

# Elkton United Methodist Church

Sunday, April 29, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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.....“PRELUDE”..... BEETHOVEN

SUNG RESPONSE #328 (UMH).....“SURELY THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD IS IN THIS PLACE”

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;  
I can feel his mighty power and his grace.  
I can hear the brush of angels’ wings, I see glory on each face;  
surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.**

\*\*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Leader: We give praise and thanks to our God,  
**People: who delivers us from futility and darkened understanding,**  
Leader: who is our hope in hard times -  
**People: our mighty and everlasting hope,**  
Leader: who is our joy to please,  
**People: and our salvation every day.**  
Leader: Come, let us worship God!

\*\*HYMN #369 (UMH).....“BLESSED ASSURANCE”

PRAYER (in unison)

**Loving God, who speaks to us through your scriptures and in the collective wisdom of your people throughout the ages – help us to hear anew what you would speak to us this day. For your word is always fresh, a message of life and hope in the world that needs to know and heed your will. Through Christ the Living Word and your Spirit of illumination who with You is the truth that sets us free. Amen.**

MUSICAL OFFERING – (8:30 & 11:00) – .....PAUL HUMPHREY, SAXOPHONE

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, DEUTERONOMY 6:4-9 (page 163)

MUSICAL OFFERING – ( 8:30) – .....PAUL HUMPHREY, SAXOPHONE  
(11:00) – .....“SIMPLE GIFTS” ..... CHANCEL CHOIR

\*\*GOSPEL LESSON, JOHN 1:1-5, 14-18 (pages 91 & 92)

**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 ..... “THE BIBLE DOESN’T SAY THAT: ..... THE REV. KAREN F. BUNNELL  
III– ‘GOD SAID IT, I BELIEVE IT, THAT SETTLES IT!’”

\*\*HYMN #561 (UMH)..... “JESUS, UNITED BY THY GRACE”  
(During the singing of the hymn at the 8:30 service, the children’s choir may dismiss to Room 1 for practice.)

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.**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (8:30) (see green insert)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO OFFERING AND OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY – ( 8:30) – .....“ANDANTE IN G”.....STULTS  
(11:00) – .....PAUL HUMPHREY, SAXOPHONE

**\*\*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!**

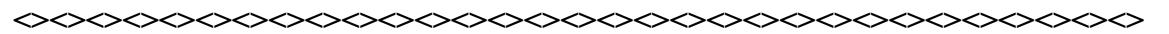
**\*\*HYMN #671 (UMH) .....“LORD, DISMISS US WITH THY BLESSING”**

**\*\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**\*\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

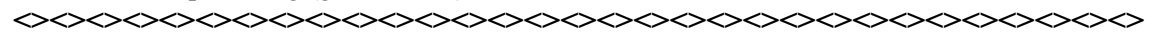
**Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.  
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, bind us together in love.**

**POSTLUDE .....“HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE YOUR NAME” .....SETTING BY MANZ**



**\*\*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)



**STAFF OF ELKTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

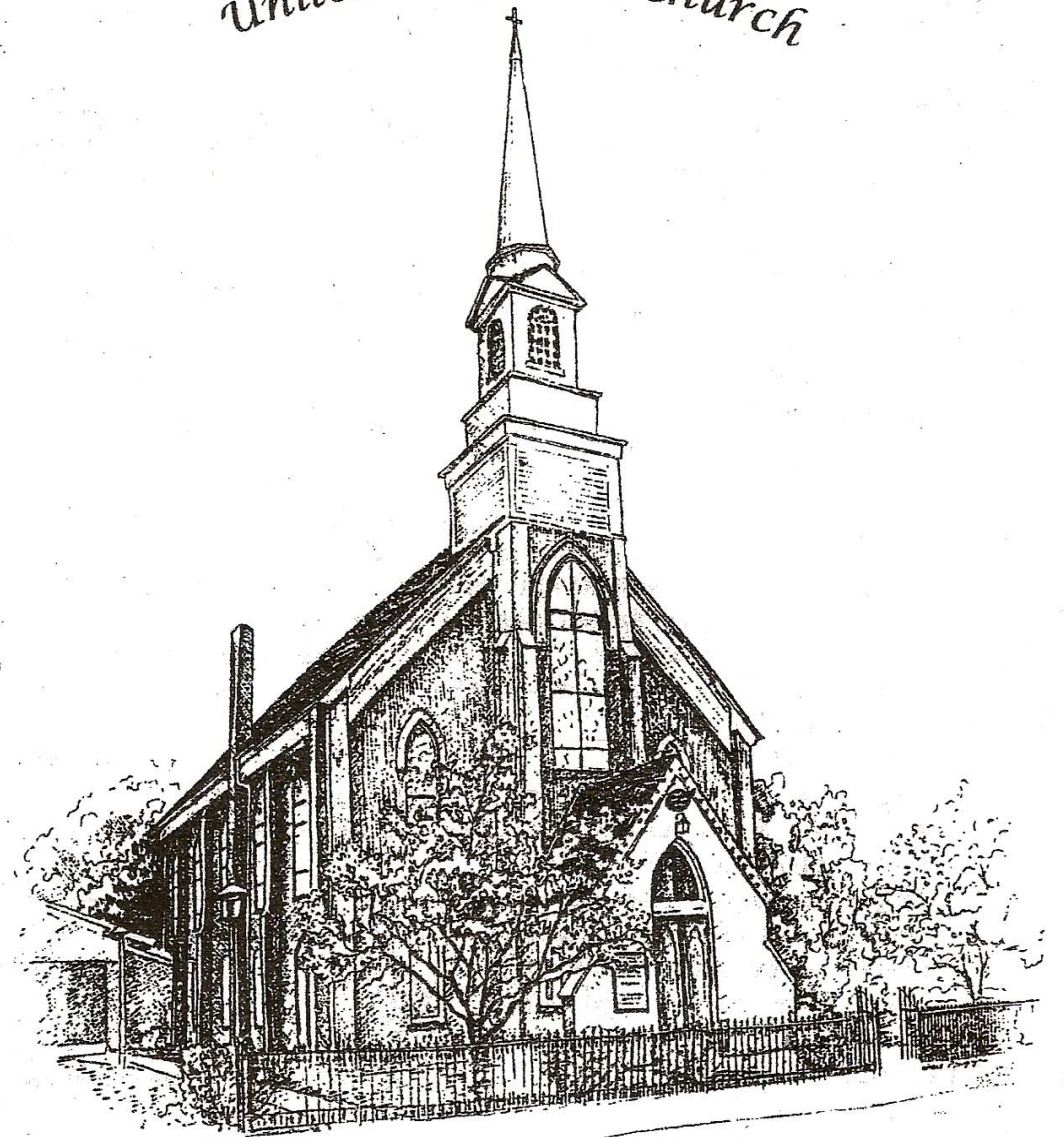
Peggy Johnson, Bishop  
Joe Archie, District Superintendent

Karen F. Bunnell..... Senior Pastor  
Ray Graham ..... Associate Pastor of Visitation Ministries  
Paul Deemer.....Handbell Director  
Steven Gilmore ..... Choir Director  
Katie Sparks..... Director of Children and Education Ministries  
Kay Mortimer..... Secretary  
Laurie Ruth ..... Treasurer  
Sandy Wherry ..... Director of Youth  
Sharon Williams..... Organist/Coordinator of Music Ministries  
Sylvia Honesty/Donna Horgan .....Sextons

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*“A place to know Jesus, be known by Jesus, and make Him known to others.”*

## 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!

**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. Video of the sermon are now being posted on-line as well. To see a video, go the church website, [elktonumc.org](http://elktonumc.org) and click on the "Sermons" link and there you will see a link to the You Tube site for our sermons.

**PROM BOUTIQUE** – Spread the word that our Prom Boutique is now open on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8 p.m. and Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. – 12 noon. The dresses are practically brand new and some accessories are available as well – and it's all free!

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT COMMUNION** – On Wednesday evening at 6:15 p.m. holy communion is offered in the Chapel. It is led by Ivan Mehosky and all are welcome.

**WIRED WORD DISCUSSION GROUP – After the Parkland School Killings, Students Across the U.S. Launch Protests Against Gun Violence.**

Though not all Americans agree with the youth, those who do find the leadership and zeal from these teenagers to be inspiring and commendable. These teenagers want their efforts to somehow reduce the number of school attacks and deaths. We take this opportunity to consider some biblical views of young people and to think about the cause uniting those involved in the protests. We will meet in the Conference Room this Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

**MAY CLASSIC CHRISTIANS' MEETING** – The Classic Christians (age 50 and over) will meet next on Friday, May 18, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in Weldin Hall. The night begins with a potluck dinner (bring a dish to share) and continues on in the always-rousing Bingo Night. To take part, sign up on the sheet across from the Welcome Center.

**SPECIAL PROGRAM AT NEWARK UMC** – Newark UMC invites all who are interested to take part in a day-long Bible study entitled "A Biblical Approach to Affirming LGBTQ Inclusion." It will take place on Saturday, May 12 at the church on Main Street in Newark, and the cost is \$10/person for lunch. You can register to take part by going to [www.eumcrb.org/a-way-forward](http://www.eumcrb.org/a-way-forward).

### LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, May 13 – Mother's Day & Sunday School Teacher Recognition Sunday

Sunday, May 20 – Pentecost Sunday & Confirmation of Youth

Sunday, June 3 – Graduate Recognition Sunday

Sunday, June 10 – Sunday School Promotion Sunday

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

### TODAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 29, 2018

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM ..... Worship Services  
8:30 AM-12:00 PM..... Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten  
9:15 AM..... Children's Choir Rehearsal (Room 1)  
9:45 AM..... Sunday School (all ages)  
6:00 PM ..... Youth Group

### MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2018

6:00 PM ..... Cub Scouts (Weldin Hall)  
7:00 PM ..... Boy Scouts (Room 1)  
7:00 PM ..... Handbell Choir Rehearsal

### TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2018

2:30 PM ..... Nursing Home Visitation (Carol Robinson's Team)  
7:00 PM ..... Nar-Anon Support Group (Room 1)

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2018

9:00 AM..... Disciple Class (Room 1)  
6:15 PM ..... Communion (Chapel)  
6:30 PM ..... Men's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:00 PM ..... Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### THURSDAY, MAY 3, 2018

12:30 PM ..... Weight Watchers Meeting (Weldin Hall)  
7:00 PM ..... Wired Word Discussion Group (Conference Room)  
7:00 PM ..... Lay Academy Training (Wesley Wing)  
8:00 PM ..... AA Meeting (Room 1)



## PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

**Worship Leader:** Dick Gochnauer

**Readers:** 8:30 – Cheryl Fehlman 11:00 – Krista Gilmore

**Acolytes:** 8:30 – Katie Zimmer 11:00 – Jack Edler

**Greeters:** 8:30 – Joan and Herb Perry 11:00 – Donna Horgan and  
Kim & Jack Edler

**Welcome Center:**

8:10-8:30 & 10:40-11:00 &  
9:30-9:50 – Bethany Buckley 12:00-12:20 – Bettie Murray

**Hospitality:** 8:30 – Sharon Slayman and Jennifer Slayman 11:00 – Vanessa and Alan Foskey

**Hall Monitors:** 8:30 – Deb and Ted McDowell 11:00 – Bob Perkins

**Nursery:** 8:30 – Kyle Slayman 11:00 – Lorraine Campbell

**Tech Team:** 8:30 – Joe Buckley and Paige Laning 11:00 – Roger Robinson and  
Jeremy Hamilton

**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, Dick Gochnauer,  
Deb McDowell, Ted McDowell, David Sentman and Joe Tanner.  
11:00 – Frank Deibert, Charlie Campbell, Ken McCoy, Charles Allport,  
Stanley Cebula, Bill Ferringer, Heidi Gaultney and Larry Gaultney.

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are in loving memory of Robert W. Heath, Jr., given by Kim and Bobby Heath.

**WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS** this morning to EUMC during the 8:30 service: Karen Anderson, Elizabeth Fennemore and Kyle Fennemore.

**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.

## **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. Phil Godbey, 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

Shea Gerding (Frye’s grandson)

Shane Hatfield (friend of the  
Pugh's)

Elizabeth Juergens

Eric Luppold

Garrett Mann

Joe Moore

Brandon Pearson

Hannah Juergens Pearson

Robert Rakes

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)

Jacob Zervas

### **Hospital**

Henry Jacobs

Ed McKeown

### **Members and Friends**

Cindy Abrams (4/15) (McDowell’s  
niece)

Ben Allen (4/8) (Nadine’s brother)

Duane Arentzen (4/1)

Lillian Armstrong (4/22)

Gifford Biles (4/15)

Peg Bunnell (4/8)

Beth Camarron (4/29)

Frank Cebula (4/15)

John Clark (4/1)

Dottie Cochran (4/15)

Tiffany Coleman (4/29)

Carol Ferguson (4/29)

Michele Jones (4/29)

Nate Kelsey (4/29)

Mark Krauss (4/15)

Jerry Lockard (4/15)

Amy McCarthy (3/25)

Ken McCoy (4/1)

Jackie McGuirk (4/15)

Hazel Jean Maclary (4/15)

Linda Moon (3/11) (Stacie Forman’s  
mother)

Robert, Matt & Michael Murray  
(for safe travels)

Jane Arrants-Parrack (4/1)

Bill Pinder (4/15)

Dave Pugh (4/22)

Jen Redmond (4/8) (Gruebel’s  
neighbor)

Gabi Sasse (4/15) (Betty McCarthy’s  
granddaughter)

Bob Shumate (4/29) (Ina Andrew’s  
brother-in-law)

Ed Sprague (4/1)

Cheri Stout (4/29) (Donna Perkins’  
sister-in-law)

Charles Strosnider (4/8) (Gail  
Garber’s brother)

Lisa Tenerowicz (4/1) (Bethany  
Buckley’s sister)

Mike VanDenHeuvel (4/15)

Owen Wevadou (4/15)

### **Abbev Manor**

Mildred McCormick

### **Calvert Manor**

Jim Melvin

### **Laurelwood**

Helen Meyers

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.**