Elkton United Methodist Church Sunday, October 23, 2016 **Twenty-third 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.

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES AND RINGING OF CHIMES

GREETING AND WELCOME

TIME OF CENTERING PRAYER AND PRELUDE "BLESSING"......D. WAGNER

SUNG RESPONSE #2025 (TFWS)...... "AS THE DEER" As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you.

You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield.

You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

****CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)**

	Leader:	We are here because we have heard the call of Jesus in our lives.		
	People:	We are here to challenge and support one another to rise up and follow.		
	Leader:	We are here because we want to be God's people.		
	People:	We want to learn more about what it means to be the people of		
		God.		
	Leader:	We come, seeking to be moved, changed, and made whole by the		
Spirit				
		of the Living God.		
	People:	Let us open our hearts to the moving of the Spirit, and prepare to		
		leave this place as true disciples of Jesus Christ.		
**HYN	4N #122 (U	JMH)		

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Most Gracious God, we confess that we spend much of our lives on that which does not satisfy. We do not always count our time and resources as precious gifts, but too often squander them in meaningless activities and seemingly urgent needs. Look

kindly upon us, for the temptation to waste is overwhelming in our world. Enable us to understand what is important, and to use the gifts of life responsibly, for we want to be your people in word and in deed. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

MUSICAL OFFERING – (8:30 & 11:00) –....."LET PRAISE RING FORTH"ARR. BY PAUL DEEMER HANDBELL CHOIR

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, DEUTERONOMY 26:1-11 (pages 180 & 181)

**GOSPEL LESSON, MARK 12:41-44 (page 50) Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. People: Thanks be to God.

**HYMN #453 (UMH) "MORE LOVE TO THEE, O CHRIST"

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 –D. WAGNER	OFFERTORY"	'FUGUING TUNE"	D. WAGNER
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**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 #399 (UMH)..... "TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE"

****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.

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****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)

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