

Elkton United Methodist Church

Sunday, September 23, 2018

Christian Education 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 “ANDANTE” HANDEL

RESPONSE #2164 (TFWS) “SANCTUARY”

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Leader: In faith, Abraham and Sarah set out for a new land.

People: In faith, we seek to follow God in our lives.

Leader: In faith, the church seeks to discern the future to which God calls us in our age.

People: God of the present, past, and future, guide us now to your new age of promise.

**HYMN #2004 (TFWS) “PRAISE THE SOURCE OF FAITH AND LEARNING”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER (in unison)

Christ Jesus, too often we have lived as if we did not need you, pretending that life is what we make it. In those exceptional moments of openness when we received the gift of faith, we have assumed it was given for ourselves alone. Awaken us by your Spirit to fuller dimensions of faith. Lead us to find in our neighbors the opportunities for love, in the social order the possibilities for justice, and in the affairs of nations the potential for peace. Reform our attitudes and behaviors until in every circumstance we may, by your grace, be the instruments of your saving Word. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

MUSICAL OFFERING (8:30 & 11:00) –..... PAUL HUMPHREY, SAXOPHONE SOLO

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO SECOND GRADERS

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, PSALM 119:33-49 (page 567)

MUSICAL OFFERING (8:30) –..... PAUL HUMPHREY, SAXOPHONE SOLO
(11:00) –... “COME, ALL CHRISTIANS, BE COMMITTED”. CHANCEL CHOIR

**GOSPEL LESSON, LUKE 2:41-47 (page 59)

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

People: Thanks be to God.

**RESPONSE #393 (UMH)..... “SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD”

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

SERMON “SCHOOL DAYS! SCHOOL DAYS! REV. KAREN F. BUNNELL
III - BOOKS”

**HYMN #2246 (TFWS)..... “DEEP IN THE SHADOWS OF THE PAST”

DEDICATION OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION TEACHERS AND LEADERS (see yellow insert)

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) –“AIR”..... HANDEL
 (11:00) – PAUL HUMPHREY, SAXOPHONE 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!**

