

Elkton United Methodist Church The Beacon



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FROM THE PASTOR

Rev. Karen Bunnell, Senior Pastor

Dear Friends,

Happy February! It seems like we just celebrated Christmas, and now it's February already! Time flies when you're having fun. It makes me realize how fast these last months with all of you will go by for me. I'm trying not to panic about all the packing I have to do, and trying to cherish all the moments we still have left together. But I can tell you something that has made me incredibly happy, and that is that the Bishop has already named my replacement, and he is a really great guy. In case you hadn't heard, your new Senior Pastor as of July 1st will be the Rev. Eric Warner. I got to know Eric as he went through the ordination process, which is overseen by the Board of Ordained Ministry, of which I'm a member. He so impressed me as he answered our questions and submitted his papers. He is thoughtful, very knowledgeable theologically and practically, and has had some great experience in different sized churches. He spent some time (as I did) as an Associate Pastor on the staff of a very large church – which will stand him in good stead with EUMC. He now serves with me as a member of the Board of Ordained Ministry. I'm very excited for the future of EUMC will Eric as your pastor.

But, in the meantime, I'm still here until the end of June, and we have lots going on. This month will feature Scout Sunday and our wonderful Joy of Faith weekend. We'll start the season of Lent later in the month, and I'll teach another Lenten Lunch and Learn class.

In this month focused on love, my prayer is that all of us will focus on the greatest love passage in all of scripture: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have eternal life!" There is no greater love than that!

MISSIONS

"He who despises his neighbor sins, but blessed is he who is kind to the needy." Proverbs 14:21

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Submitted by Joe Tanner

Jesus said: "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples"

Our thanks to Heidi and Larry Gaultney for coordinating the EUMC participation in the Winter Homeless Shelter in January and to all of our members who participated. A winter shelter and the love and care shown by those who provide it demonstrates our care for those in need.

EUMC will again host the monthly Elkton Delmarva Blood Drive in 2020. Donation dates are February 14th, March 13th, April 24th, May 29th, June 26th, July 24th, August 28th, September 25th, October 23rd, and November 13th in Weldin Hall. Something as easy and simple as donating blood can save the life of another person. The EUMC blood drives last year averaged over 30 donors per drive, providing essential aid to 30 people in need.

For the last four years, EUMC has formed a team to participate in the Delaware Brain Tumor Walk to help fund research to help those afflicted with brain tumors. EUMC walking team has raised over \$5000 for this cause. Recently, I was notified that there will not be a Delaware Walk in 2020. No reason was given.

We have scheduled a second mission trip to the Native American Reservation at Spirit Lake, North Dakota. This year we will be traveling with a group from Aldersgate UMC. We will be leaving on July 12th and returning on July 17th. Several of last year's participants are planning to attend again this year, but we are still looking for more volunteers to go with us. Learning about and helping Native Americans and getting to know some of them and seeing their appreciation is a wonderful experience.

As we begin a new year, we are looking at a strong missions program. We will continue to show our love of God and our brothers and sisters locally and around the world by helping them however and wherever we can.

EUMC is a missions loving church!!







Many thanks to Anne Humphrey for her tireless work in getting new paraments made for the church!

FELLOWSHIP & STEWARDSHIP

"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us" Il Corinthians

YOU'RE INVITED TO A FUN DAY AWAY WITH THE CLASSIC CHRISTIANS!

The Classic Christians is taking a one-day bus trip up to the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre on Tuesday, February 25th to see the play "Grumpy Old Men." They'll travel by bus and enjoy a luncheon buffet before the matinee performance. Cost for the day is \$90, which includes the luncheon, a ticket to the show and cost of the bus and gratuities. Anyone who wishes to take part can do so – you don't have to be a member of the Classic Christians. Sign up on the sheet across from the Welcome Center, and turn your check for \$90 into the church office as soon as possible. There are only a limited number of tickets available, so if you're interested, sign up soon!



STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Submitted by Ellen Gruebel, Committee Chairperson

Proverbs 22:1 "A good name is to be chosen rather than great riches, and favor is better than silver or gold."

Greetings from the Stewardship Committee! Our Committee is already busy discussing things we would like to do for Earth Day Sunday in April. We have been working with the education director to select several projects for the Sunday School classes that are related to Earth Day for Earth Day Sunday. We're also discussing having another 5K walk/run this Fall since it is such a great way to bring people together to raise funds for brain cancer research. And, since our committee is also responsible for something special for Laity Sunday in October, we may invite a speaker to our church to speak between services in Weldin Hall to discuss a topic of importance, of which there are several. Try to keep warm in this very cold time of year!

HELP FILL OUR NEXT ROUND OF COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

Several times a year we send a package of goodies to our College Students to remind them that we're thinking of them and wishing them the best. The next package goes out right around Valentine's Day, and we need your help to fill it! Please bring your donation of goodies (granola bars, hot chocolate mix, microwavable mac 'n cheese, etc.) to the donation box in the Welcome Center area. It will mean so much to our college students!





