## Elkton United Methodist Church Sunday, February 25, 2018 Boy Scout Sunday

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

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: We have gathered in the presence of God, who is love.

People: We have gathered in the shadow of the cross, sign of God's love.

Leader: Let us give thanks for the compassion of God, the grace of Jesus Christ,

and the unity of the Holy Spirit

People: We will pray and sing, praising God with hearts and hands and

voices!

CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Almighty and Eternal God, you have long sought us and we have fled. You have offered us an easy yoke, and we have tied ourselves down with cares and burdens. You have forgiven us, and we have complained against our sisters and brothers. Give us a conversion that turns us around to face the light; teach us a repentance that lives in works of love; lead us into the narrow path; guide us through the valley of the shadow of death. Call us to follow Jesus Christ and in his way to live and suffer, die and rise again. For it is in his name that we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE (11:00) – CHILDREN'S CHOIR LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, PSALM 41 (page 514) (11:00) – ...... "IN LOVE CHRIST CAME AMONG US" ........ CHANCEL CHOIR \*\*GOSPEL LESSON, MARK 14:17-21 (page 51) 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! II – BETRAYED AND DENIED" 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,

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 – ...... BOELLMAN

**Offertory Response, #95 (UMH)	"Doxology"
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;	
Praise God, all creatures here below:	
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts;	
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
Truise runner, son und riory Grosse Timen.	
**HYMN #3105 (W&S)	"IN CHRIST ALONE"
**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 lov	
POSTLUDE"PROCESSIONAL"	ARR. BY HOPSON
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**Indicates the congregation should stand if able	
UMH: United Methodist Hymnal (red cover)	
<b>TFWS:</b> The Faith We Sing (black cover) - found in the rack underneath the	new in front of you
W&S: Worship & Song (green cover)	F 01 ) 0 0
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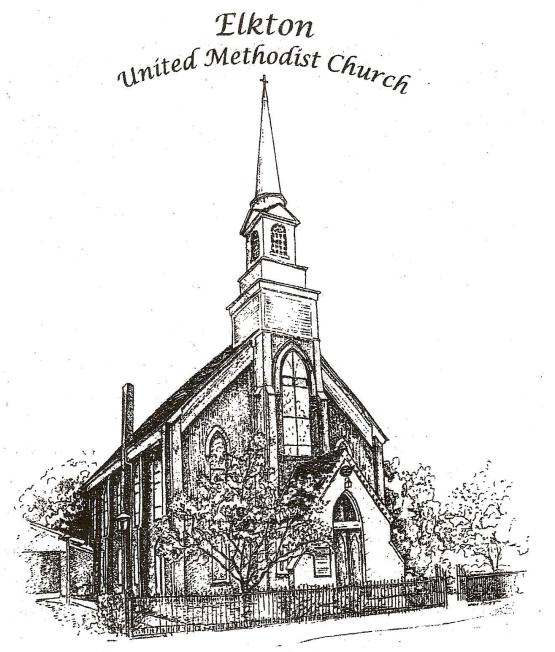
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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME TO BOY SCOUT SUNDAY!** Today we celebrate Boy Scout Sunday at Elkton UMC and welcome members and friends from our Boy Scout Troop 443 and Cub Pack 443. We are proud to be the charter organization for both of these groups that help boys become responsible men of good character and integrity. During the service, Scouts will be serving as greeters, ushers, and readers and we'll hear from their leaders about their activities this year. Welcome to Scouts and Scout families!

**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. Video 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.

**LENTEN DEVOTIONAL** – Don't forget that you can use the Lenten devotional electronically through our church website. Just click on elktonumc.org and go to the link in the center box for the devotional. It's a great way to start your day, and keep yourself focused on Christ and what he did for you!

**WIRED WORD DISCUSSION GROUP** – You may know that the Bishops created a Commission on a Way Forward to present options for United Methodists to live together faithfully with differing beliefs around the issues of human sexuality. The two primary aspects of these concerns involve language in the Book of Discipline around conducting same-gender weddings and ordaining "self-avowed practicing homosexual" people. We will grapple with this important issue. We'll meet on Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Everyone is welcome!

**EMERGENCY HOMELESS SHELTER** – Now that the shelter is up and running again, our church has signed up to host the shelter the week of March 5<sup>th</sup>. We need people to serve as evening hosts and hostesses, and overnight help. Please see the sign-up sheets on the Missions bulletin board downstairs in the Hospitality Area to take part in this important mission.

**NEXT SUNDAY** — Our dear friend and former member Cathy Gohlke will be with us next Sunday! She'll bring copies of her new book, *Until We Find Home*, which you can buy (and which she'll autograph!). Paperback copies are \$15, hardback \$25. Checks can be made out to Cathy Gohlke.