**HYMN #2197 (TFWS)“LORD OF ALL HOPEFULNESS”

**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“VOLUNTARY IN D MAJOR”..... CHARPENTIER

**Indicates the congregation should stand if able

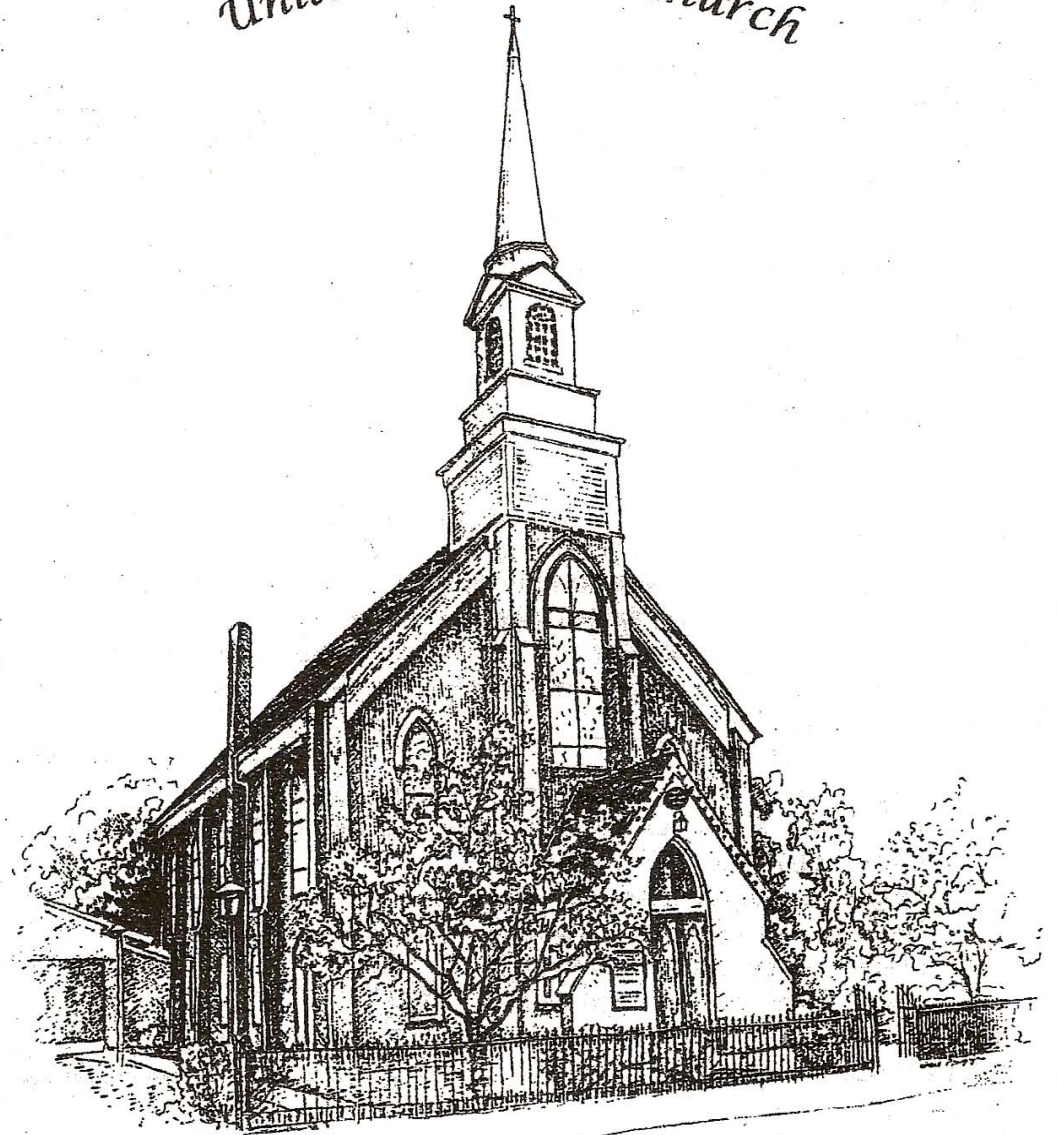
UMH: United Methodist Hymnal (red cover)
 TFWS: The Faith We Sing (black cover) - found in the rack underneath the pew in front of you
 W&S: Worship & Song (green cover)

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“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. 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.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN HELP NEEDED – If you can provide sandwiches or fruit for the lunch on Friday, October 5th, please stop at the sign-up table down in the Hospitality Area today.

MENTORS STILL NEEDED – We're still looking for people who have an hour a week to give as a mentor to an elementary school child. It's not too late to get on board! If you're interested, please email eumc@comcast.net or call the church office.

CUB SCOUT POPCORN SALE TODAY! Members of our very own Cub Pack 443 will be selling popcorn downstairs in the hospitality area after both services today. This is their major fundraising effort for the year, so please stop by and purchase some, and help fund their wonderful activities and programs.

COMMON GROUND – A new support group called “Common Ground” will begin on October 10th. The group will meet the 2nd Wednesday of every month in Room 1 starting at 1:00 p.m. It will be a sharing and support group where we'll have the opportunity to discuss our faith as it relates to the ups and downs in life. Rev. Graham will serve as moderator. A bulletin sign up will start next Sunday.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT COMMUNION – Holy communion led by Ivan Mehosky is offered every Wednesday evening at 6:15 p.m. in the Chapel. All are welcome!

