

*Elkton  
United Methodist Church*



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

**Elkton United Methodist Church**  
**Sunday, January 5, 2020**  
**Epiphany Sunday**  
**8:30 a.m. † 11:00 a.m.**

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- 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 ..... “PRELUDE IN E MINOR”<sup>1</sup> ..... EDITED BY H. HOPSON

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: The magi came from many places, following a star.

**People: We come to worship, and the star shines light on our lives.**

Leader: The magi brought gifts to offer the Child.

**People: We too bring gifts – ourselves, our hopes, our dreams.**

Leader: Shepherds and magi – the meek and the mighty – all were welcome in Bethlehem.

**People: We too come to Bethlehem and then return to our homes rejoicing!**

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

PRAYER (in unison)

**We thank you, O God, for calling us into your church to be your people. We have gathered, God of grace and wisdom, because we have heard your call. You have reached out to us in Jesus Christ, you have touched us with your Spirit, and we have turned toward you, seeking to love as we have been loved. We call upon your holy name; empower us to worship and serve you, walking gently on this earth, through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

MUSICAL OFFERING.....PAUL HUMPHREY, SAXOPHONE

EPISTLE LESSON, COLOSSIANS 3:12-17 (page 201)

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

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*\*RESPONSE #204 (UMH) ..... “EMMANUEL, EMMANUEL”

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.**

**God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel.**

SERMON ..... “SEVEN WORDS THAT CAN CHANGE YOUR LIFE: ..... REV. KAREN F. BUNNELL  
I – THANKS”

\*\*HYMN #89 (UMH) ..... “JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE”

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 ..... “PRAISE YE THE LORD OF HOSTS”<sup>1</sup> ..... EDITED BY D. BISH

\*\*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 #614 (UMH)..... “FOR THE BREAD WHICH YOU HAVE BROKEN”

\*\*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 ..... “THE MARCH OF THE THREE KINGS”<sup>1</sup> ..... ARR. BY R. WILSON



**\*\*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)

<sup>1</sup> *Public Music performance provided for and reported to CCLI Licensing*

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## 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

### Hospital

Kameron Salamon (Nadine Allen’s  
great-grandson)

### Members and Friends

Les Andrews (1/5)  
Jimmy Beck (1/5)  
Melissa Bondi (1/5) (Gretchen  
Ginder’s sister)  
Beth Camarra (1/5)  
Vickie Cebula (1/5)  
Mildred Chinski (1/5)  
Virginia Davis (1/5) (Grace  
Achuff’s mother)  
Barbara Dean (12/15)  
Sadie Detweiler (1/5)  
Irene Dunlap (1/5)  
Ruth Dvorak (1/5) (Sonia Dulin’s  
Sister)  
Jack Edler (12/22)  
Kim Ernst (12/15)  
Scott Gallen (1/5) (Faith Seltzer’s  
son)  
Marlene Gautsch (1/5)  
Cathy Haley (12/1)  
Josh Hamilton (12/15)  
Muff Hurst (12/15)  
Marge Jacobs (12/15)  
Ryan Kosinski (12/8)  
Bill Mackie (1/5)  
Ken McCoy (1/5)  
Ed McKeown (1/5)  
Al Morgan (1/5)  
Diana Morgan-Klusak (1/5)  
Patrick Neagle (12/15) (Bill  
Moffitt’s grandson)  
Bill Osburn (1/5)  
Jane Arrants-Parrack (1/5)  
Gail Piazza (1/5)  
Tom Runyon (1/5) (Neta’s son)  
Ray Rutter (12/15) (Faith Seltzer’s  
son-in-law)  
Frances Schneider (1/5)

Wayne Scholz (1/5)  
Jay Sexton (1/5)  
Stos Sfinas (1/5)  
Robert Shumate (12/15) (Ina  
Andrews’ brother-in-law)  
Claire Sneeringer (12/15) (Andrea  
Funke’s niece)  
Mike VanDenHeuvel (1/5)  
Owen Wevadou (1/5)  
Carolyn Williams (12/8) (Murray  
Thompson’s sister)  
Rodger Williams (12/8) Murray  
Thompson’s nephew)  
Ken Wyerman (1/5) (Sue Ivey’s  
father)

### Abbey Manor

Jane Cebula

### Calvert Manor

Henry Jacobs  
Jim Melvin

### Laurelwood

Dan McCool

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

<b>Worship Leader:</b>	Bethany Buckley	
<b>Readers:</b>	8:30 – Bill Moffitt	11:00 – Gerry Treese
<b>Acolytes:</b>	8:30 – Lauren Zimmer	11:00 – Jack Edler
<b>Greeters:</b>	8:30 – Gail Garber & Gretchen O'Neal	11:00 – George & Nancy Leathrum
<b>Welcome Center:</b>	8:30 – Sue Ivey	11:00 – Heidi Gaultney
<b>Hospitality:</b>	8:30 – Lea Gochnauer & Grace Achuff	11:00 – Mary Ann Schmook & Sheila Hendricks
<b>Hall Monitors:</b>	8:30 – Richard VanSchaick	11:00 – Phil Czarnecki
<b>Nursery:</b>	8:30 – TBD	11:00 – TBD
<b>Tech Team:</b>	8:30 – Joe Buckley	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, Kevin White

11:00 – Frank Deibert, Charles Campbell, Ken McCoy, Barton Funke, Gabe Funke, Phil Norman, Rita Norman, Carol Robinson, Roger Robinson

**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.

## 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](http://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.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT COMMUNION** resumes this week. It will take place at 6:15 pm in the Chapel.

