

Heritage Worship Service

June 1, 2025
11:00 am

Prelude.....How Great Thou Art.....arr. Bob Ralston
Wendy Kitts, Piano, and Edward Pierce, Organ

Welcome and Opening Prayer.....Rev. Austin Byerly

*Opening Hymn.....Praise to the Lord, the Almighty v.1-3.....UMH 139

Affirmation of Faith.....Apostle’s Creed.....UMH 881

*Gloria Patri.....Glory Be to the Father.....UMH 70

*Hymn.....Blessed Assurance.....UMH 369

Scripture Reading.....Psalm 139:1-6, 13-16.....Rev. Austin Byerly

Anthem.....Bread of the World.....Mary McDonald

Offering Moment

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music.....To God Be the Glory.....arr. Mark Hayes
Wendy Kitts and Edward Pierce, Piano

Message.....Recalculating: God's Plan for Your Prosperity.....Rev. Tim Paul

Holy Communion.....Rev. Austin Byerly
Prayer of Confession & Pardon
The Great Thanksgiving
The Lord’s Prayer
Breaking of the Bread
The Giving of the Bread & Cup

*Closing Hymn.....Bread of the World.....UMH 624

*Benediction.....Rev. Tim Paul

Postlude.....Sortie on Now Let Us Rejoice.....arr. F.D. Ashdown
Edward Pierce, Organ

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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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RECALCULATING

For I know the plans I have
for you,” declares the Lord...

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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 Mom’s Room** in the Children’s Wing. We’re so thankful you’re here!



Pastor Mike serving communion in Uganda

PASTOR MIKE’S FIRST SUNDAY IS JULY 6!

Pastor Mike’s first Sunday with Ebenezer will be Sunday, July 6. On this Sunday, we will have **one Combined Service at 10 am, followed by our Church-Wide Picnic!** This will be a time to meet and connect with Pastor Mike and his wife Lori, and each other! More details to come on this as we get closer to July. We pray for Pastor Mike and Lori as they begin their pastoral transition to our church! May God empower us to grow as a community, reflect His light, and share His love during this season of renewal and transformation.

Pastor Mike and Lori are originally from Gray, Tennessee. Pastor Mike met Lori in the youth group at church, and they have now been married for 42 years. They have two grown children, a son, Josh, and a daughter, Katie. He is currently serving in his seventh appointment as Director of Connectional Ministries for the Holston Conference. It is clear that he loves God and others, and is welcoming of everyone, just like our hearts here at EUMC! Also, join us at our next **Lunch Bunch on July 15 to hear a special talk from Pastor Mike on his life in missions!**

BE PRAYING FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE THIS WEEK

Annual Conference starts today! This year’s theme, “Together in New Beginnings,” reminds us of our shared calling to move forward as one body in Christ. Inspired by Romans 12:5, we look ahead with hope and unity as our churches step into a renewed season of ministry and mission. We encourage you to take some time to pray for the Conference—lift up our clergy, lay members, and conference leaders as they worship, celebrate, and discern God’s direction. May the Holy Spirit guide us all into deeper connection, faithful service, and bold new beginnings.

THANK YOU FOR HANDS ON MISSION PROJECT!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our bucket collection for Zimbabwe and the Ishe Anesu Ministry! Your generosity and service has made and is making a difference in lives across the world!

Get Involved In A Ministry!

Partner With Us In Prayer—We’ll meet via Zoom on **Tuesday, June 3, at 6:30 pm.** To join or submit a prayer request, contact Anita Sharp.

Magnolia Ave. Food Pantry—This month, we will collect **Peanut Butter** for Magnolia Ave. If you’d like to donate, drop your items off in the bin in the hallway by the office. The next distribution day at Magnolia Ave. is **Monday, June 23.**

Wesley House—Donate **canned goods** in the container in St. Clair Hall.

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, reach out to John Wilson.

Helping out in the Heritage Service/Serving communion at either service—Reach out to Pastor Austin!

Serve On A SUNDAY MORNING

Serving on the Tech Team – Reach out to our worship leader Todd Burkholder (burkholder.todd@gmail.com) or Meagan in the front office (office@eumcknox.org) for more information, no experience needed to serve!

