

Elkton United Methodist Church

Sunday, March 5, 2017

First Sunday in Lent

8:30 a.m. † 11:00 a.m.

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- 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 “PRAYER” BEETHOVEN

SUNG RESPONSE #3096 (W&S) “GENTLE SHEPHERD”

**Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way.
Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us, for we need your strength from day to day.
There’s no other we can turn to who can help us face another day;
Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Leader: In this season, we worship remembering Jesus’ death in love for us and all people.

People: Lent is a time of tears.

Leader: But out of tears, joy is born – the joy of sin forgiven, hope reborn.

People: We stand in awe of the God who brings joy out of tears, and life out of death. Let us worship with reverence.

**HYMN #269 (UMH) “LORD, WHO THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS”

PRAYER (in unison)

We come before you, O God, in the shadow of the cross, grateful for your great love for us. As you came to us in Jesus to win our love and obedience, reveal yourself among us still. Give us courage to follow Jesus over rocky hills where we carry our crosses and green valleys where you restore our souls. For we pray in the name of the Shepherd whose life was laid down for the sheep, Jesus our Lord. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING – (8:30) SID BLEDSOE, SOLOIST
(11:00) “IN REMEMBRANCE” CHANCEL CHOIR

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, GENESIS 2:15-17, 3:1-7 (pages 2 & 3)

**GOSPEL LESSON, MATTHEW 4:1-11 (page 3)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

**RESPONSE #599 (UMH) “BREAK THOU THE BREAD OF LIFE” (stanza 1)

**Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea.
Beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord;
my spirit pants for thee, O Living Word!**

SERMON “WERE YOU THERE? I – THE DEVIL” REV. KAREN F. BUNNELL

**HYMN #2105 (TFWS) “JESUS, TEMPTED IN THE DESERT”

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION, p. 12 (UMH)

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION, WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

**THE PEACE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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 – “PASTORALE” D. WAGNER

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE “LENTEN DOXOLOGY”

**Praise God throughout these forty days,
Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.
And praise the Spirit who imparts
God’s love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, p. 13 (UMH)

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.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

Communion will be served by intinction this morning. At the direction of the ushers, you are invited to come forward to the servers, where you will receive the bread, and you are then invited to dip the bread into the juice and consume both elements together. After receiving, you are welcome to pray at the chancel rail for as long as you wish, and then return to your pew.

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

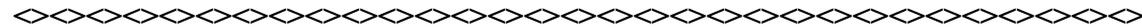
**HYMN #395 (UMH) "TAKE TIME TO BE HOLY"

**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 "RECESSIONAL" D. WAGNER

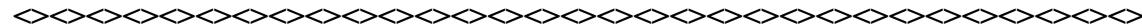


****Indicates the congregation should stand if able**

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal (red cover)