**PRAYERS FOR OUR YOUTH** – Please pray for our youth and their leaders as they go to Ocean City MD this coming weekend to attend the Peninsula-Delaware Conference Youth Rally. Pray for safe travel for them all, and that the Lord will work in a powerful way in their lives through the rally. Thanks to everyone for helping them raise the funds for this trip!

**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!

### LOOKING AHEAD

January 10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> - Conference Youth Rally

January 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> - Women's Retreat in Ocean City

Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> Annual MLK, Jr. Celebration  
sponsored by Wrights AME Church, held at Five Rivers Church

February 1<sup>st</sup> - Administrative Council Planning Retreat

February 9<sup>th</sup> - Boy Scout Sunday and Pancake Breakfast

February 22<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> - Joy of Faith Weekend featuring Bil Lepp

# THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

## TODAY, SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2020

- 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM ..... Worship Services
- 8:30 AM-12:30 PM..... Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten (Room 24)
- 10:00 AM..... Children's Christmas Program (Weldin Hall)
- 12:00 PM..... Youth Group

## MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 2020

- 9:00 AM ..... AARP (Weldin Hall)
- 6:00 PM..... Cub Scout Meeting (Weldin Hall)
- 6:30 PM..... Women's Retreat Meeting (Conference Room)
- 7:00 PM..... Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Room 26)

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2020

- 2:30 PM..... Nursing Home Visitation (Betty Budrow's Team)
- 6:30 PM..... CCCS Rehearsal (Weldin Hall)
- 7:00 PM..... Nar-Anon (Room 1)

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020

- 9:00 AM..... AARP (Room 1)
- 10:30 AM..... Tele-Care Committee Meeting (Room 1)
- 12:00 PM ..... Ruth-Sarah Circle Meeting (Weldin Hall)
- 6:15 PM ..... Communion (Chapel)
- 6:30 PM ..... Men's Choir
- 7:00 PM ..... Chancel Choir
- 7:00 PM ..... Boy Scout Troop Meeting (Weldin Hall)

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020


- 12:00 PM ..... Weight Watchers
- 6:00 PM..... Dorcas Circle Meeting (Weldin Hall)
- 7:00 PM..... Board of Laity (Room 34)
- 8:00 PM..... AA (Room 1)

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2020

- 9:00 AM ..... AARP (Weldin Hall)



# January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> <b>Office Closed</b> 	<b>2</b> 12:00 PM Weight Watchers 7:00 PM Board of Laity 8:00 PM AA Meeting	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5 Communion</b> 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:00 PM Youth Group 12:30 PM Staff Party	<b>6</b> 9:00 AM AARP 1:30 PM JC Play Group 6:00 PM Cub Scouts 6:30 PM Women's Retreat Mtg 7:00 PM Handbell Choir	<b>7</b> 2:30 PM Nursing Home Visitation (Betty Budrow's Team) 7:00 PM CCCS Rehearsal 7:00 PM Nar-Anon Mtg	<b>8</b> 9:00 AM AARP 10:30 AM Tele-Care Mtg 12:00 PM Ruth-Sarah 6:15 PM Communion 6:30 PM Men's Choir 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	<b>9</b> 12:00 PM Weight Watchers 6:30 PM Dorcas Circle 6:30 PM Nominating Comm Mtg 8:00 PM AA Meeting	<b>10</b> 9:00 AM AARP  Youth Rally - OC	<b>11</b> Youth Rally - OC
<b>12</b> 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service  Youth Rally - OC	<b>13</b> 9:00 AM AARP 1:30 PM JC Play Group 6:00 PM Cub Scouts 6:30 PM Evangelism Comm Mtg 7:00 PM Handbell Choir	<b>14</b> 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM CCCS Rehearsal 7:00 PM Nar-Anon Mtg	<b>15</b> <b>February Newsletter Deadline</b>  7:30 AM Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM AARP 6:15 PM Communion 6:30 PM Men's Choir 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	<b>16</b> 8:00 AM DCOM 12:00 PM Weight Watchers 7:00 PM Boy Scout Comm Mtg 8:00 PM AA Meeting	<b>17</b> 9:00 AM AARP  Women's Retreat - OC	<b>18</b> Women's Retreat - OC
<b>19</b> 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service 12:00 PM Youth Group  Women's Retreat - OC	<b>20</b> <b>Office Closed</b>  9:00 AM AARP 6:00 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Handbell Choir	<b>21</b> 6:00 PM CCCS Board Mtg 6:30 PM Trustees Mtg 6:30 PM Cub Scout Comm Mtg 7:00 PM CCCS Rehearsal 7:00 PM Nar-Anon Mtg	<b>22</b> 9:00 AM AARP 6:15 PM Communion 6:30 PM Men's Choir 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	<b>23</b> 12:00 PM Weight Watchers 8:00 PM AA Meeting	<b>24</b> 9:00 AM AARP 6:30 PM Classic Christians Dinner and Meeting	<b>25</b>
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