THIS WEEK AT EBENEZER

SUNDAY, JUNE 1—FIRST DAY OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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)
2:00 pm—Water Angels

MONDAY, JUNE 2

6:00 pm—Yoga With Tammy

TUESDAY, JUNE 3

10:00 am—Storytime With Mrs. Alicia
10:00 am—Women’s Coffee (Community Room)
11:00 am—Qigong With Mona (Lobby)
3:00 pm—Farmers’ Market (Parking Lot)
6:30 pm—Prayer Team Meeting (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4

10:30 am—WaTT (Church parking lot)
6:30 pm—Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, JUNE 5

9:00 am—Men’s Coffee (Annex)
10:00 am—Morning Glories (Community Room)
7:00 pm—Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting (St. Clair Hall)
7:00 pm—Al-Anon Meeting (Community Room)
7:00 pm—Alateen Meeting (Annex)

FRIDAY, JUNE 6

SATURDAY, JUNE 7

SUNDAY, JUNE 8—PENTECOST SUNDAY & PASTOR TIM’S LAST SUNDAY

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)
3:00 pm—Drop-By Farewell Party For Tim & Cathy (St. Clair Hall)
5:00 pm—Youth Group (Annex)

WATER ANGELS—TODAY

We will be serving a meal at Water Angels this afternoon! If you’d like to volunteer, meet at the church at 2 pm. Thank you to everyone who donated chips and cookies!

MORNING GLORIES—THURSDAY

Women, join us this Thursday at 10 am in the Community Room for Morning Glories! Morning Glories is a women’s group that meets the first Thursday of every month for a time of community and book study. They are reading *Chasing Vines*.

MEN’S BREAKFAST—NEXT SUNDAY

Men, come enjoy a hearty breakfast together next Sunday morning at 7:30 am in the Community Room. You won’t want to miss it!

WEAR RED FOR PENTECOST—NEXT SUNDAY

Pentecost Sunday is next Sunday, and we invite everyone to wear red! Traditionally, the color red is worn on Pentecost Sunday to signify the presence of the Holy Spirit in our community and our unity in Christ. Join us in wearing red next Sunday!

FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR TIM & CATHY PAUL—NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday, June 8, UMW will be hosting a farewell reception for Tim and Cathy, as June 8 is his last Sunday. They will be serving cake and punch in St. Clair Hall from 3 –5 pm; **everyone is invited to stop in and visit with Tim and Cathy at any point during this time.** There will also be a memory box where guests can add notes or gift cards for Tim and Cathy. Please join us for this celebration of Tim and Cathy as we wish them the very best in their new appointment!

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.

Youth Group—We will not be meeting for Youth Group this week because of Annual Conference. Next week, we encourage you to stop by St. Clair Hall before Youth Group to say goodbye to Pastor Tim!

Upcoming Summer Activity—June 12 at Urban Air (9626 Kingston Pike), 6—8 pm

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



SUNDAY PROGRAMMING

Power JAM—9 am & 11 am (for Pre-K through 5th grade). This month's series is "Who is God the Father?" where we will learn that God shows us who He is all through the Bible. As we explore how God interacted with people in the past, we can discover how we can know and follow Him today."

Sunday School—10 am (for Pre-K through 5th grade). There is always something exciting planned for Sunday School as Miss 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). Worship worry-free as we care for your little ones during service and Sunday School!

TUESDAY PROGRAMMING

Storytime With Mrs. Alicia—Tuesdays at 10 am. Bring your little ones to the Children’s Wing for a fun-filled morning of stories, songs, and crafts. Everyone is welcome—come connect, learn, and grow with our community!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!
JUNE 16-19



Get ready for four evenings 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, or go to our website (eumcknox.org), Programs, Children’s Programs, and scroll down to Vacation Bible School. We can’t wait to celebrate Jesus with our kids at VBS! Questions? Reach out to Alicia Wilson.

SNACKS FOR VBS

We are in need of individually bagged chips, rice Krispie treats, teddy grahams, goldfish, Oreos, pretzel sticks, fruit cups, and juice boxes/caprisuns for VBS on June 16-19. If you are able to donate, brings your items to the Children’s Wing.

2025	April	YTD
Actual General Fund Income	\$48,292.08	\$214,025.74
Budgeted General Fund Income	\$59,530.00	\$238,120.00
General Fund Giving— Under Budget	-\$11,237.92	-\$24,094.26
Actual Building Fund Income	\$8,617.70	\$45,163.47
Budgeted Building Fund Income <i>(based on mortgage)</i>	\$14,830.71	\$59,322.84
Building Fund Giving— Under Budget	-\$6,213.01	-\$14,159.37
Mission Giving <i>(includes Holston Conference Tithe and Smoky Mountain District Apportionment)</i>	\$5,996.90	\$28,592.44