### **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 Rev. Carlos Reyes-Rodriguez

### **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: Joe DeHaven Randy Fisher (Phyllis Bixler's cousin's husband) Shane Hatfield (friend of the Pugh's) William Hawkins (MacDonalds' grandson) Capt. Tim Johnson Elizabeth Juergens Garrett Mann Joe Moore Brandon Pearson Jeremy Sanders Zachary Schmook Ethan Senn Zachary Senn Kyle Senn Jeff Smith Samantha Stapp (Nancy Leathrum's cousin) Thomas Walmsley (Carolann Lewis' grandson) William Henry Wright, Jr. Matthew Yarrington (Wanda Jackson's son-in-law) Jacob Zervas

### <u>Hospital</u>

Kameron Salamon (Nadine Allen's great-grandson) Dan McCool

### **Members and Friends**

Les Andrews (12/1) Melissa Bondi (12/1) (Gretchen Ginder's sister) Peg Bunnell (12/1) Beth Camarra (12/1) Vickie Cebula (12/1) Mildred Chinski (12/1) Virginia Davis (12/15) (Grace Achuff's mother) Barbara Dean (12/15) Sadie Detweiler (12/15) Nancy Draper (12/1) Irene Dunlap (12/15) Ruth Dvorak (12/15) (Sonia Dulin's Sister) Jack Edler (12/22)Kim Ernst (12/15) Todd Foucek (12/1) Finley Freedman (12/1) Scott Gallen (12/1) (Faith Seltzer's son) Marlene Gautsch (12/1)Cathy Haley (12/1) Josh Hamilton (12/15) Muff Hurst (12/15) Marge Jacobs (12/15) Bob Johnson (11/17) Ryan Kosinski (12/8) Mary Mackie (11/24) Lisa Malin (11/24) Ken McCoy (12/1) Ed McKeown (12/1) Al Morgan (12/1) Diana Morgan-Klusak (12/1) Patrick Neagle (12/15) (Bill Moffitt's grandson) Bill Osburn (12/1) Jane Arrants-Parrack (12/1) Gail Piazza (12/1) Patty Roadcap (12/1) Tom Runyon (12/15) (Neta's son) Ray Rutter (12/15) (Faith Seltzer's son-in-law)

Frances Schneider (12/1) Wayne Scholz (12/1) Jay Sexton (12/1) Stos Sfinas (12/1) Robert Shumate (12/15) (Ina Andrews' brother-in-law) Carol Sise (12/1) Claire Sneeringer (12/15) (Andrea Funke's niece) Mike VanDenHeuvel (12/1) Bob Waddington (12/15) Lance Waltzer (12/1) Owen Wevadou (12/1) Ann Whitt (12/1) Denise Willhelm (12/1) Carolyn Williams (12/8) (Murray Thompson's sister) Rodger Williams (12/8) Murray Thompson's nephew) Ken Wyerman (12/1) (Sue Ivey's father)

### Abbey Manor

Jane Cebula

### Calvert Manor

Henry Jacobs Jim Melvin

Wilmington Hospital Rehab Bill Mackie

### Appreciation

Would like to thank all of my church family for their support and good wishes through the time of my mother's passing. I so appreciate their loving support, beautiful cards, and all their warm hugs. Lovingly, Barb Pinder

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.

## PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leade	er: Kim Artrip	
Reader:	Jack Kovicak	
Acolyte:	Courtney Forman	
Greeters:	Andrea & Keith McKenica Cheryl Ferringer & Sandra Funke	
Welcome Cent	er: Bethany Buckley & Kelly Eddinger	
Hospitality:	Andee McKenica & Judy Tanner Ruth Loomis & Arlene Zappo	
Hall Monitors:	Dave Sentman & Ken McCoy	
Nursery:	TBD	
Tech Team:	Rob & Nate Kovicak Roger Robinson & Laura Hamilton	
Parking Lot Knights:	Kevin White, Wayne Eller, Ken McCoy, Bob Perkins, Gary Lewis, Rod Perrine and Jack Williams.	
Ushers:	Murray Thompson, Rich Gruebel, Wayne Scholz, Jamie Laning, Jane MacDonald, Bob MacDonald, Deborah McDowell, Ted McDowell, Frank Deibert, Charles Campbell, Ken McCoy, Barton Funke, Robert Mitchell, Michael Schmook, Ray Whiteoak	

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are given by Joe and Judy Tanner, wishing the Church and the Congregation a Happy and Healthy 2020. New Year Blessings to all.

**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.

## **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 SERVICE -** 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 service is now posted on-line as well. To see a video, go to the church website, elktonumc.org, and click on the "Sermons" link and there you will see a link to our You Tube Channel where you can watch the entire service each week.

**REMINDER TO THOSE WHO GIVE THEIR OFFERINGS ONLINE** - If you changed the amount you're giving to the church for 2020 from that which you gave this year, you need to go to the website to make that change. Otherwise, Vanco will still submit 2019's amount. Simply go to the church website, clink on "online donations" and make the change there. Don't forget to also delete the 2019 figure, so they don't take out both amounts! Questions? Call the church office.

**INVITATION TO ONLINE GIVING** - The first of a new year is a great time to make the switch to online giving! It's easy to do, and benefits both you and the church. Online giving provides a steady source of income for the church even when online givers are away on vacation or out sick, or worship has to be cancelled because of bad weather. It's very easy to sign up for online giving through our church website. Simply go to the church website – elktonumc.org – click on "online donations" and you'll be walked through the process. If you have questions or need assistance, call the church office.

**CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE** – Just a reminder that the church office will be closed on Wednesday, January  $1^{st}$  in observance of New Year's Day.

**NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT COMMUNION THIS WEEK** due to the New Year's holiday. Communion will resume on Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm in the Chapel.

**ROTATING HOMELESS SHELTER** - Our church will be teaming up with the Cecilton UMC parish to provide the shelter the week of January 20-26<sup>th</sup>. If you'd like to help by serving as a host/hostess, doing intake work, making a meal or staying overnight, please sign up on the form on the Missions bulletin board downstairs in the hospitality area. For more information, see Heidi or Larry Gaultney.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)**

**THANK YOU!** Millie Jones and the Angel Tree Committee would like to thank the congregation for their participation in the Angel Tree Program again this year. They were able to deliver 54 packages to children in the area.

**NEW CHAIRS IN THE SANCTUARY** – While completing an accessibility audit for our church in advance of the Charge Conference in November, we became aware that having some chairs with arms on them in the sanctuary would benefit those with mobility issues. Therefore, we have removed the very back pew on the left hand side of the sanctuary (facing the altar) and replaced it with two arm chairs with a table in between. If we find that more chairs are needed, we will add them. If it would be helpful for you to be more comfortable sitting in (and getting up from) an armchair rather than a pew, please try one of these chairs. We hope this change makes coming to church a better experience for you!

# THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

### TODAY, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2019

10:00 AM	.Worship Service
10:00 AM	.Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten (Room 24)
12:00 PM	

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2019

6:00 PM.....Cub Scout Meeting (Weldin Hall)

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2019

7:00 PM	.LULAC (Parlor)
7:00 PM	.Nar-Anon Meeting (Room 1)

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2020 – OFFICE CLOSED



## THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 2020

12:00 PM	Weight Watchers (Weldin Hall)
	Board of Laity (Room 34)
8:00 PM	•