

Pentecost Sunday
Heritage Worship Service

June 8, 2025
11:00 am

Prelude.....Meditation on Come Holy Ghost.....arr. John Barr
Edward Pierce, Organ

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

*Opening Hymn.....To God Be the Glory.....UMH 98

Responsive Reading.....Rev. Austin Byerly
Spirit of the Living God, who came with fire and wind at Pentecost, come now and stir
our hearts again. **Come, Holy Spirit. Move among us with power and peace.** You gave
birth to the Church and filled your people with courage. Fill us again for the road
ahead. **In every change and every new beginning, lead us in hope.** God has promised:
“I know the plans I have for you...plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to
give you a future full of hope.” **We trust your promise, for ourselves, and for this
church we love. Spirit of God, fall fresh on us. Send us forward with faith. Amen.**

*Hymn.....And Can It Be v.1,3,5.....UMH 363

Choral Introduction to Scripture Reading

Scripture Reading.....Acts 2:1-21.....Rev. Austin Byerly

Anthem.....Great Is Thy Faithfulness.....arr. John Purifoy

Offering Moment

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

Special Music.....Prayer of Mother Theresa.....Craig Courtney
Kathryn Paden, Soprano

Message.....Recalculating: A Future Full of Hope.....Rev. Tim Paul

*Closing Hymn.....Softly and Tenderly, Jesus is Calling v.1,4.....UMH 348

Recognition of Pastor Tim.....A Tribute.....Carlos Ichter
Heritage Choir

*Benediction.....Rev. Austin Byerly & Mona Hayes

Postlude.....In Christ There Is No East or West.....arr. Edward Pierce
Edward Pierce, Organ

*The altar flowers are given today by Lisa Houston
in memory of Ward Whitfield Houston.*

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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*Thank you for all you have done
for Ebenezer, Pastor Tim and Cathy!*



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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. 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 youth group, 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!**

CHURCH-WIDE PICNIC—SUNDAY, JULY 6 (SIGN-UP SHEET IN LOBBY)

We will be having our Church-Wide Picnic on Sunday, July 6! We will have One Combined Service this Sunday at 10 am with our picnic immediately following the service. The picnic will be outside near the Annex in the Picnic Area; make sure to bring a lawn chair with you! Our Men’s Club will be providing hamburgers and hot dogs for the picnic, and our Men’s Quartet with Wendy and Edward will be blessing us in music during the picnic! What a fun and exciting way to welcome Pastor Mike and his wife Lori to Ebenezer, as this will be their first Sunday with us! We need your help by bringing side dishes and desserts, and volunteering on the day of the picnic.



There is a sign-up sheet in the lobby with specific foods we need; stop by on Sunday to sign up! We are also in need of volunteers to help set up, tear down, and clean up; you can sign up for a time slot to volunteer for one of these needs.

Get Involved In A Ministry!

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 (mowing, etc.). If you can help, contact John Wilson.

Helping Hands—Reach out to Ken Pearson to learn more.

Helping out with readings in the Heritage Service/Serving communion at 9 am or 11 am—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 8—PENTECOST SUNDAY & PASTOR TIM & CATHY’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)

MONDAY, JUNE 9

6:00 pm—Yoga With Tammy

TUESDAY, JUNE 10

10:00 am—Storytime With Mrs. Alicia
10:00 am—Women’s Coffee (Community Room)
11:00 am—Qigong With Mona (Lobby)
12:00 pm—Lunch Bunch (St. Clair Hall)
3:00 pm—Farmers’ Market (Parking Lot)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

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

THURSDAY, JUNE 12

9:00 am—Men’s Coffee (Annex)
10:30 am—Daybreak (Sanctuary, St. Clair Hall)
6:00 pm—Youth Event: Urban Air (9626 Kingston Pike),
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 13

5:00 pm—AA Speaker Event (St. Clair Hall)

SATURDAY, JUNE 14

SUNDAY, JUNE 15—FATHER’S DAY & CASUAL SUMMER SUNDAYS BEGIN



9:00 am—Celebration Service (Sanctuary)
10:00 am—Sunday School (Various Locations)
11:00 am—Heritage Service (Sanctuary)

FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR TIM & CATHY PAUL—TODAY

Ebenezer’s UMW will be hosting a farewell reception for Tim and Cathy this afternoon. 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!



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! Make sure to bring a covered dish and a friend for this great program!

DAYBREAK—THURSDAY

We look forward to hosting our adult friends with autism on Thursday at 10:30 am for a morning of worship, activities, and lunch! If you are interested in serving, be at the church at 9:30 am. If you have questions about Daybreak, contact Debbie Norris.

CASUAL SUMMER SUNDAYS—STARTING NEXT SUNDAY

Starting next Sunday, we are continuing our tradition of Casual Summer Sundays! June through August, we encourage you to attend service in your casual summer attire (shorts, flip flops, et cetera). Come just as you are, and engage in and enjoy Sunday worship before heading to your summer adventures!

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 meet from 5—7 pm in the Annex. Stop by St. Clair Hall before Youth Group to say goodbye to Pastor Tim and Cathy!

Upcoming Summer Activity: June 12—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) to find the registration link on our home page. We can’t wait to celebrate Jesus with our kids at VBS!

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.

WALK AND TALK TOGETHER—WEDNESDAYS

WaTT (Walk and Talk Together) meets every Wednesday at 10:30 in the church parking lot, weather permitting. Join a wonderful group of folks for an easy walk and lunch after! Like lightbulbs wattages vary, so do individual energy levels, so this group will walk in parks and on paths that encourage various levels of interest and ability, with places to sit and enjoy nature. They hope to “let their lights shine” by sharing experiences and supporting each other in life’s walk.

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.

