson and Chloe Black. The altar flowers are given by UMW.*

**Unless otherwise designated, today’s Offerings will be used to support Ebenezer’s local mission partners.**

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Magnolia Ave. Food Pantry | Wesley House             | Angel Tree                       |
| Breakthrough              | Wesley House Food Pantry | Projects with A. L. Lotts        |
| Water Angels              | Wesley House Grannies    | Projects with Blue Grass Schools |



**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](http://www.eumcknox.org).

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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, or fill out our online form through the QR Code here. 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 so thankful you’re here!



MINISTRIES AT EBENEZER

We would love to help you get connected at Ebenezer!

ACTIVITIES FOR WOMEN

**Women’s Coffee**—Join the women of Ebenezer for coffee and conversation on Tuesdays at 10 am in the Community Room!  
**United Methodist Women**—Our UMW is open to all women of Ebenezer! They meet the third Thursday of the month at 10 am in the Community Room.  
**Morning Glories**—Join other women of the church as they read and discuss their current book “Chasing Vines” by Beth Moore. They meet the first Thursday of the month at 10 am in the Community Room.  
**WaTT**—Join us for WaTT, Walk and Talk Together! They meet weekly to take a walk, then have lunch. They meet on Wednesdays at 10:30 am in the parking lot.

CONNECTION FOR MEN

**Men’s Coffee**—Men, come drink your Thursday morning coffee with other men of Ebenezer. They meet every Thursday at 9 am in the Annex.  
**Men’s Breakfast**—Join the men’s monthly breakfast on the second Sunday of the month at 7:30 am in the Community Room.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES AT EBENEZER FOR FELLOWSHIP & CONNECTION

**Veteran’s Breakfast**—This monthly, free breakfast is for all veterans, active duty soldiers, and their guests. Join them on Saturday, May 17, at 8 am, in St. Clair Hall.  
**Lunch Bunch**—Join us on the third Tuesday of the month in St. Clair Hall at 12 pm for a meal and a guest speaker! Bring a covered dish to share!  
**Qigong With Mona**—This free class is every Tuesday at 11 am in the Main Lobby.  
**Yoga With Tammy**—This free class is every Monday at 6 pm in the Main Lobby.  
**Choir**—The choir rehearses every Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Reach out to our Music Director Carroll Logan with questions at carrollbrenda@comcast.net  
**Helping Hands**— A ministry that helps with handyman projects for those in need. Reach out to Ken Pearson at kenpearson8905@gmail.com for more information.  
**Daybreak**—A ministry for our adult friends with autism. We meet on the second Thursday of the month at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary.  
**Prayer Team**—We meet every other Tuesday at 6:30 pm on Zoom to pray together for our church, community, and nation. Email Anita at als2531@bellsouth.net to join.  
**Volunteering or donating to a ministry partner**—Ebenezer supports many ministries, including Water Angel, Magnolia Ave. Food Pantry, and Wesley House.

FOOD MINISTRIES

**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 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)

**MONDAY, APRIL 21—OFFICE CLOSED**  
6:00 pm—Yoga with Tammy (Lobby)  
6:00 pm—Cub Scout Special Meeting (St. Clair Hall)

**TUESDAY, APRIL 22**  
10:00 am—Women’s Coffee (Community Room)  
10:00 am—Storytime with Mrs. Alicia (Power JAM)  
11:00 am—Qigong with Mona (Lobby)  
3:00 pm—Farmers’ Market (Parking Lot)  
5:00 pm—KSO Youth Chamber Music Rehearsals (Sanctuary, various locations)  
6:30 pm—Prayer Team Meeting (Zoom)

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23**  
10:30 am—WaTT (Parking Lot)  
5:30 pm—Pastor Tim’s Bible Study (Fellowship Classroom)  
6:30 pm—Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

**THURSDAY, APRIL 24**  
9:00 am—Men’s Coffee (Annex)  
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 25**  
5:00 pm—Brownie Troop Meeting (Annex)

**SATURDAY, APRIL 26**  
12:30 pm—Prayer Team Lunch (Saturday at 12:30 pm at Seasons Innovative Grill)  
2:00 pm—AA Anniversary Dinner (Sanctuary, St. Clair Hall)

**SUNDAY, APRIL 27**  
9:00 am—Celebration Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
10:00 am—Sunday School (Various Locations)  
11:00 am—Heritage Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
4:00 pm—Spring Festival (Soccer Field)

**FARMERS’ MARKET—TUESDAYS**  
Join us every Tuesday starting at 3 pm in the parking lot for the Farmers’ Market! This event features fresh produce, baked goods, bath and body care products, fresh-cut flowers, locally-raised meats and eggs, arts and crafts, and more. For more information on the market or to reach out to someone with specific questions, visit easttnfarmmarkets.com.



**BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR TIM**  
Join us for our last "Flawed to Faithful: Journeying with Peter this Lent” class this Wednesday. We meet at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Classroom.

**AA MEETINGS AT EBENEZER—THURSDAYS**  
Ebenezer is proud to host the AA East TN Group on Thursday nights at 7 pm! During their meeting, they have groups for AA, Al-Anon and Alateen. If you have questions about AA, contact Krisa Brown at krisa81@yahoo.com. If you have questions about Al-Anon, contact Kathleen Feeney at 917-771-1201. If you have questions about Alateen, contact Tracey Chainey at tchainey@gmail.com.



**YOUTH PROGRAMMING AT EBENEZER**  
*Our Youth Ministry is for youth 6th—12th grade. If you have questions about our Youth Ministry, reach out to Pastor Austin Byerly at abyerly@eumcknox.org.*  
**Sunday School**—Youth Sunday School meets on Sundays at 10 am in the Annex. Please note, there will not be Sunday School today because of Easter services. Join us next week instead!  
**Youth Group**—Join us on Sunday nights from 5—7 pm for fellowship, food, and fun times! We meet in the church Annex (we won’t meet tonight because of Easter). Our next meeting will be May 4.

GRADUATE SUNDAY

We are celebrating our graduates on 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 **by Monday, April 28**.



**CHILDREN’S PROGRAMMING AT EBENEZER**  
*If you have questions about our Children’s Ministry, reach out to Alicia Wilson, Children’s Director, at childrensministry@eumcknox.org*  
**Nursery**—An infant and toddler nursery is provided from 9 am—12 pm on Sunday mornings. Worship worry-free, as Mrs. Sherry cares for your little ones.



**Sunday School**—10 am on Sunday mornings. There is always something exciting planned for Sunday School as Miss 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!

**Storytime With Mrs. Alicia**—On Tuesdays at 10 am, bring your little ones for a fun-filled morning of stories, songs, and crafts. Everyone is welcome!

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY: SPRING FESTIVAL ON APRIL 27, 4—6 PM

Join us for our Spring Festival! Spring is in the air, and we’re celebrating with fun, games, crafts, and activities! This is a free event for the community, so invite your friends, bring your family, and come celebrate spring from **4—6 pm next Sunday!**

**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!



**VBS AT EBENEZER—JUNE 16-19**  
Join God's Team this summer at Vacation Bible School! Get ready for four afternoons of faith-filled fun, games, music, and Bible adventures. Kids ages 4 through 5th grade are invited to join us **June 16—19 from 6—8 pm**. Scan the QR code to sign up a child or volunteer today — and don’t forget to invite a friend!

ALTAR FLOWERS

We invite you to bring flowers for the altar on Sunday mornings! Sign up on the calendar in the lobby (on the double doors behind the volunteer desk) to place flowers on the altar in honor or remembrance of someone important to you, or a special event in your life.



**GROUNDS MAINTENANCE**  
We are looking for volunteers to commit to grounds maintenance for one hour per week for a month doing things like mowing, weed eating, trimming, etc. If you’re interested, contact John Wilson at bridgtnjon@comcast.net or (865) 456-1917.