

*August 21, 2016*



***Eastport United Methodist Church  
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# **Welcome to Eastport United Methodist Church**

where we share our experiences of God's Kingdom with all,  
through our faith, love, fellowship, and service.

Our vision is to have everyone actively involved in worship that  
enriches, ministries that empower, and evangelism that embraces all.

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## **Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

August 21, 2016

10:00 a.m.

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### **Gathering Music**

#### **Welcome**

#### **Songs of Praise**

*O God of Every Nation* – UMH 435

*You are My All in All*

#### **Prayer**

#### **Passing of the Peace**

#### **Children's Time**

#### **Prayers of the People**

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

#### **Special Music**

*Give Me Jesus*

Jim Wilcox

**Hymn of Illumination**  
*The Summons, v. 1,2 – TFWS 2130*

**\*Scripture Reading**  
Matthew 20: 1-16

**Witness to the Word**  
“Who Actually Wins?”  
Pastor Beth Ludlum

**Communion Hymns**  
*Amazing Grace – UMH 378*  
*Spirit Song – UMH 347*

**Sharing of Gifts & Prayer**  
The Unified Budget & Heaven Cent Basket for UMCOR  
Prays Band

**\*Closing Praise**  
*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me – TFWS 2153*

**\*Blessing**

**\*Praise Song to Send Us Forth**

\*Please stand as you are able.

Participation last Sunday: 74



## Thanksgiving

OUR GRADUATES HEADING FOR COLLEGE

## State, Country & World

FLOODING IN THE U.S.

### Our Homebound Members

Leona Bergsman, Lois Bliss, Esther Gannaway, Norman Jones,  
Betty Owen, Betty Storton, Nadine Clark, Ernie Mutschler, Elaine Hollidayoke



### August Prayer List



A new list will start on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Please use the yellow prayer cards in the pews for your prayer requests, or call/email the church office.

**Please be aware: we will print concerns in the bulletin only if that box is checked on prayer card, or if you have notified us. We want to respect the privacy of individuals.**

**Linda & Will Dudley** (friends of Jackie C.)  
**Steve Duckett** (member)  
**Bill Malamphy** (member)  
**Dick Strucko** (member)  
**Tammy Lesley** (member)  
**Mary Jones** (member)  
**Dixie Reichel** (member)  
**Lindsey Guy** (friend of Tammy Lesley)  
**The Jordan Family** (June & Butch's family)

**Ben Pardew** (nephew of Valerie Devaris)  
**Nancy, Abdulai, Divine Swaray** (friends)  
**Francis Bond** (Charlotte Kerns' cousin)  
**James Brown** (the Lesleys' friend)  
**Earl (Gene) King** (Art King's brother)  
**Wanda Kauffman** (Annabelle King's sister)  
**Shirley Koetting** (Art King's sister)  
**David Durkee** (Jerry Lesley's brother)  
**"My friend's grandmother"** (Cierra Ploof)

Requesting prayers for the family and friends of Robbie Babbit, our friend who passed away unexpectedly on Saturday. Robbie leaves her husband, three teenage children, and three adult step-children. Thank you, Neil Bergsman

### Birthdays this Week

August 21 – Joyce Conley  
August 22 – Jeff Conley  
August 23 – Rawle Green  
August 26 – Daniel Mejia  
August 27 – Dave Wheeler



### Anniversaries this Week

August 21 – Tom & Elizabeth Eicher  
August 22 – Sharon & Ed Owen

### EVENTS THIS WEEK

August 23 – Administrative Council meeting 6:15pm

August 24 – Out to Lunch Bunch 12:15 at Sammy's  
Outreach/Evangelism 6:30pm

August 25 – Gracious Greetings 1:30pm

August 28 - Prayer Team 1:00pm; Deadline for Spire articles



Thank you to those who helped load up the backpacks with school supplies: Jackie Cunningham, who organized it, Brian Cunningham, Audrey Howard, Myrna Dobbs, Harriet Macey, Sonny & Shirley Owen, Ann Rawls

**The September edition of The Spire deadline is August 28th.** Please send articles to Eunice by this date. We are coming into fall with this issue, and back to a regular schedule, so be sure to include information and reminders on meetings and other activities that will be happening soon. Thank you.

The Swarays – Nancy, Abdulai, and little Divine will be leaving the Maryland area at the end of August. We invite you to sign a “We’ll Miss You” card in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup> and August 28<sup>th</sup> and also contribute to a monetary gift that will be presented to them prior to their departure. We have been blessed to have this family with us for close to two years. The reason for the move is that the family wants to be together again as Abdulai finishes his studies at Ramapo College in Mahwah, New Jersey and because of very limited finances little Divine and Nancy have had to remain in this area.

**Small Group Bible Studies** – We would love to have one or more small **discussion** groups start up in the fall. For that to happen, we need facilitators: just someone to get the ball rolling, because when we do this kind of getting together, once the ball is rolling, the participants sort of take it from there. There is usually never any long silences unless it is intentional. Form a group, **share the role of facilitator**, by rotating. The topic doesn't have to be BIBLE, and it doesn't have to be a STUDY. Wendy has many resources in the office, in case you need some ideas. Think and pray about it. Thanks.

## Looking Ahead



UMW meetings will begin again on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>. All women are encouraged and sincerely invited to join this special group in their ministries and fellowship.

**Sunday school start up – September 11<sup>th</sup>!!** Consider volunteering to lead the children in their Christian education. It is not difficult...ask Jacqueline Ploof, or Jean Strucko for more information. The Deep Blue (Kids Bible) Curriculum is used, and all the lessons are outlined. This is intended only as a guide; you are welcome to design classes that compliment your individual talents. As always, Jacqueline is happy to offer suggestions or design a lesson for you. Just call 703.863.1275.

Church picnic – September 18<sup>th</sup> We have always had beautiful days at Bay Ridge Community Center. We will have good food, good fellowship, moon bounce and games for kids of all ages, and fun for all.

Charge Conference – Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8pm at St. Andrews UMC. Please mark your calendars, especially church leaders who will be required to submit forms and/or reports. You will be notified soon. Thank you.

