

# Elkton United Methodist Church

Sunday, January 7, 2018

Baptism of the Lord

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 ..... “MEDITATION” ..... WAGNER

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: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,

**People: ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.**

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of God’s name,

**People: worship the Lord in holy array.**

Leader: The voice of the Lord is upon the water.

**People: The God of glory thunders, the Lord upon many waters.**

Leader: The voice of the Lord is powerful.

**People: The voice of God is full of majesty.**

**Let us praise the name of the Lord!**

\*\*HYMN #400 (UMH) ..... “COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING”

PRAYER (in unison)

**Loving God, when the Spirit descended upon Jesus in Jordan’s water you revealed Him as your own beloved Son. You anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Grant that all who are baptized into His name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior now and forevermore. Amen.**

MUSICAL OFFERING – ( 8:30) ..... “COVENTRY CAROL” ..... BEN INGRAM, PIANO SOLO  
(11:00) ..... “FEED MY LAMBS” ..... CHANCEL CHOIR

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, GENESIS 1:1-5 (page 1)

\*\*GOSPEL LESSONS, MARK 1:4-11 (pages 34 & 35)

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*\*RESPONSE #204 (UMH)..... “EMMANUEL”

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel,  
God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel.**

SERMON ..... “SHOW ME A SIGN: I - WATER” ..... REV. KAREN F. BUNNELL

\*\*HYMN #252 (UMH) ..... “WHEN JESUS CAME TO JORDAN”

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 – ( 8:30) ..... “BAROQUE TRUMPET” ..... YOUNG  
(11:00) ..... “COVENTRY CAROL” ..... BEN INGRAM, PIANO SOLO

\*\*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!**

\*\*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 communion, you are invited to go to the touch the waters of baptism, and remember your baptism. Then enter into a time of prayer, either at the chancel rail or in your pew.

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

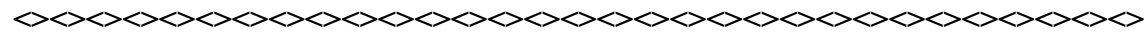
\*\*HYMN ..... "DOWN BY THE JORDAN" (see insert)

\*\*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 ..... "BACHIANA ON AN ANCIENT CHORALE"..... YOUNG

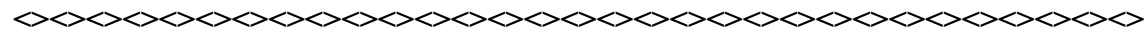


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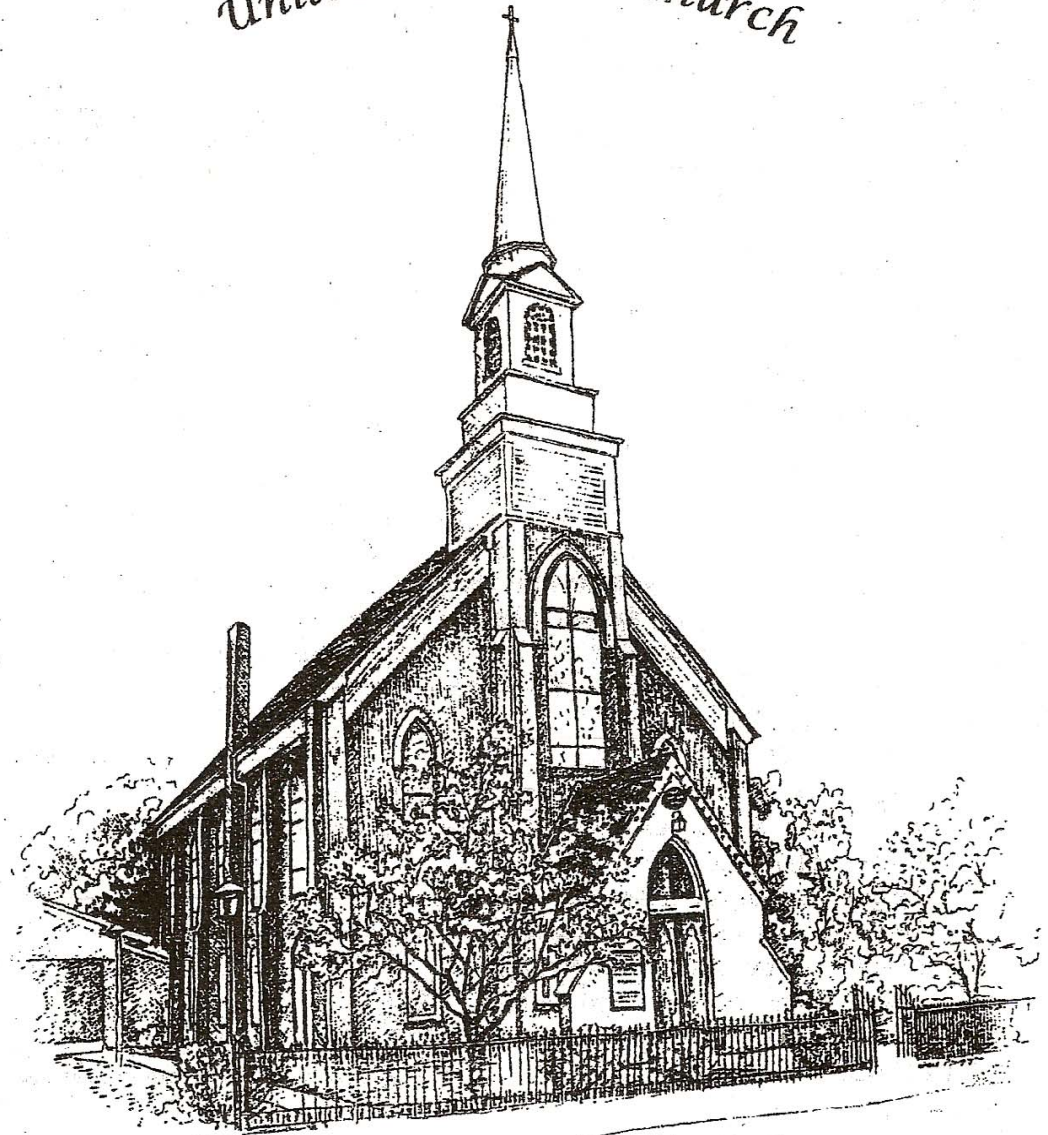
UMH: United Methodist Hymnal (red cover)

