

Elkton United Methodist Church
Sunday, January 6, 2019
Epiphany 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.
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LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES AND RINGING OF CHIMES

GREETING AND WELCOME

TIME OF CENTERING PRAYER

PRELUDE “PRIERE” WAGNER

RESPONSE #328 (UMH)..... “SURELY THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD”

**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: Arise, shine, for your light has come!

People: The glory of the Lord has risen upon us!

Leader: Behold, the nations have come to witness God’s light.

People: Kings have come to behold Christ’s brightness.

Leader: Lift up your eyes and look around!

People: The glory of the Lord has come!

**HYMN #254 (UMH)..... “WE THREE KINGS”

PRAYER (in unison)

Gracious God, you are nearer to us than our very breath, yet we often fail to see you in our everyday lives. Grant us the courage to follow your light, wherever you would lead us. May we follow the kings of old, as they followed the star to find the infant Jesus. Help us give of ourselves, that we may forsake the glitter of things that do not endure, for the brightness of life eternal, found in our Savior Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

MUSICAL OFFERING DUET, KAITLYN AND JULIANNE CZARNECKI

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, ISAIAH 60:1-6 (page 690)

**GOSPEL LESSON, MATTHEW 2:1-12 (page 2)

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

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON.....“CAN WE TALK?” 1 - FOLLOWING THE STARREV. KAREN F. BUNNELL

**HYMN #560 (UMH)..... “HELP US ACCEPT EACH OTHER”

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION, PAGE 12 (UMH)

PRAYERS OF CONFESSION, WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

**THE PEACE

PASTORAL PRAYER

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“SOLILOQUY ” WAGNER

**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!**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING, PAGE 13 (UMH)

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.**

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

Communion will be served by intinction this morning. At the direction of the ushers, you are invited to come forward to the servers, where you will receive the bread, and you are then invited to dip the bread into the juice and consume both elements together. After receiving, you are welcome to pray at the chancel rail for as long as you wish, and then return to your pew.

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

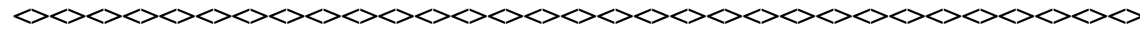
**HYMN #2220 (TFWS)“WE ARE GOD’S PEOPLE”

