

*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 31, 2016
Eleventh 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 “PRELUDE IN D MAJOR” FISCHER

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: I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of the Living God.

People: This is the day when we rejoice in God's act of creation.

Leader: This is our sabbath, when we rejoice in the resurrection of Jesus the Christ.

People: We give thanks that once more, God has brought us together, that we might refresh one another.

All: Peace to all who enter here, peace this day and every day, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**HYMN #102 (UMH) “NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Caring and compassionate God, we enter this place set apart for your worship, knowing that we have failed to see you in other places. We have ignored your beauty around us, in earth and sky, in plants and creatures, in the people who surround us. We have chosen to live more by our fears than by our faith, to be weighed down by what we do not have, rather than rejoicing in your gifts to us. In these moments together, draw us so close that we cannot help but know every day

that you are with us, wherever we go. Enlarge our capacity to care, so we may see you in all whom we meet. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

MUSICAL OFFERING – (8:30 & 11:00).....KRIS LEWMAN, VIOLIN

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, I SAMUEL 1:1-28 (pages 244 & 245)

MUSICAL OFFERING – (8:30 & 11:00).....KRIS LEWMAN, VIOLIN

GOSPEL LESSON, MATTHEW 6:5-13 (pages 5 & 6)

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: IV – PRAY!”

**HYMN #377 (UMH) “IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL”

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 “CHORALE POSTLUDE” ARR. BY LORENZ



****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!**

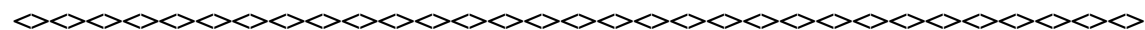
****HYMN #2189 (TFWS)“A MOTHER LINED A BASKET”**

****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 “ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS’ NAME” ARR. BY BIRCHWOOD



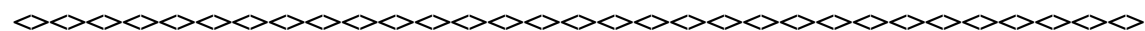
****Indicates the congregation should stand if able**

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.**



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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!

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 the You Tube site for our sermons.

REMINDER TO CLASSIC CHRISTIANS – Don't forget to sign up for the Classic Christians (age 50 and over) Picnic which will take place on Friday, August 5th at 4 p.m. at the home of Betty and Ed Sprague. It's important that everyone attending signs up so we'll have enough meat, rolls and beverages. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share, a lawn chair, and your bathing suit if you want to swim in the Sprague's beautiful pool! The sign-up sheet is on the table across from the Welcome Center.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT COMMUNION – Just a reminder that Holy Communion is offered every Wednesday night at 6:15 p.m. in the Chapel. All are welcome.

THANK YOU – I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, flowers, emails, phone calls and many acts of kindness through the long illness and eventual death of my mom, Bertha J. Sager. The kindness and support you gave to my family and myself exhibits the essence of Christianity. Sincerely, Barb Dean



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2016

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM..... Worship Services
8:30 AM-1200 PM..... Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten
(Rm. 24)

MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2016

6:00 PM..... Cub Scouts (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM..... Stewardship Committee Meeting (Conference Room)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2016

9:30 AM Staff Meeting (Room 1)
2:30 PM..... Elkton Rehab, Carol Robinson's Team

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 2016

6:00 PM..... Cub Scout Committee Meeting (Room 1)
6:15 PM..... Weekly Communion (Chapel)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2016

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 2016

4:00 PM..... Classic Christians' Annual Picnic (Sprague's House)



PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

your thoughtfulness.

Worship Leader: Mike Schmook

Readers: 8:30 – Linda Renshaw 11:00 – Liz Hook

Acolytes: 8:30 – Jack Kovicak 11:00 – Julian DiSciullo

**Greeters: 8:30 – Grace and Rich Achuff 11:00 – Nancy Fetterolf and
Liz Hook**

Welcome Center:

**8:10-8:30 & 10:40-11:00 &
9:30-9:50 – Gail Garber 12:00-12:20 – TBD**

**Hostesses: 8:30 – Carole Seifred and 11:00 – Ruth Loomis and
Pauline Eaton Fran Vassalotti**

Hall Monitors: 8:30 – Dave Sentman 11:00 – Carol Robinson

Nursery: 8:30 – Paige Laning 11:00 – Heidi Gaultney

**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 memory of Barbara VanSchaick given by her friend
Liz Brostrand.**

**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**

Let's Pack Backpacks!

The opening of school is just around the corner. We'd like to pack backpacks full of school supplies for children in our community who are in need. Please consider donating any of these items. We will be collecting supplies until Aug. 14th.

Thank you!

backpacks

pack of glue sticks

pocket folders

graph paper

composition books

pencil case

packs of #2 pencils

cap erasers

5-tab dividers

bar eraser

1½ and 2 inch 3-ring binders

pack of highlighters

pack of colored pencils

ball-point pens – red, blue or black

blunt point or student scissors

4-pack chisel-point dry erase markers

ruler with both centimeters and inches

white loose-leaf paper (wide-rule)