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."*

## 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. 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.

**PRAY FOR OUR YOUTH** – Many of our youth and their leaders are in Ocean City this weekend for the annual Conference Youth Rally. Please pray that God will work in their lives in a mighty way, and that he will grant them traveling mercies as they return home this afternoon.

**MEN'S RETREAT** – There is still space available on the Men's Retreat (Jan. 19-21) at the Riverview Retreat Center at Camp Pecometh. Brochures about the event are on the counter across from the Welcome Center.

**LENTEN DEVOTIONAL** - Once again a Lenten Devotional will be prepared to guide members and friends through the season of Lent. So many of you have supported this and the Advent Devotional through the years to great success. It may seem odd to already be discussing Lent so soon after Christmas, but without Christmas we would not have the joy of Easter! Lent begins this year with Ash Wednesday being on February 14<sup>th</sup>, so that doesn't leave us much time to prepare. If you haven't written before and are interested, please let us know! And as always, if you have written, you are more than welcome to write again. You can write as an individual, a couple, a Sunday School group...the possibilities are endless! I will be requesting devotions back to me by Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please contact Sandy Lavelle if you are interested in writing and she will provide you with the verses for the day you will write for, along with a template so you don't have to worry about formatting! Please contact Sandy through email at [szimmie@hotmail.com](mailto:szimmie@hotmail.com), phone: 302-740-0099, or just stop her on a Sunday morning!

**SPRING TRIP** – If you're looking for a getaway this spring, why not take a trip with the Classic Christians? They're heading off to the Norfolk VA area from April 26-29, where they'll enjoy a performance of military bands, a NATO parade, a tour of the Norfolk Naval Base, and other activities. A flyer about the trip is on the counter across from the Welcome Center. You don't have to be a Classic Christian to take part!

**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.

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

### TODAY, SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018

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)

### MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2018

9:00 AM ..... AARP Training (Weldin Hall)  
5:30 PM..... Gentle Yoga (Hospitality Area)  
6:00 PM..... Cub Scouts (Weldin Hall)  
6:30 PM..... Evangelism/Membership Committee Meeting (Conf. Rm)  
7:00 PM..... Boy Scouts (Room 1/Weldin Hall)  
7:00 PM..... Handbell Choir Rehearsal

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2018

9:30 AM ..... Staff Meeting (Room 1)  
6:30 PM..... Communications Committee Meeting (Conf. Room)  
7:00 PM..... Nar-Anon Support Group (Room 1)  
7:00 PM..... Cecil County Choral Society Rehearsal (Weldin Hall)

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2018

9:00 AM ..... Disciple Class (Room 1)  
10:45 AM ..... Tele-Care Committee Meeting (Room 1)  
12:00 PM..... Ruth-Sarah Circle Meeting (Weldin Hall)  
5:00 PM..... Chair Yoga (Weldin Hall)  
6:15 PM..... Communion (Chapel)  
6:30 PM..... Cub Scout Committee Meeting (Room 1)  
6:30 PM..... Men's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
7:00 PM..... Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 2018