**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 “RECESSIONAL” WAGNER

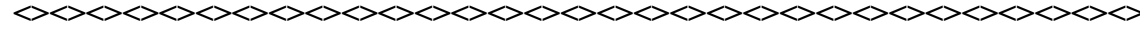


**Indicates the congregation should stand if able

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

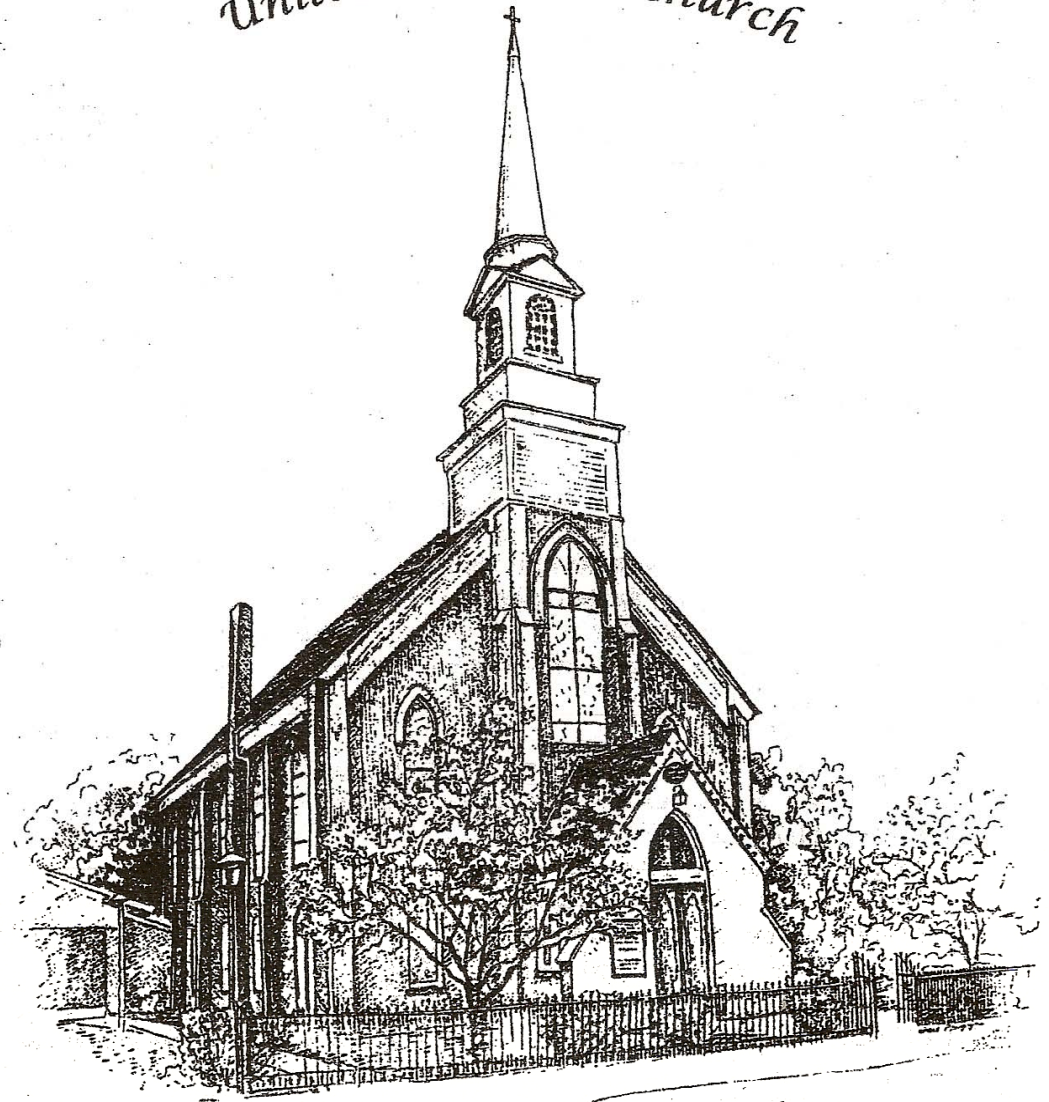
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Joe Archie, District Superintendent

Karen F. Bunnell..... Senior Pastor
Ray Graham..... Associate Pastor of Visitation Ministries
Paul Deemer.....Handbell Director
Steven Gilmore..... Choir Director
Katie Sparks..... Director of Children and Education Ministries
Beth Gullion..... Secretary
Laurie Ruth..... Treasurer
Sandy Wherry..... Director of Youth
Sharon Williams..... Organist/Coordinator of Music Ministries
Sylvia Honesty/Donna Horgan..... Sextons

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“A place to know Jesus, be known by Jesus, and make Him known to others.”

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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!

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 is now 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.

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 SECURITY – In order to do everything possible to ensure our congregation's safety, the Security Committee has begun a new procedure, which is to lock the front door of the church five minutes after services begin. After that point, entry can be gained to the church through the back (parking lot) door where the parking lot “knights” are stationed. A sign will be posted out front about this new procedure. Again, this is meant to be one of the steps we are taking (with more to come) to ensure the safety of all who worship at Elkton UMC.

JOY OF FAITH WEEKEND COMING SOON! In just a matter of a few weeks, this year's Joy of Faith Weekend will take place (Saturday, February 2nd and Sunday, February 3rd). Our entertainment this year is the fabulous Ryan and Friends. Ryan is an incredibly gifted ventriloquist who has been with us before, and we can't wait to see him again! The program on Saturday night at 7 p.m. in our sanctuary will be preceded by a dinner at 5 p.m. in Weldin Hall, catered by Jamie and Gerry Treese. Tickets for that dinner will be on sale in the Hospitality Area starting next Sunday, January 13th. Get your tickets early, because the dinner is sure to sell out!

LOOKING AHEAD

January 18th – 20th - Women's Retreat in Ocean City, MD

**January 27th – Forum and Dialogue Session on “The Way Forward”
(see bulletin insert for details)**

February 2nd – 3rd – Joy of Faith Weekend featuring Ryan and Friends!

