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

Elkton United Methodist Church First Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 10, 2019

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, WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE SEASON OF LENT

TIME OF CENTERING PRAYER

RESPONSE #3096 (W&S)....."GENTLE SHEPHERD"

Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way.

Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us, for we need your strength from day to day.

There's no other we can turn to who can help us face another day;

Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us, for we need you to help us find our way.

**CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Leader: In this season, we worship remembering Jesus' death in love for us and all

people.

People: Lent is a time of tears.

Leader: But out of tears, joy is born – the joy of sin forgiven, hope reborn, and life

restored.

People: We stand in awe of the God who brings joy out of tears, and life out of

death. Let us worship with reverence.

**HYMN #269 (UMH)"LORD, WHO THROUGHOUT THESE FORTY DAYS"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of truth, how difficult it is for us to be truthful before you. We want to hide our anxieties and fears, our resentments and self-centeredness. Cut through our evasions by the truth of your word, and help us to be honest. God of mercy, your hopes for us are greater than our own, yet our failures do not surprise you. Forgive us, we pray, even for the sin we cannot see or find it painful to confess.

God of love, accept us as we are, so that we may accept ourselves. Teach us to affirm what is good in our lives, and to put behind us what is unworthy, that by your grace we may live in confidence and joy, in the manner of Jesus the Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE MUSICAL OFFERING "LORD, HERE I AM" WOMEN'S TRIO LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, PSALM 91: 1-2, 11-16 (page 548) **GOSPEL LESSON, LUKE 4: 1-13 (page 61) Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. **People: Thanks be to God** Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea; beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord; my spirit pants for thee, O Living Word! I – JESUS, OUR STRENGTH" **HYMN #526 (UMH)....."WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS" PASTORAL PRAYER 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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00 – see green insert)

CALL TO OFFERING AND OFFERTORY PRAYER

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11:00	
**DOXOLOGY, #95 (UMH) Praise God, from whom all blessings fl Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A	
**HYMN #2216 (TFWS)	"WHEN WE ARE CALLED TO SING YOUR PRAISE"
**DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING	
**CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Bind us together, Lord, bind us tog Bind us together, Lord, bind us tog	ether with cords that cannot be broken. ether, bind us together in love.
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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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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!

THE SEASON OF LENT – The season of Lent is the forty-day period (not including Sundays), from Ash Wednesday to Easter. During Lent, we are called to a time of contemplation, penitence and confession, a time to intentionally grow deeper in our faith, and a time to ponder what Jesus did for us and our salvation. Because of the solemnity of the season, you will notice changes in our worship service during the Sundays ahead. Some of the sung responses have changed (prayer response, Gospel response); the choir will not process during the opening hymn; we will refrain from applause, and we will sing no alleluias until we raise the glorious Alleluias! of Easter morn.

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.

LENTEN LUNCH AND LEARN – If you have signed up for the class and are purchasing a book, please pick up your book and read the first chapter prior to the first class on Wednesday, March 13th. Books can be picked up from Karen today or from the office during the week. The cost is \$14.00 and checks should be made payable to Elkton United Methodist Church.

CLASSIC CHRISTIANS MEET THIS WEEK! The Classic Christians (age 50 and over) have their March meeting this Friday, the 15th at 6:30 pm in Weldin Hall. The night begins with a potluck dinner (bring a dish to share) and then continues on in the always rowdy and raucous Bingo night! To take part, sign up on the sheet across from the Welcome Center.

THERE'S STILL TIME TO GO TO THE MEN'S RETREAT – Our Men's Retreat takes place next Saturday, the 16th in Weldin Hall, and there's still time to sign up. Details about the day are in a brochure available downstairs at the Welcome Center. Cost is \$25/person and scholarship money is available, if needed. All men of the church (and friends) are welcome!

CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE – We're having another blood drive to help save lives. It will take place on Sunday, March 24th in Weldin Hall. You can sign up to donate in the Hospitality Area today and next Sunday. Please donate if you can – for the need is great!

