Elkton United Methodist Church Sunday, April 8, 2018 Second Sunday of Easter

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

and glory forever. Amen.

GREETING AND WELCOME TIME OF CENTERING PRAYER 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: Today is a new day! People: New life is rising among us! Leader: Today we are challenged to live fully in God's love! People: So we will greet one another in love and praise the God who uplifts each of us in grace! Alleluia! Amen! All: PRAYER (in unison) What an awe-inspiring thing it is, O God, to fall into your hands; to be shaped like clay; to be forged through the fire of suffering and conflict! Grant that we might rejoice in your work within and among us, and that we might find our home in the hollow of your hand, through Jesus our Risen Christ, to whom be praise and honor

| LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, PSALM 133 (page 575) | | | | |
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| MUSICAL OFFERING – (8:30 & 11) | | | | |
| **GOSPEL LESSON, MATTHEW 5:13-19 (page 4) Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. People: Thanks be to God. | | | | |
| **RESPONSE #177 (UMH) | | | | |
| SERMON "FULFILLING THE LAW" THE REV. SHERYL ALLSTON | | | | |
| **HYMN #560 (UMH) "HELP US ACCEPT EACH OTHER" | | | | |
| 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) | | | | |
| Announcements | | | | |
| CALL TO OFFERING AND OFFERTORY PRAYER | | | | |
| OFFERTORY – "THE LORD REIGNS, ALLELUIA" PETERSON | | | | |
| **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 #437 (UMH)"This is My Song |
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| **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. |
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| **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) |
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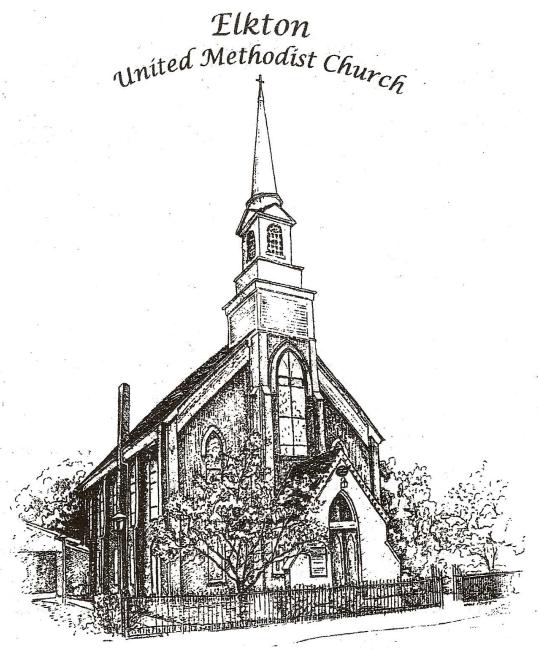
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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!

WELCOME GUEST PREACHER SHERYL ALLSTON — We welcome the Rev. Sheryl Allston to our pulpit today. Sheryl is an ordained United Methodist elder who currently serves as a Staff Chaplain at Christiana Care Health System. In addition to that, she serves as Chaplain to the Wilmington Police Department, and serves on the Conflict Resolution Team for the Peninsula-Delaware Conference. Sheryl is a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America, Wilmington University and Princeton Theological Seminary. We welcome Sheryl to Elkton UMC this morning!

VIDEO OF TODAY'S SERMON – A video of today's service will be posted on the church website, elktonumc.org, by this evening. To watch the video, go to the website, click on the "Sermons" link and there you will see (on the far right side) a link to the YouTube site for the video.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE IS SUNDAY, APRIL 15TH – We'll be having our next Blood Drive next Sunday, April 15th in Weldin Hall all morning long. You can sign up to donate this morning at the table in the Hospitality Area. Please donate if you can, but if you can't, perhaps you can talk to the folks at the sign-up table about other ways you can help.

CAMP PECOMETH PRESENTATION – A representative from our conference's Camp Pecometh will be with us next Sunday, April 15th to speak about summer opportunities for our children and youth at camp. She will speak briefly at both services, but will give a full presentation for our Sunday School children/youth and their parents in the sanctuary at 9:45 a.m. Come and learn about the wonderful and growing times available at Pecometh this summer – and don't forget that every EUMC child who attends receives a \$100 scholarship to camp from the church!

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHURCH? If you are, then you're invited to take part in the next New Member Orientation Class next Sunday, April 15th 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.

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.

BRAIN TUMOR WALK – Our church, led by the Missions Committee, is fielding a team for the upcoming Brain Tumor Walk in Wilmington on April 21st. If you like to participate in this fundraising event, please see or email Mike Foster at fstemi520@gmail.com.

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!

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

| TODAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018 | |
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| 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM | 1 |
| 8:30 AM-12:00 PM | Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten |
| 9:30 AM-12:30 PM | Blood Pressure Screenings (Parish Nurse Office) |
| 6:00 PM | Youth Group |
| Monday, April 9, 2018 | |
| 9:00 AM | AARP Tax Help (Weldin Hall) |
| 6:00 PM | Cub Scouts (Weldin Hall) |
| 7:00 PM | Boy Scouts (Room 1) |
| 7:00 PM | Handbell Choir Rehearsal |

TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2018

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

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2018

| 9:00 AM | Disciple Class (Room 1) |
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| 10:30 AM | Tele-Care Ministry Meeting (Room 1) |
| 12:00 PM | Ruth-Sarah Circle Meeting (Weldin Hall) |
| 6:15 PM | |
| 6:30 PM | |
| 6:30 PM | Men's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |
| 7:00 PM | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2018

| 12:30 PM | |
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| 6:30 PM | |
| 6:30 PM | Boy Scout Committee Meeting (Chapel) |
| 8:00 PM | AA Meeting (Room 1) |

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.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leader: Joe Tanner

Readers: 8:30 – Laurie Alphin 11:00 – Gretchen Ginder

Acolytes: 8:30 – Nate Kovicak 11:00 – Kaitlyn Czarnecki

Greeters: 8:30 – Sue Ivey and 11:00 – Nancy and George Leathrum

Judy Pugh

Welcome Center:

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

9:30-9:50 – Evelyn Jones 12:00-12:20 – Donna Perkins

Hospitality: 8:30 – Diane Shortall and 11:00 – Maryann Schmook and

Sue Ivey Sheila Hendricks

Hall Monitors: 8:30 – Don Andrews 11:00 – Barb and Sonny Tenney

Nursery: 8:30 – Jack Kovicak 11:00 – Larraine Campbell

Tech Team: 8:30 – Jamie Laning and 11:00 – Roger Robinson and

Paige Laning 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 memory of our nephews, Ryker, Matthew and Philip, given by Jane and Bob MacDonald.

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

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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 (4/8) (Nadine's brother)

Duane Arentzen (4/1)
Gifford Biles (3/4)
Peg Bunnell (4/8)
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)

Jen Redmond (4/8) (Gruebel's

neighbor)

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

law)

Ed Sprague (4/1)

Cheri Stout (3/18) (Donna Perkins'

sister-in-law)

Charles Strosnider (4/8) (Gail

Garber's brother)

Lisa Tenerowicz (4/1) (Bethany

Buckley's sister)

Mike VanDenHeuvel (3/4) Fran & Bill Vassalotti (3/11)

Owen Wevadou (3/4)

Abbey Manor

Mildred McCormick

Calvert Manor

Jim Melvin

Elkton Transition

Lillian Armstrong

Laurelwood

Helen Meyers

Sympathy

To the family and friends of

Anne Kirk

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.