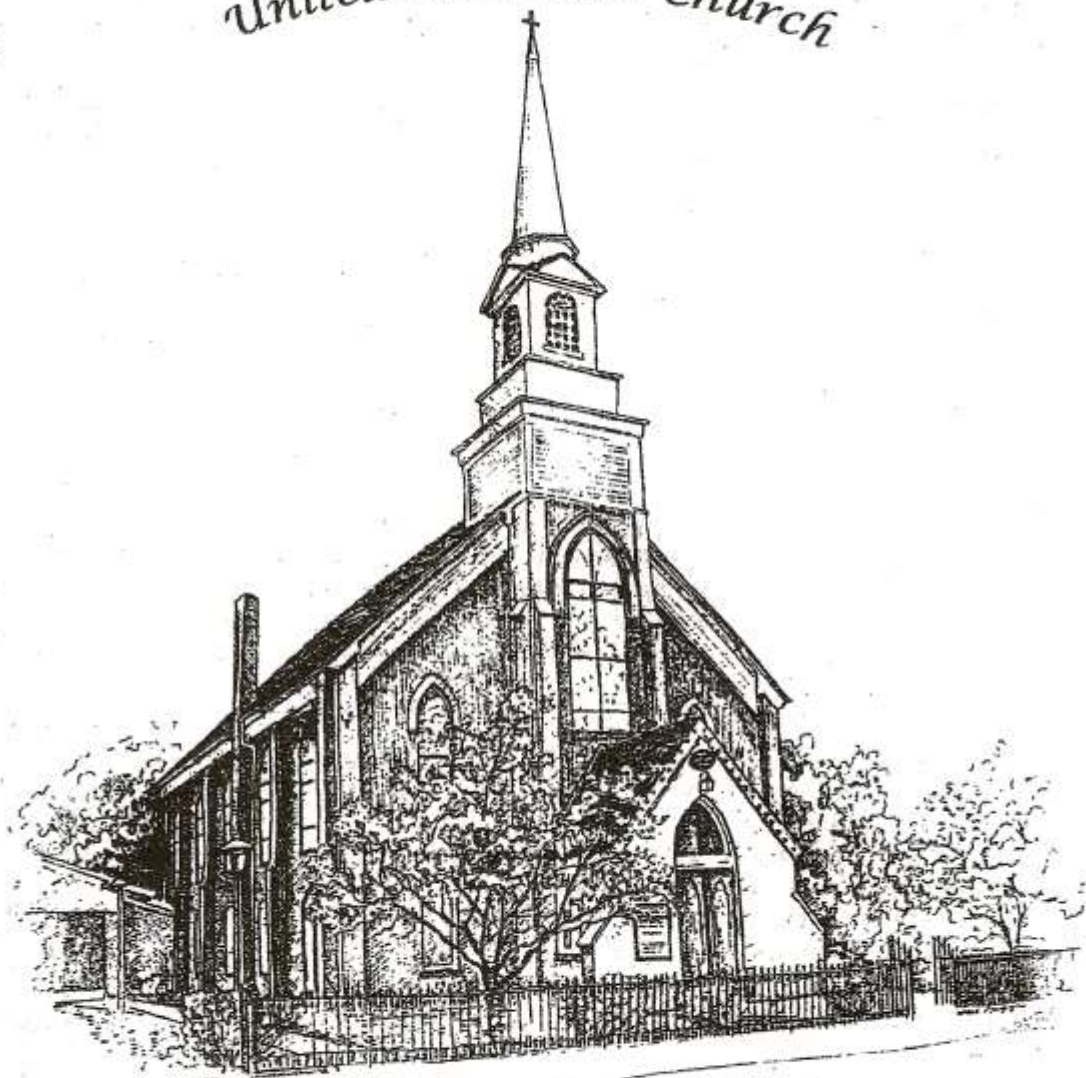


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"A place to know Jesus, be known by Jesus, and make Him known to others."

Elkton United Methodist Church
Sunday, January 19, 2020
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 “PRELUDE”¹ KITTEL

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: May the peace of God rest upon your busy lives so that you may be quieted into prayer.

People: May the love of God flow through your worship words that they may be alive with opportunities for service.

Leader: May the grace of God seek out your every need and may the restless gospel set your hearts afire.

People: Amen and amen.

