Elkton United Methodist Church Second Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 17, 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 AND WELCOME

TIME OF CENTERING PRAYER

**CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

Leader: We gather as pilgrims on a journey of faith.

People: We come seeking the awareness of God's presence as we travel on.
Leader: We come seeking light for our darkness, strength in our weakness.
People: Shine in our hearts, O God, with the light of your love. Make your

presence known through Jesus the Christ.

**HYMN #2050 (TFWS).....""MOTHERING GOD, YOU GAVE ME BIRTH"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Eternal God, from the beginning of time you have called your children into communion with you. Yet we confess that like all the rest, we have turned to our own way and refused your love and grace. Restore us to the joy of knowing you, and of recognizing your reign among us, through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION
WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE
MUSICAL OFFERING "UNE LARME" BELL CHOIR ARR. BY P. DEEMER
EPISTLE LESSON, PHILIPPIANS 3:14 - 4:1 (page 198)
Musical Offering - 8:30 "A Londonderry Air"Paul Humphrey, Saxophone 11:00 "I Surrender All"Chancel Choir
**GOSPEL LESSON, LUKE 13: 31-35 (page 77) Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. People: Thanks be to God
**RESPONSE #599 (UMH)
SERMON
**HYMN #2137 (TFWS)"Would I Have Answered When You Called"
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)
Announcements
CALL TO OFFERING AND OFFERTORY PRAYER
OFFERTORY - 8:30

**DOXOLOGY, #95 (UMH) "PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW"
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.
**Hymn #2236 (TFWS)
**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
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**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

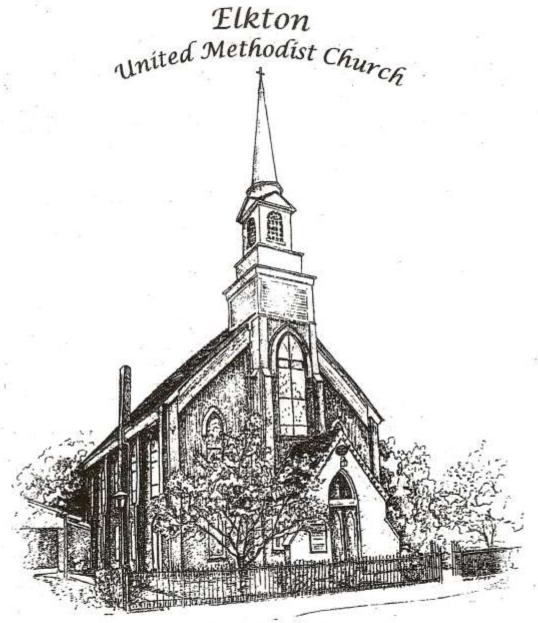
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"A place to know Jesus, be known by Jesus, and make Him known to others."

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!

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.

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

MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST – The monthly Men's Breakfast for March takes place this coming Wednesday, the 20th at 6:30 am at Cracker Barrel. All men of the church are invited to attend. There is no sign-up ahead of time – just show up and enjoy the food, fun and fellowship. The breakfast is usually over by about 7:45.

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.

LOOKING AHEAD

UMCOR Sunday – March 31st (previously known as "One Great Hour of Sharing")

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019	
8:30 AM & 11:00 AM	Worship Services
8:30 AM-12:30 PM	Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten (Room 24)
	Youth Choir Rehearsal (Room 1)
9:45 AM	
6:00 PM	Youth Group
MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2019	
9:00 AM	AARP Tax Service (Weldin Hall)
6:00 PM	Cub Scout Pack Meeting (Weldin Hall)
7:00 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Room 26)
TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2019	
6:30 PM	Trustees Meeting (Conference Room)
6:30 PM	Cub Scout Committee Meeting (Chapel)
7:00 PM	Cecil County Choral Society Rehearsal (Weldin Hall)
7:00 PM	Nar-Anon Meeting (Room 1)
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2019	
6:30 AM	Men's Breakfast (Cracker Barrel)
12:00 PM	Lenten Lunch and Learn (Weldin Hall)
6:00 PM	Cub Scout Planning Meeting (Room 34)
6:15 PM	* * *
	Men's Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	Boy Scout Troop Meeting (Room 1)
7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2019	
8:00 AM	DCOM
	Weight Watchers (Weldin Hall)
	SPRC Meeting (Conference Room)
	Boy Scout Committee Meeting (Chapel)
8:00 PM	AA Meeting (Room 1)



PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Worship Leader: Judy Pugh

Readers: 8:30 – Betty Sprague 11:00 – Ivan Mehosky

Acolytes: 8:30 – Jack Kovicak 11:00 – Julie Czarnecki

Greeters: 8:30 – Joan & Herb Perry 11:00 – Gerry & Jamie Treese

Welcome

Center: 8:30 – Linda White 11:00 – Liz Hook

Hospitality: 8:30 – Jane MacDonald & 11:00 – Maryann Schmook &

Gail Willis Sheila Hendricks

Hall Monitors: 8:30 – Sonia Dulin 11:00 – Bob Perkins

Nursery: 8:30 – TBD 11:00 – TBD

Tech Team: 8:30 – Joe Buckley & 11:00 – Roger Robinson &

Paige Laning Josh Hamilton

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 loved ones given by Bill and Fran Vassalotti.

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. Rav 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)

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)

Members and Friends

Don Andrews (2/17) Les Andrews (2/17)

Deanna Barnhart (2/17) (Millie and

Romie Jones' daughter)
Peg Bunnell (2/17)
Beth Camarra (2/17)
Buddy Camors (2/17)
Vickie Cebula (2/17)
Beverly Cheeks (3/10)
Ginny Corona (2/17)

Josephine Correau (2/17) (Ron

Fetterolf's Aunt) Anna Cote (3/10) Jaxon Davis (2/17) Barbara Dean (2/17) Ruth Deibert (3/10)

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) Betsy Kent (3/10)

Nancy Leathrum (2/24) Jack Lloyd (3/3)

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

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

mother)

Jane Arrants-Parrack (2/17) Rich Robinson (3/17) Frances Schneider (2/17) Jay Sexton (3/3)

Jay Sexton (3/3) Stos Sfinas (3/3) PJ Smith (3/3)

Miles Stiefrater (3/10)

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) Ted Woodruff (2/17)

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

father)

Abbey Manor

Mildred McCormick

Calvert Manor

Henry Jacobs Jim Melvin

Elkton Transitions

Akiko Johnson

Sympathy

To Linda Truitt on the death of her aunt Marjorie 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.