

Elkton United Methodist Church
Sunday, January 14, 2018
Second Sunday After the Epiphany
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 G” ARCHER

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: The one who calls you together this day yearns for each of you and for all people to hear and be blessed.

People: Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

Leader: Blessed is the One who comes bringing trustworthy words for the healing of the world.

People: Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

**HYMN #577 (UMH) “GOD OF GRACE AND GOD OF GLORY”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER (in unison)

Holy God, you see into each of us and know us fully as creatures in need of your constant care. We confess that we have neither heard your word nor followed your will. We have failed our nation, neighbors, families, friends, and ourselves. Give us

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to hear your wisdom. Lead us to honesty and faith so that we may begin again with renewed strength; in Jesus’ name. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

MUSICAL OFFERING – (8:30 & 11:00) – “MARY DID YOU KNOW”SID BLEDSOE, SOLOIST

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, PSALM 139:1-6, 13-18 (pages 577 & 578)

MUSICAL OFFERING – (8:30) – “ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID’S CITY”SID BLEDSOE, SOLOIST
(11:00) –“MY SAVIOR AND MY GOD”CHANCEL CHOIR

**GOSPEL LESSON, JOHN 1:43-51 (pages 92 & 93)

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 “GATHERED”REV. RAY GRAHAM

**HYMN #2130 (TFWS) “THE SUMMONS”

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 – 8:30 “PASTORALE” WAGNER
11:00SID BLEDSOE, SOLOIST

**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!

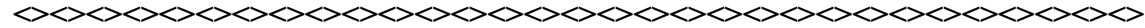
**HYMN #454 (UMH)“OPEN MY EYES, THAT I MAY SEE”

**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“SORTIE” WAGNER

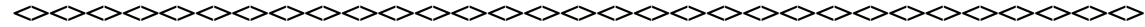


**Indicates the congregation should stand if able

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)



STAFF OF ELKTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

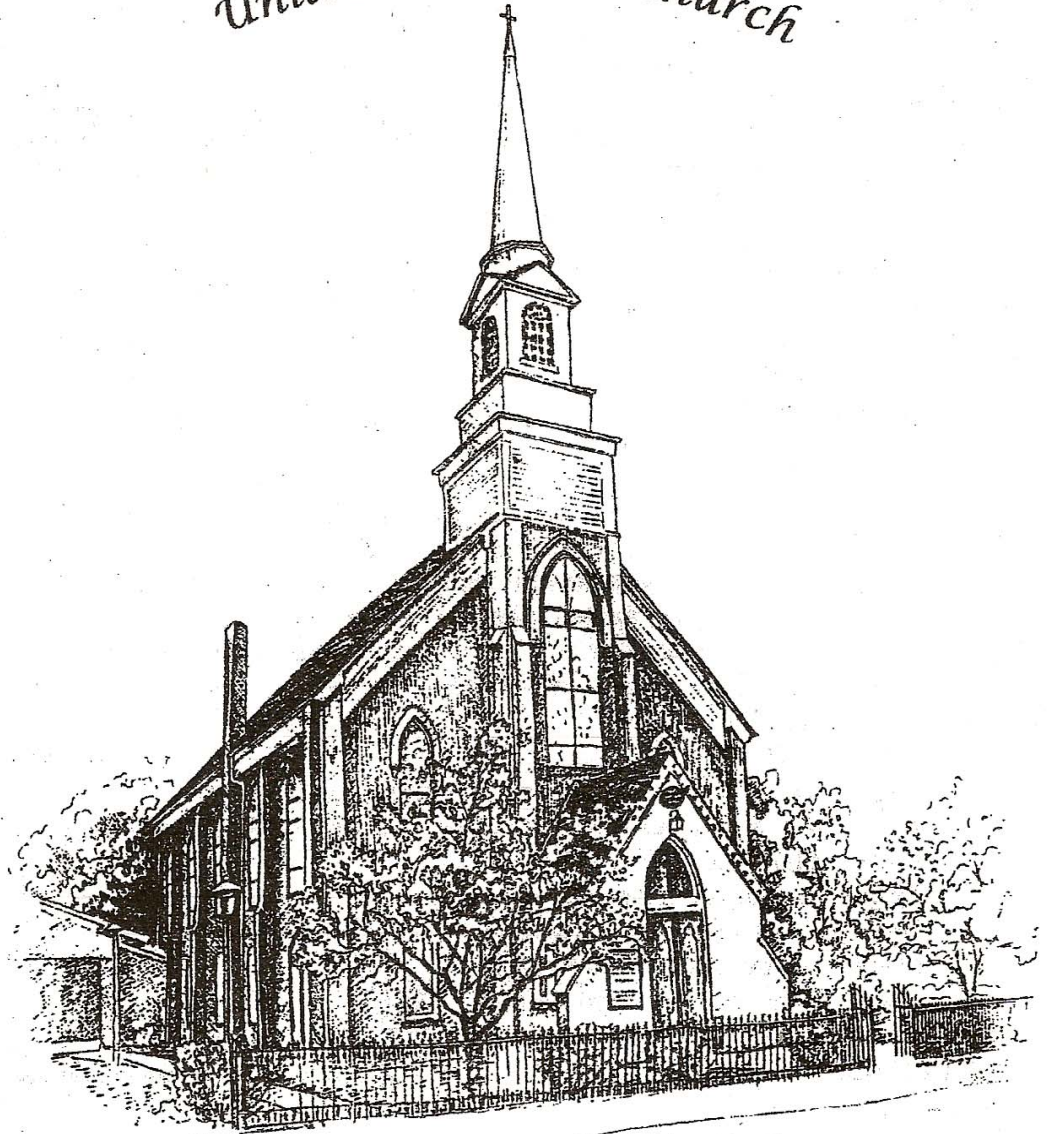
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Joe Archie, District Superintendent

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Ray Graham.....	Associate Pastor of Visitation Ministries
Paul Deemer.....	Handbell Director
Steven Gilmore.....	Choir Director
Kay Mortimer.....	Secretary
Katie Sparks.....	Director of Children and Education Ministries
Laurie Ruth.....	Treasurer
Sandy Wherry.....	Director of Youth Ministries
Sharon Williams.....	Organist/Coordinator of Music Ministries
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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!

