

Elkton United Methodist Church

Sunday, November 25, 2018

Children's 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 1ST AND 2ND GRADE CLASS

TIME OF CENTERING PRAYER

PRELUDE "PRELUDE ON FIFTH TONE" JULIEN

RESPONSE #2088 (TFWS) "LORD, I LIFT YOUR NAME ON HIGH"

**Lord, I lift your name on high; Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad you're in my life; I'm so glad you came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift your name on high.**

**CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)..... 3RD & 4TH GRADE CLASS

Leader: We have come to praise God, who has done wonderful things for us.

People: In Jesus, the Christ, God has shown us love, hope, peace, and thanksgiving.

Leader: Sing praises to God's name, bow before God in prayer, and give thanks for the gifts and the blessings he has given.

People: Let us praise and give thanks to God together!

**HYMN #3177 (W&S) "HERE I AM TO WORSHIP"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison) CONFIRMATION CLASS

Most gracious God, we confess that we often count our trials rather than our blessings. We get stuck in the frustrations of every day and forget that you are faithful with an ever-enduring love. Shine your love on us

today as we worship you. Enlighten us to the blessings that are around us every day. Let us show your love and your light to all those around us so that we can keep Thanksgiving in our hearts throughout the year. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

MUSICAL OFFERING (8:30 & 11:00) – "SUPER WONDERFUL..... YOUTH CHOIR

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, PSALM 100:1-4 (page 552)

MUSICAL OFFERING (8:30) –..... JACK KOVICAK
(11:00) - ... "FATHER, I STRETCH MY HANDS TO YOU"..... CHANCEL CHOIR

**GOSPEL LESSON, JOHN 1:15-18 (page 92)

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 5TH AND 6TH GRADE CLASS

**HYMN #92 (UMH)..... "FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH"

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison) BOBBY HEATH

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) –“FUGUE” KERCKHOVEN
(11:00) – JACK KOVICAK

**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!**

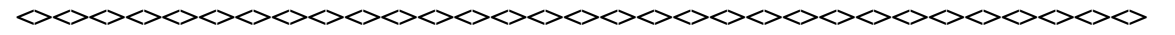
**HYMN #3023 (W&S)“FOREVER (GOD IS FAITHFUL)”

**DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

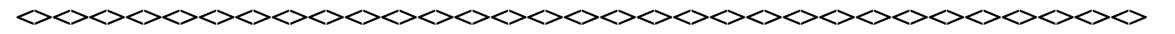
**Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, bind us together in love.**

POSTLUDE“FANFARE ON AN ORIGINAL THEME” MARTIN



****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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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 TO CHILDREN'S SUNDAY! The children and youth of our Sunday School have put together and are leading today's Children's Sunday service. Many thanks go to all of them and also to Jen Noll who coordinated it all. We're delighted to have them lead us in worship today!

VIDEO OF TODAY'S SERMON – A video of today's service will be posted on our church website by later this evening. 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 our YouTube channel which hosts all our services this year.

BOY SCOUT WREATHS – If you ordered a wreath from our Boy Scout Troop 443, you can pick it up from them downstairs this morning.

CHARGE CONFERENCE REPORTS – If you chair one of the boards or ministry committees of the church, don't forget that your one-page report for the Charge Conference packet is due in to the church office TODAY.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT COMMUNION – On Wednesday evening, Holy Communion is offered in the chapel at 6:15 p.m. and is led by Ivan Mehosky. All are welcome.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS CHANGING – Our church office hours are changing beginning tomorrow (11/26/18). We will now be opening each day at 9 am rather than 8 am. The office hours are now Monday – Thursday, 9 am – 12:00 noon, 12:30 pm – 3 pm; and Fridays, 9 am – 12 noon

LOOKING AHEAD

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2ND – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:45 - SPECIAL GENERAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATION

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH – UMW COOKIE WALK

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9TH – CECIL COUNTY CHORAL SOCIETY CONCERT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15TH – CHARGE CONFERENCE

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 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 Youth Choir Rehearsal (Room 1)
9:45 AM Sunday School (all ages)
6:00 PM..... NO Youth Group

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2018

11:00 AM Line Dancing (Weldin Hall)
6:00 PM..... Cub Scout Meeting (Weldin Hall)
7:00 PM..... Administrative Council (Conference Room)
7:00 PM..... Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Room 26)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2018

7:00 PM..... Cecil County Choral Society Rehearsal (WH)
7:00 PM..... Nar-Anon Meeting (Room 1)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2018

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2018

12:30 PM..... Weight Watchers
7:00 PM..... Lay Academy (Weldin Hall & Wesley Wing)
8:00 PM..... AA Meeting (Room 1)

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leader: Jen Noll

Acolytes: 8:30 – Kyle Forman 11:00 – Sienna Graham

Greeters: 8:30 – Jane and Bob MacDonald 11:00 – Vanita and Bill Carroll

Welcome Center:

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

Hospitality: 8:30 – Terry White and 11:00 – Phyllis McCoy and
Gale Willis Gretchen Ginder

Hall Monitors: 8:30 – Lorraine & Rich Jones 11:00 – Ken McCoy

Nursery: 8:30 – TBD 11:00 – Karen Gravatt

Tech Team: 8:30 – Rob Kovicak and 11:00 – Rich Juergens and
Paige Laning Sonny Tenney

Parking Lot

Knights: Kevin White, Wayne Eller, Ken McCoy, Bob Perkins, Gary Lewis,
Rod Perrine and Jack Williams.

Ushers: 8:30 – Katie Zimmer, Avery DiGregorio Edler, Josh Noll, Lauren
Zimmer, Julie Czarnecki, Grace Starrett..
11:00 – Taylor Molnar, Ada Mackie, Jack Starrett, Josh Noll,
Lauren Zimmer, Katie Zimmer.

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are in honor of our children and grandchildren by Ellen and Rich Gruebel.

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

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

Members and Friends

Cindy Abrams (11/11) (Ted & Deb
McDowell’s niece)

Ben Allen (11/25) (Nadine’s brother)

Les Andrews (11/4)

Julie Argoe (11/4)

Kathy Brown (11/25)

Enid Brumbley (11/25) Diane Mauk’s
mother

Vickie Cebula (11/25)

Ruth Dvorak (11/25) (Sonia Dulin’s
sister)

Marlene Gautsch (11/25)

Robyn Graham (11/25)

Charlotte Gruebel (11/11) (Rich’s
mother)

Barbara Herr (11/11) (Dick
Gochnauer’s sister)

Ken McCoy (11/25)

Keith McKenica (11/25)

Ed McKeown (11/25)

Al Morgan (11/26)

Carrie Olewine (11/4)

Ernie Olsen (11/25)

Jane Arrants-Parrack (11/25)

John Pugh (11/4)

Audrey Russell (11/11) (Lucille’s
mother-in-law)

Bob Shumate (11/25) (Ina Andrew’s
brother-in-law)

Quinn Steward (10/28)

Cheri Stout (11/25) (Donna Perkins’
sister-in-law)

Mike VanDenHeuvel (11/25)

Owen Wevadou (11/25)

Cathy Williams (11/25)

Connie Wilkinson (11/11)

Ken Wyerman (11/25) (Sue Ivey’s
father)

Abbev Manor

Mildred McCormick

Calvert Manor

Henry Jacobs

Jim Melvin

Citizens Nursing Home

Jackie McGuirk

Elkton Transition

Wanda Webber

Laurelwood

Helen Meyers

Sympathy

To the family and friends
of Bettie Murray

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.**