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

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
9:45 AM	Sunday School (All ages)
6:00 PM	Youth Group

## Monday, February 26, 2018

9:00 AM	. AARP Tax Help (Weldin Hall)
6:00 PM	1 \
	. Boy Scouts (Room 1/Weldin Hall)
7:00 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2018

7:00 PM	Nar-Anon Support Group (Room 1)
7:00 PM	

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2018

9:00 AM	
12:00 PM	Lenten Lunch & Learn (Weldin Hall)
5:00 PM	Chair Yoga (Weldin Hall)
6:15 PM	
6:30 PM	Men's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:00 PM	

## THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2018

12:30 PM	
6:30 PM	Staff Parish Relations Committee Meeting (Room 34)
7:00 PM	
8:00 PM	

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2018

7:00 PM	Cecil County Choral Society Rehearsal (WH)	

**EASTER CANDY NEEDED –** We need donations of candy to fill the eggs for our Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring all donations to the box near the Welcome Center.

## PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leader: Bill Graham

**Readers:** 8:30 – Boy Scout 11:00 – Boy Scout

**Acolytes:** 8:30 – Noah Noll 11:00 – Joe Ingram

**Greeters:** 8:30 – Lynn and Jim Dech 11:00 – Kelly and Bret Eddinger

**Welcome Center:** 

8:10-8:30 & 10:40-11:00 &

9:30-9:50 – Barb Pinder 12:00-12:20 – Heidi Gaultney

**Hospitality:** 8:30 – Enjoy the Boy Scout 11:00 – Phyllis McCoy and

Pancake Breakfast!! Gretchen Ginder

**Hall Monitors:** 8:30 – Barb Pinder 11:00 – Rich Juergens

Nursery: 8:30 – Jack Kovicak 11:00 – TBD

**Tech Team:** 8:30 – Joe Buckley and 11:00 – Roger Robinson and

Paige Laning Damien Hollyday

**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, Joyce Browne,

Joe Buckley, Hank Fehlman, Romie Jones and Joe Tanner.

11:00 - Frank Deibert, Charlie Campbell, Ken McCoy, Joseph Graham,

Bob Perkins, Gary Storke and Ray Whiteoak.

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are in memory of Francis and Ella Rea given by John and Shirley Clark and girls.

**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 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 Stann (Nancy)

Samantha Stapp (Nancy Leathrum's cousin)
William Henry Wright, Jr.

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

Jacob Zervas

# Hospital Bill Pinder

#### **Members and Friends**

Cindy Abrams (1/28) (McDowell's niece) Ben Allen (2/25) (Nadine's brother) Don Andrews (1/28)

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Les Andrews (2/11)
Duane Arentzen (2/25)
Joanna Beam (1/28)
Gifford Biles (1/28)
Peg Bunnell (2/25)
Frank Cebula (1/28)
John Clark (2/25)
Dottie Cochran (1/28)
DACA and TPS People (1/28)

Dick Gochnauer (2/11) Lisa Hughes (1/28) Mark Krauss (1/21) Pepper Martin (1/28) (Joyce

Browne's uncle)
Ken McCoy (2/25)
Jackie McGuirk (1/28)

Ed McKeown (2/11) Mary Beth Mendenhall (2/25)

Linda Moon (1/28) (Stacie Forman's mother)

Jane Arrants-Parrack (2/25) Dave Pugh (2/11)

Mary Jane Rambo (2/4/)

Jen Redmond (2/11) (Gruebel's neighbor)

Gabi Sasse (2/11) (Betty McCarthy's granddaughter)

Bob Shumate (1/28) (Ina's brother-in-law)

Ed Sprague (2/11) Pat Stepler (2/25)

Cheri Stout (1/28) (Donna Perkins' sister-in-law)

Lisa Tenerowicz (1/21) (Bethany Buckley's sister)

Mike VanDenHeuvel (1/14) Owen Wevadou (1/21) Tom Williams (2/25)

## Abbey Manor

Anne Kirk Mildred McCormick

#### **Calvert Manor**

Jim Melvin

#### **Elkton Transition**

Amy McCarthy

#### **Laurelwood**

Helen Meyers

#### Thank you

Thank you so much for your kind expressions of love and care since Daddy passed away. I can tell you that each card and each hug or squeeze of the hand has been a comfort and has helped me through this time of mourning and readjustment. I have sent the cards expressing your feelings to Mama so that she can read them and feel a sense of love and support from our Christian family here. May God bless each of you richly. Love, Larry Gaultney

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.