**HYMN #715 (UMH) “REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Almighty and merciful God, we come to you a wayward people. We have forgotten your intentions for us; we have rejected the way of Christ; we have disregarded the power of your Spirit; and we have worshiped ourselves and the things we have made. Forgive us, restore us in the knowledge of whose we are, and make us alive to serve you with faith, hope, and love; through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

MUSICAL OFFERING..... “I BELIEVE”¹.....JERRY MCNABB

LESSON FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES, MALACHI 3:16-18 (page 890)

MUSICAL OFFERING..... “IF JESUS COMES TOMORROW”¹.....JERRY MCNABB

**GOSPEL LESSON, MATTHEW 24:32-44 (page 27-28)

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 “MYSTERY OF MYSTERIES:..... REV. IVAN MEHOSKY
WHAT IF JESUS COMES TOMORROW”

**HYMN #709 (UMH)..... “COME, LET US JOIN OUR FRIENDS ABOVE”

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.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO OFFERING AND OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY “VARIATIONS”¹..... D. 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!

**HYMN #707 (UMH).....“HYMN OF PROMISE”

**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 “YE HOLY ANGELS BRIGHT”¹ARR. BY RITTER



****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)

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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)
Ginny Corona (1/12)
Virginia Davis (1/5) (Grace
Achuff’s mother)
Barbara Dean (1/5)
Sadie Detweiler (1/5)
Irene Dunlap (1/5)
Ruth Dvorak (1/5) (Sonia Dulin’s
Sister)
Jack Edler (12/22)
Kim Ernst (1/12)
Scott Gallen (1/5) (Faith Seltzer’s
son)
Marlene Gautsch (1/5)
Bob Gilmore (1/12)
David Hatfield (1/12) (Lucille
Russell’s brother-in-law)
Muff Hurst (1/12)
Keri Kline (1/5)
Ryan Kosinski (1/5)
Bill Mackie (1/5)
Ken McCoy (1/5)
Al Morgan (1/5)
Diana Morgan-Klusak (1/5)
Patrick Neagle (1/5) (Moffitt
grandson)
Bill Osburn (1/5)
Jane Arrants-Parrack (1/5)
Gail Piazza (1/5)
Tom Runyon (1/5) (Neta’s son)
Ray Rutter (1/5) (Faith Seltzer’s
son-in-law)
Frances Schneider (1/5)
Wayne Scholz (1/5)

Jay Sexton (1/5)
Stos Sfinas (1/5)
Robert Shumate (1/12) (Ina
Andrews’ brother-in-law)
Carole Skibinski (1/5)
Claire Sneeringer (1/12) (Andrea
Funke’s niece)
Annette Torres (1/12) (Friend of the
Gruebels)
Mike VanDenHeuvel (1/5)
Owen Wevadou (1/5)
Ken Wyerman (1/5) (Sue Ivey’s
father)

Abbey Manor

Jane Cebula

Calvert Manor

Henry Jacobs
Marge Jacobs
Jim Melvin

Seasons Hospice

Dan McCool

Elkton Transitional Care

Ed McKeown

Sympathy

To Allene Rittenhouse and Linda
Meffley on the death of Sandy
Rittenhouse

To the family and friends of Helen
Meyers

To the family and friends of Robert
Cameron

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 Leader:	Nancy Crawford	
Readers:	8:30 – Terry White	11:00 – Murray Thompson
Acolytes:	8:30 – Katie Zimmer	11:00 – Joe Ace
Greeters:	8:30 – John Baynes & Derrick Gabbert	11:00 – Nancy Mitchell & Faith Seltzer
Welcome Center:	8:30 – Ellen Gruebel	11:00 – Kelly Eddinger
Hospitality:	8:30 – Jane MacDonald & Gail Willis	11:00 – Ruth Loomis & Arlene Zappo
Hall Monitors:	8:30 – Bill Alphin	11:00 – Helen Hanel
Nursery:	8:30 – TBD	11:00 – TBD
Tech Team:	8:30 – TBD	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 Edith & William H. Realey, Jennie Q. Realey, Edith & Roy McKeown, Elizabeth & Mack Arrants, Anna Realey, Jennie & Clyde Carroll, and William B. Realey, given by Mary Anne Terrell.

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.