12:30 PM..... Weight Watchers Meeting (Weldin Hall)  
6:30 PM..... Dorcas Circle Meeting (Weldin Hall)  
6:30 PM..... Finance Committee Meeting (Conference Room)  
8:00 PM..... AA Meeting (Room 1)

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2018

#### **Women's Retreat in Ocean City**

9:00 AM ..... AARP Training (Weldin Hall)

## PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

**Worship Leader:** Mike Schmook

**Readers:** 8:30 – Nancy Crawford                      11:00 – Jeanette Perkins

**Acolytes:** 8:30 – Katie Zimmer                      11:00 – Kaitlyn Czarnecki

**Greeters:** 8:30 – Cathy and Norman Petterson      11:00 – Pat and Pam Stepler

**Welcome Center:**

8:10-8:30 &                      10:40-11:00 &  
9:30-9:50 – Lorraine Jones      12:00-12:20 – Robyn Graham

**Hospitality:** 8:30 – Ronnie and Dave Smith      11:00 – Maryann Schmook and  
Sheila Hendricks

**Hall Monitors:** 8:30 – Gerry Treese                      11:00 – Rich Juergens

**Nursery:** 8:30 – John Sparks                      11:00 – Evelyn Jones

**Tech Team:** 8:30 – Carly Smith and                      11:00 – Rich Juergens and  
Kristina Keithley                      Damien Hollday

**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, Rich Achuff,  
Wayne Eller, Henry Jacobs, Keith McKenica and Kevin White.  
11:00 – Frank Deibert, Charlie Campbell, Ken McCoy, Bart Funke, Phil  
Norman, Carol Robinson, Roger Robinson and Sonny Tenney.

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are in loving memory of Bob and Ruth Bryson given by Carol Bryson Watts and Kathie Bryson Gray and their families.

**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**

Richard Jones

Cindy McCoy

### **Members and Friends**

Cindy Abrams (12/17) (McDowell’s  
niece)

Ben Allen (12/31) (Nadine’s brother)

Les Andrews (1/7)

Jimmy Beck (1/7)

Gifford Biles (12/17)

Peg Bunnell (12/10)

Beth Camarra (1/7)

Frank Cebula (12/17)

Dottie Cochran (12/17)

Donna Dellinger (12/10)

Glenna DeRose (12/31)

Sandi Ferguson (12/17)

Bill Gaultney (12/10)

Dick Gochnauer (12/17)

Sarah Juergens (12/3)

Sandra Lewis (12/3)

Matthew Lindell (12/17) (Jane & Bob  
MacDonald’s grandson)

Ken McCoy (12/17)

Jackie McGuirk (12/24)

Ed McKeown (12/17)

Bill Pinder (12/24)

Mackenzie Price (12/3)

Dave Pugh (1/7)

Audrey Russell (12/17)

Paula Schultz (12/17)

Ed Sprague (12/10)

Gary Storke (12/17)

Mike VanDenHeuvel (11/26)

Fran Vassalotti (11/19)

Mary Edna Vincent (12/17)

Lance Waltzer (12/31) (Betty  
McCarthy’s son-in-law)

Aiden Waltzer (12/31) (Betty

McCarthy’s grandson)

Owen Wevadou (12/10)

Tom White (12/31)

Doug Wilson (1/7)

Sally Wood (11/26) (Betty  
McCarthy’s sister)

### **Abbey Manor**

Anne Kirk

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.**

It's **JOY OF FAITH** time again!

February 3-4

This year featuring sports figures who have overcome adversity

**Kevin Reilly &  
Dickie Noles**

**Saturday, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>** –

**9 am – Prayer Breakfasts**

(see locations on reverse)

**5 pm – Catered Dinner in Weldin Hall**

Tickets available starting 1/14 –

\$10/adults, \$5/children 10 & under,  
\$30/max for family of six)

**7 pm – Presentation by Kevin Reilly in the sanctuary**

**Sunday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>** –

**Dickie Noles will speak at both worship services**

**JOY OF FAITH PRAYER BREAKFASTS**

**Sign-Up Sheet**

(Please fill out and place in the offering plate.)

Help wrap the entire Joy of Faith weekend in prayer by participating in one of the following prayer breakfasts on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9 am.

At the home of INA AND DON ANDREWS (Elkton)

At the Clubhouse at Cecil Woods (North East)

At the home of LINDA AND BOB MEFFLEY (Town Point)

At the home of JEN AND MIKE NOLL (Elk Forest Road)  
– this prayer breakfast welcomes families with children to join them!



Please check the location you'd like to attend and indicate the number who will be attending.

\_\_\_\_\_ Ina and Don Andrews' Home

\_\_\_\_\_ The Clubhouse at Cecil Woods

\_\_\_\_\_ Linda and Bob Meffley's Home

\_\_\_\_\_ Jen and Mike Noll's Home