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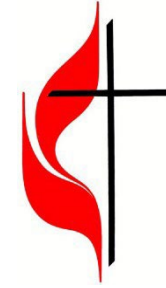
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*Rev. Judith A. Emerson, Pastor  
Linda Bange, Music Director/Organist*

**8:30 AM and 11:00 AM**

**Order of Worship  
January 19, 2025**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany**

WELCOME

*Welcome to Ebenezer United Methodist Church. We are blessed by your presence. It is our hope that this time of worship will be a blessing to all. Please begin in silent prayer.*

PRELUDE

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 36:5-10

Your steadfast love, O God, extends to the heavens.

**Your faithfulness to the clouds.**

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains.

**Your judgments are like the great deep; O God.**

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

**All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

OPENING HYMN

*"He Has Made Me Glad"*

TFWS No. 2270

OPENING PRAYER

**Lord God Almighty, you created us, and we praise you for your presence in our lives. Your name is above any other name in the universe. We cannot count all the blessings you have provided for us. As we worship today, we pray that you fill our hearts, minds and souls with your abundance. Transform us that we may be more like you. Open our ears to hear from you and our hearts to receive from you. In Jesus name, we pray. Amen.**

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Let us now offer to God and each other the truth as we lift our prayers of confession.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving and gracious God, you are so patient with us. We run away, and you seek us. We make foolish choices, and you teach us a better way. We hurt you and others, and instead of hurting us back, you forgive us. Help us, we pray; help us reveal your glory and goodness in our living, that we will bear the imprint of Christ throughout the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Hear the Good News: The mercy of God is from everlasting to everlasting. Let us proclaim the Good News: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.*

EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

*For Paul, spirituality means the ongoing reality and work of the Holy Spirit in believers' lives, both individually and corporately.*

GOSPEL LESSON

John 2:1-11

*The changing of water into wine is Jesus' first public act in John, the inaugural "sign" of God's presence in the world through him.*

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

HYMN

*"In His Time"*

TFWS No. 2203

SERMON

**"Pay Attention!"**

*Rev. Judy Emerson*

HYMN

*"Blessed Assurance"*

UMH No. 369

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Requests

Pastoral Prayer

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

THE GIFTS OF THE PEOPLE

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Offertory (11:00 AM)

*"Praise Ye the Lord"*

*Chancel Choir*

\*Presentation of Gifts

\*Doxology

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

UMH No. 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Loving God, we acknowledge that our gifts are to be used for your glory alone. Help us to offer them this week so that others may be encouraged to share abundantly. We are honored and humbled by the responsibility of being good stewards of your Kingdom. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

HYMN

*"Just a Closer Walk with Thee"*

TFWS No. 2158

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE