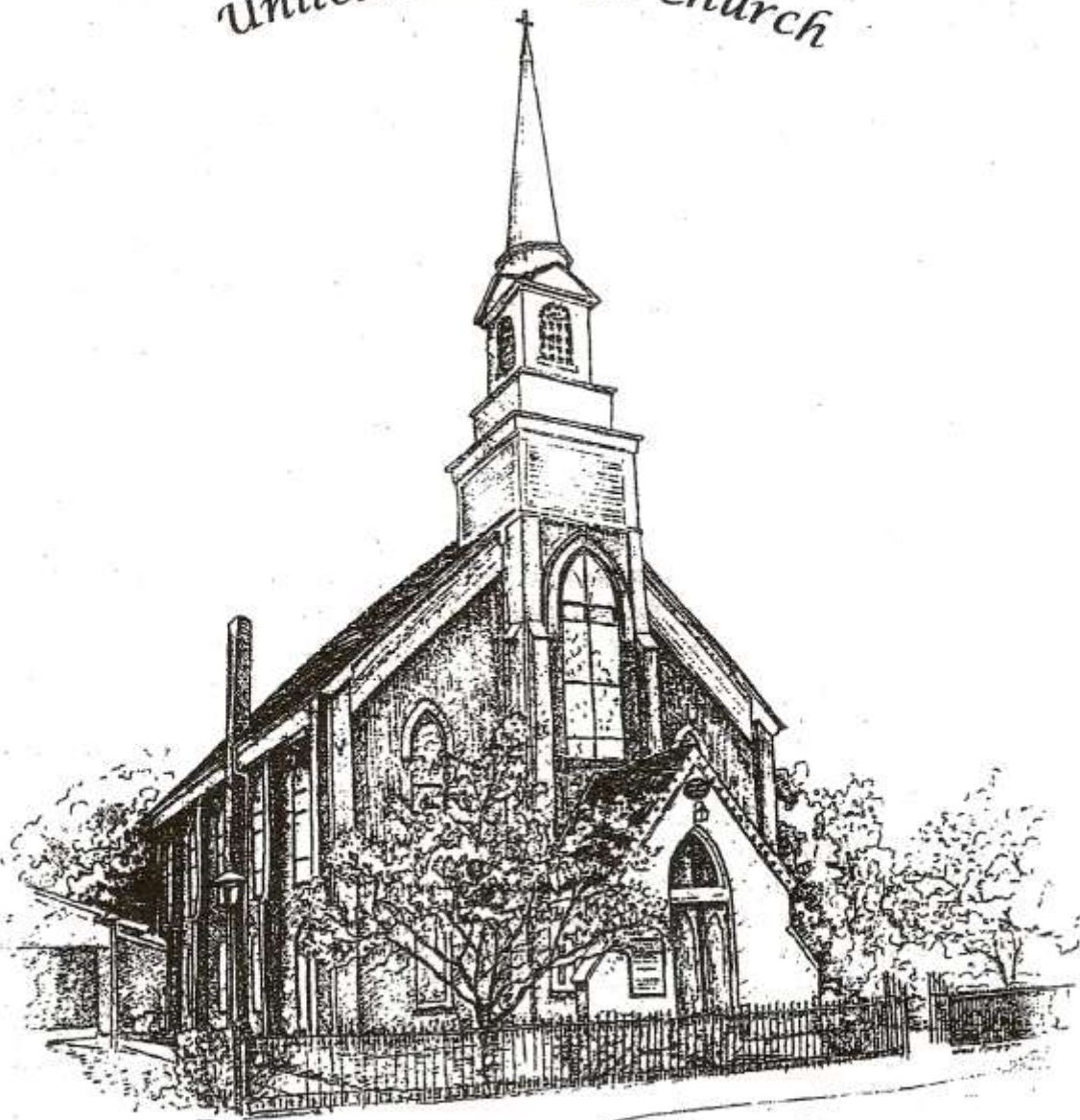


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"A place to know Jesus, be known by Jesus, and make Him known to others."

Elkton United Methodist Church
Sunday, January 31, 2021
Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE "When Peace Like a River"¹ Philip B. Bliss

GREETING AND WELCOME

TIME OF CENTERING PRAYER

****CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come to worship this day. Bring with you all your joys and sorrows.

People: Jesus will fill your life with the hope of the gospel!

Leader: Come to worship this day believing in the power of God through Jesus Christ.

People: Jesus will pour out healing upon his people.

Leader: Come to worship this day abiding in the presence of God.

People: Jesus will transform us into true disciples. Amen.

