

Elkton United Methodist Church

Sunday, April 1, 2018

Easter Sunday

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

PRELUDE.....“PRAISE THE LAMB WHO REIGNS”HANDBELL CHOIR

**CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Leader: This day dawns brightly!

People: Hope is restored!

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He has conquered death!

Leader: Come, open your hearts and your spirits to the joyous Good News!

People: Let us celebrate the greatest victory of all time!

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen.

**HYMN #302 (UMH)“CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY” (stanzas 1-4)

PRAYER (in unison)

God of new life, we come this morning with our alleluias, our banners and flowers and trumpets and song. We come to worship in beauty and in truth because we have faith that Jesus Christ is raised from the dead, because we have hope that the resurrection will enter into each of our lives and transform them, and because, through Christ’s Spirit, we have come to love one another. Accept our worship, Gracious God. Be present with us as daystar, miracle, and mystery, and as the tender hands of grace. For we pray in the name of the resurrected Christ. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING“MIGHTY IS THE POWER OF THE CROSS” MEN'S CHOIR

EPISTLE LESSON, ACTS 10:34-43 (pages 129 & 130)

MUSICAL OFFERING.....“THE LORD OF LIFE” CHANCEL CHOIR

**GOSPEL LESSON, JOHN 20:1-18 (pages 114 & 115)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

**RESPONSE #177 (UMH)“HE IS LORD”

He is Lord, he is Lord! He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

SERMON.....“ROLLING STONES” REV. KAREN F. BUNNELL

**HYMN #304 (UMH)“EASTER PEOPLE, RAISE YOUR VOICES”

EASTER 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“THE STRIFE IS O’ER” HYMNTUNE: VICTORY

**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 #364 (UMH)..... “BECAUSE HE LIVES”

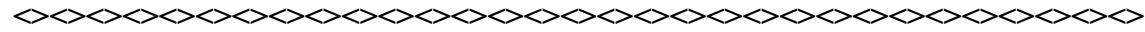
**DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

**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..... “ALLELUIA”ARR. BY C. W. JOHNSON

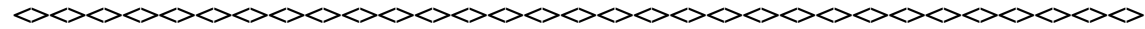


****Indicates the congregation should stand if able**

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 GilmoreChoir Director
Katie Sparks Director of Children and Education Ministries
Kay Mortimer..... Secretary
Laurie Ruth Treasurer
Sandy WherryDirector of Youth
Sharon Williams.....Organist/Coordinator of Music Ministries
Sylvia Honesty/Donna Horgan Sextons

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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 and click on the "Sermons" link and there you will see a link to the You Tube site for our sermons.

EASTER BREAKFAST IS BEING SERVED! Come and enjoy a wonderful breakfast prepared by Jamie and Gerry Treese all morning (from 7:30 – 10:30 am)! It's being held in Weldin Hall.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE IS SUNDAY, APRIL 15TH – You can sign up to donate this morning or next Sunday morning at the table in the Hospitality Area. The blood drive will take place in Weldin Hall all morning on the 15th, so please donate if you're able, and if you're not, perhaps you can help with sign-in or refreshments. If so, contact Mike at fostemi520@gmail.com.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES – We're starting to collect items for the final college care package of the school year, so please bring your donations of goodies (granola bars, gum, candy, cookies, snacks, etc.) to the donation box near the Welcome Center.

A NEW SESSION OF CHAIR YOGA IS STARTING – If you're interested in a way to increase your flexibility/stability and decrease your stress, chair yoga might be for you. A new six-week session begins on Wednesday, April 4th at 5 pm in Weldin Hall. Cost is \$50 for the six weeks. To sign up, email Ali at a.mckenica@gmail.com.

WIRED WORD DISCUSSION GROUP – Evangelist Billy Graham 'Changes His Address' – Billy Graham "changed his address" February 21, leaving his earthly home in Montreat, North Carolina, for his new home in glory. He was 99. He is survived by five children and an estimated 2.2 million spiritual children who made decisions to follow Christ through his ministry. Come and share the rich legacy of his life and learn Five Things Anyone Can Do to Introduce Others to Jesus. We will meet on Thursday, April 5th at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room. Everyone is welcome!

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHURCH? If you are, then you're invited to take part in the next New Member Orientation Class which will be held on Sunday, April 15 at 12:30 p.m. in Weldin Hall. If you'd like to attend, email eumc@comcast.net or call the church office at 410-398-0933.

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.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 1, 2018 – EASTER SUNDAY!

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM Easter Worship Services
8:30 AM-12:00 PM..... Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten
7:30 AM-10:30 AM..... Easter Breakfast (Weldin Hall)

MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2018

Office Closed – Easter Holiday

9:00 AM..... AARP Tax Help (Weldin Hall)

TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2018

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2018

6:15 PM Communion (Chapel)

THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 2018

12:30 PM Weight Watchers Meeting (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM Missions Committee Meeting (Room 34–Wesley Wing)
7:00 PM Wired Word Discussion Group (Conference Room)
8:00 PM AA Meeting (Room 1)

SATURDAY, APRIL 7, 2018

8:00 AM-2:00 PM..... District Leadership Training



PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leader: Dick Gochnauer

Readers: 8:30 – Susan Starrett 11:00 – Nicole Stauffer

Musician: Mark Macturk, Trumpet

Acolytes: 8:30 – Emmett Slayman 11:00 – Jack Edler

Greeters: 8:30 – Cathy and Norman Petterson
11:00 – Betty McCarthy and Teresa Grunert

Welcome Center:

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

Hospitality: No table this morning – Happy Easter!

Hall Monitors: 8:30 – Ken McCoy 11:00 – Carol Robinson

Nursery: 8:30 – TBD 11:00 – TBD

Tech Team: 8:30 – Joe Buckley and Paige Laning
11:00 – Rich Juergens and Bart Funke

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.

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

Members and Friends

Cindy Abrams (3/4) (McDowell’s
niece)

Ben Allen (2/25) (Nadine’s brother)

Duane Arentzen (4/1)

Gifford Biles (3/4)

Peg Bunnell (2/25)

Beth Camarra (3/4)

Frank Cebula (3/4)

John Clark (4/1)

Dottie Cochran (3/4)

DACA and TPS People (3/4)

Henry Jacobs (3/25)

Mark Krauss (3/4)

Amy McCarthy (3/25)

Ken McCoy (4/1)

Jackie McGuirk (3/4)

Cheryl McKeown (3/11)

Ed McKeown (3/25)

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

Jane Arrants-Parrack (4/1)

Bill Pinder (3/4)

Dave Pugh (3/25)

Bob Shumate (3/4) (Ina’s brother-in-
law)

Ed Sprague (4/1)

Cheri Stout (3/18) (Donna Perkins’
sister-in-law)

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

Mike VanDenHeuvel (3/4)

Fran & Bill Vassalotti (3/11)

Owen Wevadou (3/4)

Abbey Manor

Anne Kirk

Mildred McCormick

Calvert Manor

Jim Melvin

Elkton Transition

Lillian Armstrong

Laurelwood

Helen Meyers

Sympathy

Thompson & Hernandez families

Debbie Roberts & family

Suzanne Nowiki

(friends of Kim Heath)

Thank you

To everyone for their prayers, cards
and visits during my recent surgery
and recovery. Tom Williams

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.**