

EBENEZER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, May 23, 2021

Prelude		
Lighting of the Altar Candles		
Welcome and Announcements	Pastor Rebecca	
Opening Song:	<i>“Come, Now is the Time”</i>	
Time for the Children		
Offertory	<i>“Hosanna”</i>	Praise Team
Joys and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer		
Scripture:	<i>Acts 2:1-21</i>	
Message:	<i>“Move, Spirit, Move!”</i>	Pastor Rebecca
Closing Song:	<i>“How Great is Our God”</i>	
Benediction		

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory forever.
Amen

We extend a very warm welcome to all who
are worshiping with us today.

PRG Needs Volunteers

Ebenezer is establishing our Post-COVID Reentry Group (PRG) in response to Bishop Lewis’s announcement that “by July 1st, all major decision-making for mitigation methods will revert to local churches.”

We have three volunteers so far, but need several more to help decide what steps Ebenezer should take to keep our church healthy. If you are willing to serve, please see Pastor Rebecca.

Flock Immunity

As announced in last week’s bulletin (available in the bin on the church bulletin board), recently changed Virginia Conference rules for COVID mitigation now refer to “fully vaccinated” congregants. We are seeking to reach “Flock Immunity,” which should be when 85% to 90% (or thereabouts) of our congregation is vaccinated. If willing, please let Pastor Rebecca or Bobbie Bauldock know that you have been vaccinated.

Last Sunday, we had a Flock Immunity level of 55%. Please help us reach our goal by reporting your status. Information on individuals will not be shared, just used to compute our Flock Immunity level.

Other Items...

Pastor Rebecca will be on vacation from May 24 through June 6. Pastor Bob Gochenour, Carmel UMC, will be “on call” as needed; you can reach him at (757) 819-7889.

Budget Update through May 16th

From the Finance Committee Chair: While Ebenezer finished 2020 financially in the black, thanks to our cheerful givers, the continuing difficulties accompanying the pandemic have resulted in Ebenezer’s 2021 expenditures exceeding our income so far. Please pray that we can meet our ministry needs. Your offerings help so many!

2021 General Fund Budget	\$ 131,782.00
Weekly Need for 2021	\$ 2,534.00
Offering May 16 th	\$ 1,176.00
Weekly Average to Date	\$ 1,791.25

VOICE FROM THE PEW

PRAYER REQUESTS

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COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS