

*Elkton
United Methodist Church*



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"A place to know Jesus, be known by Jesus, and make Him known to others."

Elkton United Methodist Church

Sunday, July 17, 2016

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

8:30 a.m. † 11:00 a.m.

- Before the service begins, please give your white prayer request card to an usher.
 - Please see an usher if you would like to have a large print bulletin or hymnal.
 - All worshipers are asked to sign the attendance register. If you are a guest, please fill out all the information. As the register is passed back down the pew, make note of those sitting near you so you can greet them after the service.
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LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES AND RINGING OF CHIMES

GREETING AND WELCOME

TIME OF CENTERING PRAYER

AND PRELUDE..... “PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY SETTING BY J. CARTER

SUNG RESPONSE #2164 (TFWS)..... “SANCTUARY”

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

**CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Leader: Come, let us worship Almighty God.

People: Let us lift up our songs, our prayers, our praises.

Leader: Come, let us honor Christ Jesus.

People: Let us love Christ with our hearts, our minds, our spirits.

Leader: Come, let us be filled with the Spirit of the Living God.

All: Breathe on us, breath of God.

**HYMN #67 (UMH) “WE, THY PEOPLE, PRAISE THEE”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Almighty and merciful God, we come to you a wayward people. Too often, we have forgotten your intentions for us; we have rejected the way of Christ, we have disregarded the power of your Spirit; and we have worshiped ourselves and the things we have made. Forgive us, restore us in the knowledge of whose we are, and make us alive to serve you with faith, hope, and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

MUSICAL OFFERING – (8:30 & 11:00) TYLER BJERKE

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, PSALM 34:1-6 (page 508)

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GOSPEL LESSON, LUKE 8:40-49 (page 68)

Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

****RESPONSE #454 (UMH) “OPEN MY EYES”**

**Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!**

**SERMON..... “I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST REV. KAREN F. BUNNELL
WHO STRENGTHENS ME: II - FIGHT”**

****HYMN #513 (UMH) “SOLDIERS OF CHRIST, ARISE”**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

**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.**

RESPONSE #2215 (TFWS) “CARES CHORUS”

**I cast all my cares upon you, I lay all of my burdens down at your feet,
and anytime that I don't know what to do, I will cast all my cares upon you.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO OFFERING AND OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY “HERE I AM, LORD” ARR. BY J. SCHRADER

****OFFERTORY RESPONSE, #94 (UMH) .. “PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW”**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

****HYMN #374 (UMH)..... “STANDING ON THE PROMISES”**

****DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

****CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, bind us together in love.

POSTLUDE “PRAISE HIM! PRAISE HIM!” ARR. BY M. HAYES



****Indicates the congregation should stand if able**

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal (red cover)

TFWS: The Faith We Sing (black cover) - found in the rack underneath the pew in front of you

W&S: Worship & Song (green cover)

***Your entry to this service constitutes implied consent to be photographed/videoed and to have those photos/videos published. If you are uncomfortable with EUMC using a photo or video of you, please contact the church office at 410-398-0933.**



STAFF OF ELKTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**Peggy Johnson, Bishop
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Karen F. Bunnell..... Senior Pastor
Ray Graham Associate Pastor of Visitation Ministries
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Steven Gilmore Choir Director
Katie Sparks Director of Children and Education Ministries
Kay Mortimer Secretary
Bill Vassalotti..... Treasurer
Sandy Wherry Director of Youth
Sharon Williams..... Organist/Coordinator of Music Ministries
Donald Ewing/Donna Horgan..... Sextons

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leader: Bethany Buckley

Readers: 8:30 – Joe Buckley 11:00 – Gretchen Ginder

Acolytes: 8:30 – Nate Kovicak 11:00 – Julianna Swyka

Greeters: 8:30 – Carol and Don Frye 11:00 – Nadine Allen and
Denise Cimososi

Welcome Center:

8:10-8:30 & 10:40-11:00 &
9:30-9:50 – Ellen Gruebel 12:00-12:20 – Donna Perkins

Hostesses: 8:30 – The DiSciullo Family 11:00 – Liz Hook

Hall Monitors: 8:30 – Barb Pinder 11:00 – Rich Juergens

Nursery: 8:30 – Paige Laning 11:00 – TBD

Tech Team: 8:30 – Rich Juergens and 11:00 – Roger Robinson and
Jamie Laning Damien Hollyday

Parking Lot

Knights: Kevin White, Wayne Eller, Ken McCoy, Bob Perkins, Gary Lewis,
Rod Perrine and Jack Williams.

Ushers: 8:30 – Gifford Biles, Murray Thompson, Rich Gruebel, Nancy
Crawford,
Keith McKenica, Irving Webber, Henry Jacobs and Wayne
Eller.

11:00 – Frank Deibert, Charlie Campbell, Ken McCoy, Sid Bledsoe,
Ron
Fetterolf and Bob Perkins.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are in loving memory of Anne Dalrymple given by Bob, Deb,
Ben and Ed

FLOWERS ON THE PIANO are in memory of Billy Halsey given by Hobert and Carol
Halsey

AVAILABLE ALL MORNING – Nursery care is available during this morning's worship
services. The nursery is located in Rooms 22-24 and is staffed by Yolanda Gomez, a
professional childcare worker, assisted by volunteers from our congregation. One of
our ushers can guide you there. New children are welcome! Also, please know that it
is perfectly fine to leave the worship service with your child if they become restless or

unhappy. Your child will be happier and those seated around you will appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Announcements

WELCOME GUESTS! We welcome all to worship at Elkton UMC this morning, and extend a special welcome to all who are visiting with us this morning. Please fill out the blue visitor card located in the pew racks. We also have a gift for all first-time visitors to our church. It is available from the welcome center or from the ushers in the foyer. If you are a first-time visitor and wish to receive the gift, just speak to one of the ushers as you're leaving the worship service this morning, and they will see that you receive one! Once again, welcome to worship at Elkton UMC!

WELCOME GUEST MUSICIAN ROB HAZEL! We welcome Rob Hazel to our service this morning as he substitutes for Sharon who's enjoying some vacation time. Rob is a retired Cecil County music teacher, and a member of the Providence Brass Quintet, who helped us celebrate our nation on July 3rd. Welcome Rob, and thanks for providing beautiful music this morning!

COPIES OF TODAY'S SERMON/VIDEO OF TODAY'S SERMON – Several persons with hearing difficulties have found it helpful to have a copy of the sermon and read along as it is preached, therefore copies are now available from the ushers should you wish to have one. Videos of the sermon are now being posted on-line as well. To see a video, go the church website, elktonumc.org and click on the "Sermons" link and there you will see a link to our YouTube Channel where you can view all our recorded services.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL THANKS – Thanks to all who helped make this week's Vacation Bible School such a great success. The children had a great time learning about God's love, and they put their love into action in a mighty way through their mission project. Many, many thanks to all of the adults and youth who helped – VBS wouldn't have been possible without you!

MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST – July's Men's Breakfast is this Wednesday, July 20th at 6:30 a.m. at the Elkton Diner. All men in the church are invited to attend. The breakfast lasts just an hour, but it's a great time of food, fellowship and fun! No need to sign up ahead of time, just show up on Wednesday!

CLASSIC CHRISTIANS' PICNIC – The Classic Christians will have their annual summer picnic on Friday, August 5th at 4 p.m. at the home of Betty and Ed Sprague in North East. All Classic Christians (age 50 and over) are invited. Hot dogs, hamburgers, rolls and beverages will be provided. You're invited to bring a side dish or dessert to share, a lawn chair, and a bathing suit if you want to swim in their beautiful pool! Sign up for the picnic on the sheet across from the Welcome Center.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2016

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM..... Worship Services

8:30 AM-1200 PM..... Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten
(Rm. 24)

MONDAY, JULY 18, 2016

6:00 PM..... Cub Scouts (Weldin Hall)

TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2016

6:30 PM..... Communications Committee Meeting (Conf. Room)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 2016

6:30 AM Men's Breakfast (Elkton Diner)

6:15 PM..... Weekly Communion

THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2016

5:00 PM..... Relay for Life Committee Meeting (Weldin Hall)

8:00 PM..... AA Meeting (Room 1)