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.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2019	
8:30 AM & 11:00 AM	Worship Services
8:30 AM-12:30 PM	Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten (Room 24)
9:15 AM	Youth Choir Rehearsal (Room 1)
9:45 AM	Sunday School (all ages)
5:00 PM	Boy Scout Planning Meeting (Room 1)
6:00 PM	Youth Group
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019	
9:00 AM	AARP Tax Service (Weldin Hall)
6:00 PM	Cub Scout Pack Meeting (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM	Stewardship Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
7:00 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Room 26)
TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2019	
9:30 AM	Staff Meeting (Room1)
6:30 PM	Communications Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
7:00 PM	Cecil County Choral Society Rehearsal (Weldin Hall)
7:00 PM	Nar-Anon Meeting (Room 1)
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2019	
10:30 AM	Tele-Care Meeting (Room 1)
12:00 PM	Lenten Lunch and Learn (Weldin Hall)
1:00 PM	Ruth Sarah Circle Meeting (Weldin Hall)
	Common Ground Meeting (Room 1)
6:15 PM	* *
	Men's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	Boy Scout Troop Meeting (Weldin Hall)
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019	
12:00 PM	Weight Watchers (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM	Dorcas Circle (Weldin Hall)
8:00 PM	AA Meeting (Room 1)
FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2019	
6:30 PM	Classic Christians Meeting (Weldin Hall)
SATURDAY, MARCH 16, 2019	
8:30 AM	Men's Retreat (Weldin Hall)



PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leader: Bill Graham

Readers: 8:30 – Keith McKenica 11:00 – Gretchen Ginder

Acolytes: 8:30 – Katie Zimmer 11:00 – Joe Ace

Greeters: 8:30 – Joyce Browne & 11:00 – Bob & Nancy Mitchell

Sonia Dulin

Welcome

Center: 8:30 – Connie Wilkinson 11:00 – Allene Rittenhouse

Hospitality: 8:30 – Sharon Slayman & 11:00 – Kay Mortimer &

Krista Gilmore Kristen Czarnecki

Hall Monitors: 8:30 – Dick Gochnauer 11:00 – Ken McCoy

Nursery: 8:30 – TBD 11:00 – TBD

Tech Team: 8:30 – Rob Kovicak & 11:00 – Rich & Gail Juergens

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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, Jim Dech,

Tim McCardell, Bill Moffitt, Robert Parrack

11:00 – Frank Deibert, Charles Campbell, Ken McCoy, Barton Funke,

William Carroll, Sr., David Gray, Richard Jones, Paul Schneider

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are in memory of our parents given by Hank and Cheryl Fehlman.

We welcome Matthew Cornelius Sparks, son of Katie and John, and brother of Mikey and Alex, into the Body of Christ through the Sacrament of Baptism during the 11:00 service.

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

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

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Jeremy Sanders Zachary Schmook

Ed C

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

Hospital

Ben Allen (2/17) (Nadine's brother) Akiko Johnson (2/24)

Members and Friends

Don Andrews (2/17)

Les Andrews (2/17)

Deanna Barnhart (2/17) (Millie and

Romie Jones' daughter)

Betty Jo Bowling (2/10) (Lea

Gochnauer's sister)

Peg Bunnell (2/17)

Beth Camarra (2/17)

Buddy Camors (2/17)

Vickie Cebula (2/17)

Ginny Corona (2/17)

Josephine Correau (2/17) (Ron

Fetterolf's Aunt)

Jaxon Davis (2/17)

Barbara Dean (2/17)

Ruth Dvorak (2/17) (Sonia Dulin's

Sister)

Dennis Elmore (3/3) (Tom Kyne's

uncle)

Marlene Gautsch (2/17)

Charlotte Gruebel (2/17) (Rich's

mother)

Michele Jones (2/24)

Nancy Leathrum (2/24)

Jack Lloyd (3/3)

Bill Mackie (3/3)

Dili Mackie (3/3)

Ken McCoy (2/17) Ed McKeown (2/17)

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Al Morgan (2/17)

Margaret Olsen (3/3) (Linda Renshaw's

mother)

Angelo Paoletti (2/10)

Jane Arrants-Parrack (2/17)

Rich Robinson (2/10)

Frances Schneider (2/17)

Jay Sexton (3/3)

Stos Sfinas (3/3)

PJ Smith (3/3)

Cheri Stout (2/17) (Donna Perkins'

sister-in-law)

Valerie Sutton (2/17)

Mike VanDenHeuvel (2/17)

Bill Vassalotti (3/3)

Eileen Vitak (2/17)

Owen Wevadou (2/17)

Mary Whitehead (3/3)

Ann Whitt (2/24)

Cathy Williams (2/17)

Ted Woodruff (2/17)

Ken Wyerman (2/17) (Sue Ivey's

father)

Abbey Manor

Mildred McCormick

Calvert Manor

Henry Jacobs Jim Melvin

Sympathy

To Linda Truitt on the death of her aunt Mariorie Bryson Clayton

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.