HYMN STORY "Majesty, Worship His Majesty"

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess together that we have not always lived as those forgiven, set free, and united in Christ:

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, source of life and grace, we are aware that we are, at times, prisoners of fear and habit. Through the healing touch of Christ, set us free to live and to love, that we may be the people you have created us to be. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF PARDON AND ASSURANCE

The good news is that Christ calls us to new life and enables us to begin again and again and again. Let us praise God with songs of joy! In our confession we are all forgiven!

MUSICAL OFFERING "E'en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come"¹ Paul Humphrey

EPISTLE LESSON – 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Leader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

MUSICAL OFFERING “Rock of Ages/When We All Get To Heaven”¹ Paul Humphrey

**GOSPEL LESSON – Mark 1:21-28

Leader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON “Rituals or Fatih?” Rev. Eric Warner

PRAYER CONCERNS/PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**HYMN STORY “All Creatures of Our God and King”

**BENEDICTION

Go forth...
replenished by the grace and mercy of God,
blessed by the healing love of Jesus,
energized by the limitless power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE "Postlude on St. Dunstan’s"¹ Douglas E. Wagner

Flowers on the altar are in memory of Harold & Virginia Jones’ birthdays
given by Romie & Millie Jones

**Indicates the congregation should stand if able

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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. Eric Warner

Our Nation

President Biden & All Leaders
Those serving in the military:

Joe DeHaven
Mick Detweiler
Shane Hatfield
(Friend of the Pugh's)
William Hawkins
(MacDonalds' grandson)
Capt. Tim Johnson
Elizabeth Juergens
Garrett Mann
Jocelyn Melvin
Joe Moore
Brandon Pearson
Jeremy Sanders
Zachary Schmook
Ethan Senn
Zachary Senn
Kyle Senn
Jeff Smith
Samantha Stapp
(Nancy Leathrum's cousin)
Jacob Walmsley
(Carolann Lewis' grandson)
Thomas Walmsley
(Carolann Lewis' grandson)
William Henry Wright, Jr.
Matthew Yarrington
(Wanda Jackson's son-in-law)

Members and Friends

Nadine Allen
Don Andrews
Les Andrews
Peg Bunnell
Beth Camarra

Mildred Chinski
John Conde (1/31)
(Friends of the Gruebels)
Virginia Davis
(Grace Achuff's mother)
Sadie Detweiler
Irene Dunlap
Ruth Dvorak
(Sonia Dulin's sister)
Jack Foreaker (1/24)
Hillary Foster (1/17)
Scott Gallen
(Faith Seltzer's son)
Marlene Gautsch
Bob Johnson
Lois & Larry Levy (1/31)
(Friends of the Gruebels)
Haines & Dorothy Maxwell
(Betty Sprague's brother-in-law)
Ken McCoy
Ray McDowell
(Ted McDowell's nephew)
Allyse McKeown
Ed McKeown
Trinity McKeown
Nancy Mitchell (1/31)
Al Morgan
Diana Morgan-Klusak
Patrick Neagle
(The Moffitts' grandson)
Bill Osburn
Jane Arrants-Parrack
Gail Piazza
Shirley Robinson
Carol Rollison
(Linda McNabb's sister)
Danielle Rothermel (1/31)
(Friends of the Gruebels)
Matt Ruiz
(Faith Seltzer's grandson)
Tom Runyon
(Neta Runyon's son)
Ray Rutter
(Faith Seltzer's son-in-law)
Frances Schneider
Wayne Scholz
Bob & Gini Selner
Faith Seltzer (1/10)

Jay Sexton
William Shober (1/3)
(Carolann Lewis' Cousin)
Robert Shumate
(Ina Andrews' brother-in-law)
Hunter Smith (1/31)
(Fran & Bill Vassalotti's great-grandson)
Claire Sneringer
(Andrea Funke's niece)
Betty Sprague
Helen Taylor
(Dianne Thompson's mother)
Mike VanDenHeuvel
Bob Waddington (1/31)
Debbie Andrews Waddington (1/10)
Lance Waltzer (1/31)
(Betty McCarthy's son-in-law)
Owen Wevadou
Carol Workheiser (1/31)
(Lynn Dech's sister)
Ken Wyerman
(Sue Ivey's father)
Nan Wyerman
(Sue Ivey's sister)
Carol Zervas

Abbey Manor

Jane Cebula

Calvert Manor

Henry Jacobs
Jim Melvin

Sympathy

To the friends and family of Janet
Bailey

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 contact the church office.