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, October 7 - World Communion Sunday
Sunday, October 21 - Health Fair in Weldin Hall
Sunday, November 4 - All Saints Sunday
Saturday, November 10 - Spaghetti Dinner

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

8:30 AM & 11:00 AM..... Worship Services
8:30 AM-12:30 PM..... Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten (Rm. 24)
9:15 AM Childrens' Choir Rehearsal (Room 1)
9:30 AM College Outreach Mailing (Weldin Hall)
9:45 AM Sunday School (all ages)
5:30 PM..... Youth Group (Weldin Hall)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018

5:30 PM..... Gentle Yoga (Hospitality Area)
6:00 PM..... Cub Scout Meeting (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM..... Stewardship Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
7:00 PM..... Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Room 26)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2018

5:00 PM..... Chair Yoga (Wesley Wing)
7:00 PM..... Cecil County Choral Society Rehearsal (WH)
7:00 PM..... Nar-Anon Meeting (Room 1)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2018

6:15 PM..... Communion (Chapel)
6:30-8:00 PM Prom Boutique (Basement)
6:30 PM..... Men's Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM..... Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM..... Boy Scout Troop Meeting (Weldin Hall)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2018

12:30 PM..... Weight Watchers Meeting (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM..... Emmaus Gathering (Sanctuary)
8:00 PM..... AA Meeting (Room 1)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2018

10:00 AM-12:00 PM Prom Boutique (Basement)

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

Shane Hatfield (friend of the
Pugh's)

Capt. Tim Johnson

Elizabeth Juergens

Eric Luppold

Garrett Mann

Joe Moore

Brandon 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

Robyn Graham

Barbara McKeown

Members and Friends

Ben Allen (9/16) (Nadine’s brother)

Alba Bates (9/16)

Henrietta Boyce-Egner (8/26)

Enid Brumbley (9/16) Diane Mauk’s
mother

Peg Bunnell (9/23)

Beth Camarra (9/16)

Vickie Cebula (9/16)

Beverly Cheeks (9/2)

Marge Bryson Clayton (9/16)

Dottie Cochran (9/9)

Ruth Dvorak (9/9) (Sonia Dulin’s
sister)

Kimberly Edler (9/16)

Bill Ferringer (9/2)

Marlene Gautsch (9/16)

Richard Hampton (9/16) (Donna
Perkins’ uncle)

David Hatfield (9/2) (Lucille
Russell’s brother-in-law)

Barbara Herr (9/2) (Dick
Gochnauer’s sister)

Lois & Larry Levy (9/16)

Ken McCoy (9/9)

Ed McKeown (9/9)

Al Morgan (9/2)

Jane Arrants-Parrack (9/9)

Jen Redmond (9/9) (Gruebel’s
neighbor)

Bob Shumate (9/9) (Ina Andrew’s
brother-in-law)

Jennifer Spangenberg (9/2)

Cheri Stout (9/9) (Donna Perkins’
sister-in-law)

Kelly Thompson (9/23) (Murray &
Dianne’s daughter-in-law)

Mike VanDenHeuvel (9/9)

Bill Vassalotti (8/26)

Linda Webster (9/9)

Ken Wesley (9/2)

Owen Wevadou (9/9)

Carolyn Williams (9/9) (Murray
Thompson’s sister)

Abbey Manor

Mildred McCormick

Calvert Manor

Henry Jacobs

Jim Melvin

Citizens Nursing Home

Jackie McGuirk

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.**

WANT TO HELP A CHILD SUCCEED?

We're looking for mentors to work with children at Thomson Estates Elementary School this year. It only takes an hour of your time each week, but it means the world to a child!

There will be an information meeting at the school this Thursday, September 18th from 9:30 - 10:30 am where you can learn more about it.

Studies have shown that children who have mentors thrive. Will you give an hour a week of your time to help make that happen?

Name _____

Email _____

Phone # _____

(Please place this in the offering plate, and someone from the TEES team will contact you.)



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FREE – Public Invited

Participants Include:

Blo Health Department
 Upper Bay Counseling
 Union Hospital Education Outreach
 Breast Center
 Dr. Laudenberger – Podiatrist
 Health Snacks Table for kids
 Calvert Manor HealthCare Center
 Walgreens – Flu Shots
 Blood Pressure Monitoring –
 Northside Pharmacy
 CPR Training

“Say NO to Drugs & Alcohol” –
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