February 24th – Boy Scout Sunday with Pancake Breakfast

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2019

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 Youth Group

MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2019

9:00 AM..... AARP Tax Training (Weldin Hall)
6:00 PM Cub Scouts
6:00 PM Women's Retreat Meeting (Conference Room)
6:30 PM Evangelism Committee Meeting (Room 34)
7:00 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Room 26)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2019

9:30 AM..... Stay Active (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM Communications Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
7:00 PM Nar-Anon Meeting (Room 1)
7:00 PM CCCS rehearsal (Weldin Hall)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2019

9:00 AM..... AARP Tax Training (Weldin Hall)
10:30 AM..... Tele-Care Committee Meeting (Room 1)
12:00 PM Ruth Sarah Circle Luncheon (Weldin Hall)
2:00 PM Common Ground
6:15 PM Communion (Chapel)
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop Meeting (Weldin Hall)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019

9:30 AM Stay Active (Weldin Hall)
12:30 PM..... Weight Watchers (Weldin Hall)
8:00 PM AA Meeting (Room 1)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2019

12:00 PM..... Community Blood Drive (Weldin Hall)

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leader: Mike Schmook

Readers: 8:30 – Laurie Alphin 11:00 – Donna Horgan

Acolytes: 8:30 – Katie Zimmer 11:00 – Kaitlyn Czarnecki

Greeters: 8:30 – Joyce Browne &
Trenton Browne 11:00 – Kenny & Phyllis McCoy

Welcome

Center: 8:30 – TBD 11:00 – TBD

Hospitality: 8:30 – Ina Andrews &
Linda Carey 11:00 – Linda Kosinski &
Kim Heath

Hall Monitors: 8:30 – Joe Buckley 11:00 – Barb & Sonny Tenney

Nursery: 8:30 – TBD 11:00 – TBD

Tech Team: 8:30 – Joe Buckley &
Paige Laning 11:00 – Roger Robinson &
Sonny Tenney

Parking Lot

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

Ushers: 8:30 – Murray Thompson, Rich Gruebel, Wayne Scholz, Rich Achuff,
Wayne Eller, Wendy Eller, Keith McKenica and Kevin White.
11:00 – Frank Deibert, Charles Campbell, Ken McCoy, Barton Funke,
Andrea Funke, Phil Norman, Carol Robinson, Roger Robinson,
Maurice Tenney

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are in loving memory of Bob and Ruth Bryson given by Carol Bryson Watts and Kathie Bryson Gray and their Families.

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

Hospital

Marlene Gautsch

Members and Friends

Cindy Abrams (1/6) (Ted & Deb
McDowell’s niece)

Ben Allen (1/6) (Nadine’s brother)

Don Andrews (1/6)

Les Andrews (1/6)

Donna Baker (1/6)

Beth Camarra (1/6)

Vickie Cebula (1/6)

Josephine Correau (1/6) Ron Fetterolf’s
Aunt

Jaxon Davis (1/6)

Barbara Dean (1/6)

Ruth Dvorak (1/6) (Sonia Dulin’s
Sister)

Rev. Dave Franklin (1/6)

Dick Gohnauer (1/6)

Charlotte Gruebel (1/6) (Rich’s
mother)

Sharon Halsey (1/6)

Liz Herr (1/6) (Dick Gohnauer’s
niece)

Brian Kirley (1/6)

Ken McCoy (1/6)

Ed McKeown (1/6)

Ricky Marshall (1/6)

Al Morgan (1/6)

Jane Arrants-Parrack (1/6)

Bob Shumate (1/6) (Ina Andrew’s
brother-in-law)

Tom Stansfield (1/6)

Cheri Stout (1/6) (Donna Perkins’
sister-in-law)

Mike VanDenHeuvel (1/6)

Wanda Webber (1/6)

Owen Wevadou (1/6)

Cathy Williams (1/6)

Connie Wilkinson (1/6)

Ken Wyerman (1/6) (Sue Ivey’s
father)

Abbey Manor

Mildred McCormick

Calvert Manor

Henry Jacobs

Jim Melvin

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.**

January

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