WELCOME "GUEST" PREACHER RAY GRAHAM – Our preacher this morning is the Rev. Ray Graham, EUMC's Pastor of Visitation. He's filling in for Karen who is on the Women's Retreat in Ocean City with 80+ women. While serving on our staff, Ray also serves as the Pastor of Perryville UMC – and all of this while he is technically retired! The 8:30 congregation gets to see Ray once a month on communion Sunday, but the 11:00 congregation rarely gets to see him – so enjoy! Thanks, Ray, for being our preacher this morning!

VIDEO OF TODAY'S SERMON – 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.

MLK SERVICE TOMORROW – The pastor and people of Wrights AME Church invite you to join them at 9 am tomorrow morning for the annual Martin Luther King Day service. It is always a lively and uplifting experience, and they'd love to have you join them.

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 14th, 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 2nd. 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, 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 14, 2018

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM..... Worship Services
8:30 AM-12:00 PM..... Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten (Rm. 24)
9:30 AM-12:30 AM Blood Pressure Screenings (Parish Nurse Office)
9:45 AM Sunday School (All ages)
5:30 PM..... Youth Group

MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2018

Office Closed – MLK Holiday

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

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2018

1:00 PM..... Shine Dance Class (Weldin Hall)
6:00 PM..... Cecil County Choral Society Board Meeting (Chapel)
6:00 PM..... God & Me Class (Cub Scouts) (Conference Room)
7:00 PM..... Communications Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
7:00 PM..... Nar-Anon Support Group (Room 1)
7:00 PM..... Cecil County Choral Society Rehearsal (Weldin Hall)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2018

6:30 AM Men's Breakfast (Elkton Diner)
9:00 AM AARP Tax Training (Weldin Hall)
9:00 AM Disciple Class (Room 1)
5:00 PM..... Chair Yoga (Weldin Hall)
6:15 PM..... Communion (Chapel)
6:30 PM..... Stewardship Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
6:30 PM..... Men's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM..... Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 2018

12:30 PM..... Weight Watchers Meeting (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM..... Staff Parish Relations Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
8:00 PM..... AA Meeting (Room 1)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19, 2018

Men's Retreat at Camp Pecometh

9:00 AM AARP Training (Weldin Hall)

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leader: Joe Buckley

Readers: 8:30 – Dave Pugh 11:00 – Murray Thompson

Acolytes: 8:30 – Andrew Noll 11:00 – Joe Ingram

Greeters: 8:30 – Joan & Herb Perry 11:00 – Phyllis & Ken McCoy

Welcome Center:

8:10-8:30 & 10:40-11:00 &
9:30-9:50 – Evelyn Jones 12:00-12:20 – Denise Lee

Hospitality: 8:30 – Jane MacDonald and Gale Willis 11:00 – Cheryl Ferringer and Deb Ingram

Hall Monitors: 8:30 – TBD 11:00 – Helen Hanel

Nursery: 8:30 – Jack Kovicak 11:00 – Ben Ingram

Tech Team: 8:30 – Jamie Laning and Paige Laning 11:00 – Rich Juergens and 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 Edith & William H. Realey, Jennie Q. Realey, Edith & Roy McKeown, Elizabeth & Mack Arrants, Anna Realey, Jennie & Clyde Carroll and William B. Realey given by Mary Anne Terrell.

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

Margaret Boulden

Mary Jane Rambo

Members and Friends

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

Ben Allen (12/31) (Nadine’s brother)

Les Andrews (1/7)

Duane Arentzen (1/14)

Jimmy Beck (1/7)

Gifford Biles (12/17)

Patty Brown (1/14)

Peg Bunnell (12/10)

Beth Camarra (1/7)

Frank Cebula (12/17)

Dottie Cochran (12/17)

Donna Dellinger (12/10)

Glenna DeRose (12/31)

Chris Dulin (1/14) (Sonia’s son)

Sandi Ferguson (12/17)

Bill Gaultney (12/10)

Dick Gochnauer (12/17)

Richard Jones (1/14)

Sarah Juergens (1/14)

Sandra Lewis (1/14)

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

Cindy McCoy (1/14)

Ken McCoy (12/17)

Jackie McGuirk (12/24)

Ed McKeown (12/17)

Bill Pinder (12/24)

Dave Pugh (1/7)

Audrey Russell (12/17)

Paula Schultz (12/17)

Ed Sprague (12/10)

Gary Storke (12/17)

Mike VanDenHeuvel (1/14)

Fran Vassalotti (1/14)

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)

Emma White (1/7)

Tom White (12/31)

Doug Wilson (1/7)

Sally Wood (1/14) (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. 3rd –

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. 4th –

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 3rd 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!

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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