PRAYERS FOR WOMEN'S RETREAT – Please continue your prayers for all of the women attending this weekend's EUMC Women's Retreat in Ocean City MD. Pray that God will grant them all traveling mercies on their return home this afternoon.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PROGRAM – The pastor and people of Wrights AME Church invite you to join them tomorrow at 9:00 am for the 30th Annual MLK Day Celebration. This year, because of an anticipated bigger crowd than usual, it will be held at Five Rivers Church on Whitehall Road. This service is always uplifting and inspiring, and includes a wonderful cross-section of participants from throughout our county. Make plans now to be a part of it!

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES – It's time to gather donations together for our next College Care Packages which will go out right around Valentine's Day. Please bring your donations of goodies (granola bars, chips, crackers, cookies, gum, etc.) to the College Care Package box across from the Welcome Center by Sunday, February 9th.

CLASSIC CHRISTIANS' JANUARY MEETING – The Classic Christians (age 50 and over) will meet this coming Friday night, the 24th at 6:30 pm in Weldin Hall. The night will begin with a potluck dinner (bring a dish to share) and continue on in a night of Trivia games! (Who said Jeopardy James and Ken Jennings know everything?) All Classic Christians are invited to come and take part in the fun!

NEXT SUNDAY IN WORSHIP – Please make a special effort to be here next Sunday because our youth will be leading both services. They have just returned from this year's Peninsula-Delaware Youth Rally and they're so excited to share their experiences with us! Let's fill the pews for them next Sunday morning!

REMINDER TO ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEMBERS that the Planning Retreat will take place on Saturday, February 1st from 8:00 am until 12:00 noon. It will be held in the hall at Wrights AME Church on Booth Street (since Weldin Hall will be filled with Scouts for the pinewood derby!). All members of the council are needed for this retreat, so if any chairpersons of committees cannot attend, it is important to have someone else from your committee attend in your stead.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY, SUNDAY, JANUARY 19, 2020

- 8:30 AM & 11:00 AM.....Worship Services
8:30 AM-12:30 PM.....Child Care/Nursery Birth through Kindergarten (Room 24)
9:45 AM.....Sunday School (All Ages)

MONDAY, JANUARY 20, 2020 - OFFICE CLOSED

- 9:00 AM.....MLK Day Celebration (Five Rivers Church, Whitehall Road)
9:00 AM.....AARP (Weldin Hall)
6:00 PM.....Cub Scout Meeting (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM.....Evangelism Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
7:00 PM.....Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Room 26)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020

- 6:00 PM.....CCCS Board Meeting (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM.....Trustees Committee Meeting (Conference Room)
6:30 PM.....Cub Scout Committee Meeting (Chapel)
7:00 PM.....CCCS Rehearsal (Weldin Hall)
7:00 PM.....Nar-Anon (Room 1)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2020

- 9:00 AM.....AARP (Room 1)
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 23, 2020

- 12:00 PM.....Weight Watchers (Weldin Hall)
8:00 PM.....AA (Room 1)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24, 2020

- 9:00 AM.....AARP (Weldin Hall)
6:30 PM.....Classic Christians' Dinner & Meeting (Weldin Hall)

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, February 9th - Boy Scout Sunday and Pancake Breakfast
Saturday & Sunday, February 22nd & 23rd - Joy of Faith Weekend featuring Bil Lepp

February 2020

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
						1 8:00 AM Administrative Council Planning Retreat at Wrights AME Church
2 Communion 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service 6:00 PM Youth Group	3 9:00 AM AARP 6:00 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Handbell Choir	4 2:30 PM Nursing Home Visitation (Carol Robinson's Team) 6:30 PM Missions Comm Mtg 7:00 PM CCCS Rehearsal 7:00 PM Nar-Anon Mtg	5 6:15 PM Communion 6:30 PM Men's Choir 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	6 12:00 PM Weight Watchers 7:00 PM Board of Laity 8:00 PM AA Meeting	7	8
9 Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship Service	10 9:00 AM AARP 6:00 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Handbell Choir	11 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM CCCS Rehearsal 7:00 PM Nar-Anon Mtg	12 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	13 12:00 PM Weight Watchers 6:30 PM Dorcas Circle 8:00 PM AA Meeting	14 March Newsletter Deadline 12:00 PM Community Blood Drive	15
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