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

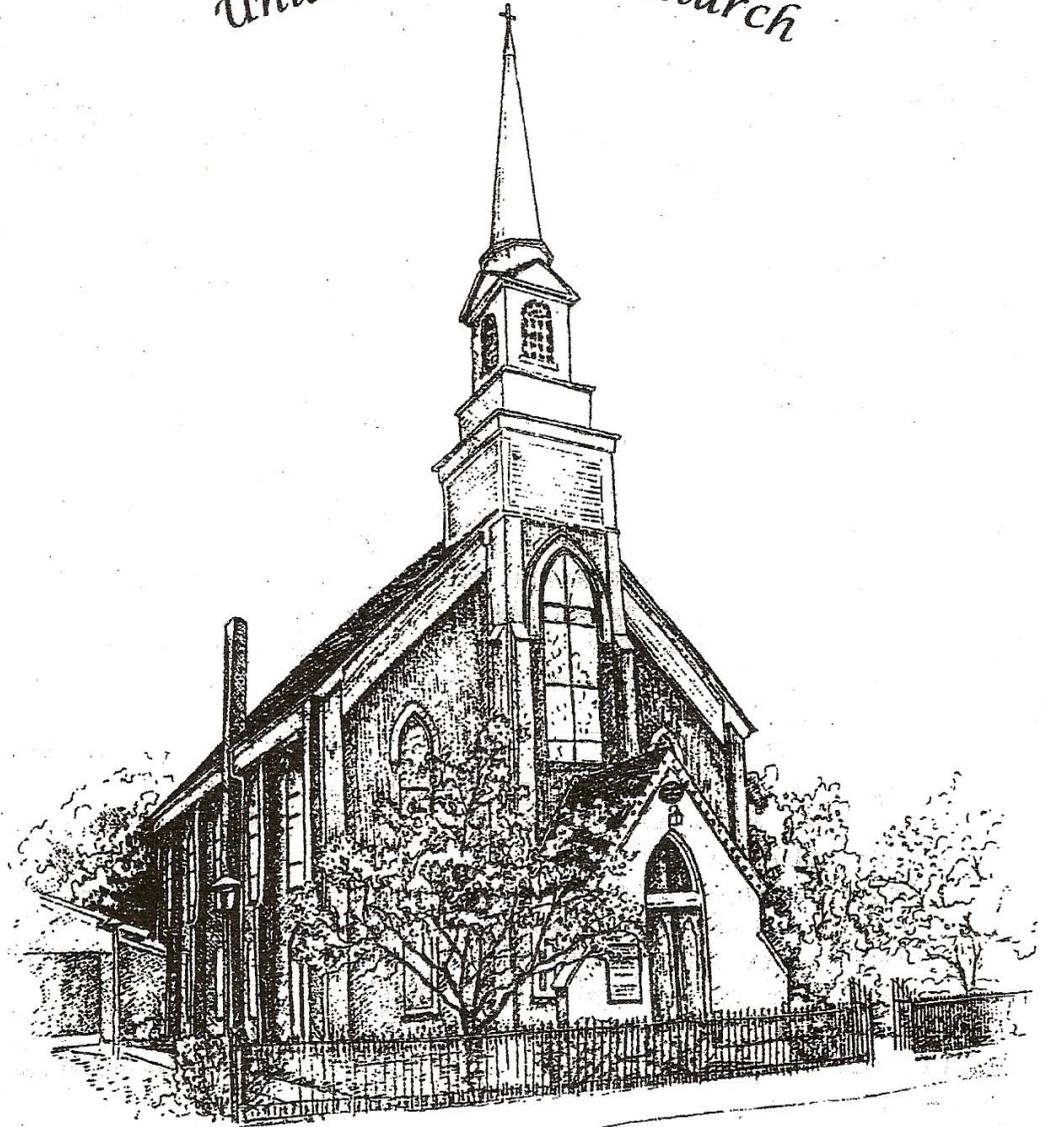
W&S: Worship & Song (green cover)



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

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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!

THE SEASON OF LENT – The season of Lent is the forty-day period (not including Sundays), from Ash Wednesday to Easter. During Lent, we are called to a time of contemplation, penitence and confession, a time to intentionally grow deeper in our faith, and a time to ponder what Jesus did for us and our salvation. Because of the solemnity of the season, you will notice changes in our worship service during the Sundays ahead. Some of the sung responses have changed (prayer response, Gospel response); the choir will not process during the opening hymn; we will refrain from applause, and we will sing no alleluias until we raise the glorious Alleluias! of Easter morn.

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.

ROTATING HOMELESS SHELTER – This week is our week to host the Rotating Homeless Shelter. Help is still needed with meal preparation and serving, host/hostessing, overnight stays, etc. Please see the Missions bulletin board in the Hospitality area for all the tasks that need to be filled, and if you can help with any of them, please put your name on the poster.

NEXT SATURDAY NIGHT – Don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour next Saturday night before you go to bed, because Daylight Saving Time begins in the early morning hours of Sunday. You don't want to be late for church!

CLASSIC CHRISTIANS' MARCH MEETING – The Classic Christians (age 50 and over) will meet on Friday, March 17th at 6:30 p.m. in Weldin Hall. The night will begin with a potluck dinner (bring a dish to share) and then continue in a rousing night of Bingo, with great prizes! To participate, sign up on the sheet across from the Welcome Center.

BUS TRIP TO ANNAPOLIS – The Classic Christians are sponsoring a one-day bus trip to our state capital on Thursday, April 6th. The bus will leave the church at 7 a.m. and head off to Annapolis where the day will include tours of the State House and Governor's Mansion, as well as a chance to sit in on sessions of both the Senate and House. (Pastor Bunnell will be offering the invocation in the Senate that day.) The afternoon will be free time where you can enjoy lunch on your own and wander around the shops and historic sites of the city. The bus will leave to return home at 5 p.m. Cost per person is \$40. To take part, sign up on the sheet across from the Welcome Center.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2017

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM..... Worship Services
 8:30 AM-12:00 PM..... Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten (Rm. 24)
 9:15 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal (Room 1)
 9:45 AM Sunday School (All Ages)
 12:30 PM-3:00 PM..... Youth Group
 7:00 PM..... Elkton Town Band Concert (EHS)

MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2017

9:00 AM-5:00 PM..... AARP Tax Service (Weldin Hall)
 6:00 PM..... Cub Scout Pack Meeting (Weldin Hall)
 6:30 PM..... Evangelism/Membership Committee Mtg. (Conf. Room)
 7:00 PM..... Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Room 27)
 7:00 PM..... Boy Scout Troop Meeting (Room 1)

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2017

9:30 AM Staff Meeting (Room 1)
 2:30 PM..... Elkton Rehab (Nancy McCardell's Team)
 7:00 PM..... Cecil County Choral Society Rehearsal (Weldin Hall)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2017 – NINO'S DAY/NIGHT OUT

10:30 AM Tele-Care Committee Meeting (Room 1)
 12:00 PM..... Lenten Lunch & Learn (Weldin Hall)
 1:00 PM..... Ruth-Sarah Circle Meeting (Weldin Hall)
 6:15 PM..... Weekly Communion (Chapel)
 6:30 PM..... Men's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
 7:00 PM..... Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2017

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

ORGAN FUND UPDATE –

Total Cost for the New Organ	\$104,500.00
Funds Received Thus Far	\$ 89,785.65
Pledges Received	\$ 3,425.00
Amount Still Needed	\$ 11,289.35

To make a contribution, please use one of the organ offering envelopes in the pew racks. Make your check out to Elkton UMC and write "Organ" on the memo line.

PRAYER CONCERNS*

“Never stop praying, especially for others. Always pray by the power of the Spirit.
Stay alert and keep praying for God’s people.” Ephesians 6:18 CEV

Our Missionaries

Rev. Dan Griffiths, Red Bird, KY

Our Pastors

Rev. Peggy Johnson, Bishop

Rev. Joe Archie, DS

Rev. Karen Bunnell

Rev. Ray Graham

Our Nation

President Trump, & All Leaders

Those serving in the military:

Aaron Baunchalk

Joe DeHaven

Faith Gerres (Judy Tanner’s niece)

Justin Hampton (Ina Andrews’
nephew)

Shane Hatfield (friend of the
Pugh’s)

Elizabeth Juergens

Eric Luppold

Garrett Mann

Joe Moore

Brandon Pearson

Hannah Juergens Pearson

Reggie Powers

Robert Rakes

Anderson Rowan

Jeremy Sanders

Zachary Schmook

Ethan Senn

Zachary Senn

Kyle Senn

Jeff Smith

Samantha Stapp (Nancy Leathrum’s
cousin)

William Henry Wright, Jr.

Matthew Yarrington (Wanda
Jackson’s son-in-law)

Members and Friends

Duane Arentzen (2/19)

Anna Baird (2/5) (Millie Jones’
sister)

Jack Bailey (2/12)

Virginia Barnes (2/19)

Blonnie Brooks (2/5)

Tom Brown (2/19)

Peg Bunnell (2/19)

Brad Camors (1/29)

Dottie Cochran (2/19)

Virginia Davis (2/5) (Grace
Achuff’s mother)

Bill Denver (2/12)

Robert DiSciullo (2/5)

Richard Hampton (3/5)

Peg Harrison (3/5)

Vicki Hazel (2/12)

Akiko Johnson (3/5)

Sarah Juergens (2/5)

Trevor Kimpel (2/19)

Keri Kline (2/12)

Sandra Lewis (2/5)

Betty Loveall (2/19) (Nancy
Leathrum’s sister)

Jane MacDonald (2/5)

Karl Marking (2/26)

Bud Moffitt (2/5)

Jim Moran (2/19)

Dawn Oakes (2/19)

Henry Pierson (2/12)

Dave Pugh (2/5)

Rich Robinson (2/19)

Lou Salerno (2/19)

Mel Sappington (2/5)

Carole Seifred (2/12)

Sharon Simon (2/19)

Josh Smith (2/12)

Kim Smith (2/12)

Bill Sweeney (3/5)

Dennis Turner (3/5)

Helen Taylor (2/26) (Dianne

Thompson’s mother)

Mike VanDenHeuvel (2/5)

Tim Vogel (3/5)

Betsy Voight (2/5)

Amere Webster (3/5)

Owen Wevadou (2/5)

Tom Wynegar (3/5)

Abbey Manor

Anne Kirk

Mildred McCormick

Cadia Rehab (Newark)

Carrie Olewine

Calvert Manor

Jeff Wilkinson

Elkton Care and Rehab

Mickie McCormick

Helen Spengler

Laurelwood

Helen Meyers

Sunny Acres

Edith Conrad

If you know that a church member is hospitalized or sick, so as to need
a pastor’s attention, please let the Church Office know.

**Names are listed for 4 weeks. After that, if you wish a name to remain,
please submit a white prayer card indicating that.**