CALLING ALL MEN

Don't forget that on the third Wednesday of every month at 7:30 am the Men's Breakfast takes place at Cracker Barrel. All men of the church are invited to take part in this time of food, fellowship and discussion of a new topic every month. No signup is necessary, just show up at 7:30 ready to eat breakfast and have fun! The breakfast is usually over in an hour.

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Women's Retreat - January 2020



ATTENTION ALL MEN

This year's Men's Retreat will be on Saturday, March 14th in Weldin Hall. The subject for this event will be a history of the Methodist church, from its founding in the mid 1700's, to the move to the colonies, and the growth in the America's. There will also be a discussion on what is happening to the church now led by District Superintendent Joe Archie. There will be morning coffee and donuts, as well as lunch. After lunch, there will be a period for talking amongst ourselves, games, and



lunch. After lunch, there will be a period for talking amongst ourselves, games, and music. Look for the flyer and sign-up form. Hope to see you there!

EVANGELISM

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EVANGELISM / MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Evangelism's big event is coming up! Joy of Faith weekend, February 22nd and 23rd, features Bil Lepp, winner of the West Virginia Liars Club Contest and master story teller. Our weekend will kick off with the alwayspopular prayer breakfasts in parishioners' homes. There will be a youth event Saturday afternoon with pizza, activities and a storytelling workshop with Bil Lepp. The evening will welcome another fabulous Treese family buffet followed by our main event at 7:00 pm. The tickets for the dinner will go on sale soon. This is usually a sellout, so buy your dinner tickets early. Our Joy of Faith show with Bil Lepp is FREE and sure to tickle the funny bones of all ages. Invite your families, neighbors, co-workers and more. We want a full house! Sunday morning you can get another dose of Christian humor and faith when Bil returns to both 8:30 and 11:00 worship services.

Your Friend in Faith, Linda Meffley

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF ELKTON UMC?

If you are, then you are warmly welcomed to attend the next New Member Orientation Class. It will be held on Sunday, March 1st immediately following the 11:00 service (approximately 12:15) in Room 1. A light lunch will be served and childcare is available if needed. During the class, you'll learn about United Methodism in general, and Elkton UMC in particular, and how to get more involved in the ministries of the church. To register for the class, please email eumc@comcast.net or call the church office at 410-398-0933.



YOUTH

"Guide me on your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior, and my hope is in you all day long" Psalm 25:5



How to Share Your Faith by Serving Others

How to be a living witness? While at Youth Rally this year, there was a plethora of panelists and presenters. All of the content was amazing and enlightening, but there was one session that has not let me go! The facilitator was a chaplain for the New York Mets. Cali Magallanes describes his experience as a chaplain to be life changing and influential. He then later goes on to say that the effect of the team and players on him is what continues to change his life and influences his desire to continue the work of God. Having served the church in several capacities, Cali never thought that this assignment in sports chaplaincy was for him. He doubted the validity of the work. He doubted. After 7 years in service to the Mets organization, he cannot imagine his life without this experience. In the session, Cali talked about how he approached the idea of service in sports. He asked, "What do you offer someone who has fame, money, stability, and the world at their fingertips? You offer them, Jesus!" Cali said, "You never realize that these sports stars are incomplete until you spend time with them." He asserted that the evidence of spiritual emptiness was looking at successful men lost in the world because they lacked divine purpose! How was he supposed to reach these men? He wasn't a celebrity. He didn't have wealth or influence. He started just as any minister would, setting chapel times before first pitch and holding services. Chapel service produced limited results and lackluster attendance. Cali said he got his most noticeable impact when he stopped thinking about being a chaplain and he started being a man. Although his office was important, what was more important was his genuine, authentic self. In short, his ability to lower himself from his position and approach the players on a fundamental level began the process of transformation for the players and himself. Mr. Magallenes noted these three things as paramount in this experience. You can't give someone something you don't have, meet people where they are, and service above all else!

You can't give people what you don't have. How do you introduce someone to a person that you have never met? We are all familiar with former President Barack Obama, but how many of us know him. Mr. Magallenes stated that although many players were religious, what they lacked was a living relationship with God! When we share our faith, it shouldn't be something that we heard about; it should be our experience. It is not good enough to have familiarity; we must know God for ourselves and have a living relationship to witness effectively.

Meet people where they are! As Christians, we cannot expect people to understand our language (SPRC... LOL) and conform to our doctrines and policies if they have never been introduced. The only thing they need to submit to is the will of God in their life. The other stuff will come with consistent obedience to God's will. Just like God found us and accepted us where we were, we must do the same for our communities. We need our target audience to understand why a life of righteousness compels us to be better and live better. Hold up the standard of divine living and support them as they reach that sacred goal.

Service above all else! As we look at the ministry and life of Jesus, we see that Jesus was deeply rooted in the community. No matter where he went, he engaged people and challenged them to live better lives through a living relationship with God. Jesus provided these persons with a model or example for them to see! Jesus took

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care of their carnal needs first and then tended to their spiritual needs. The ministry of Jesus was about service. How are our lives a testimony to the work and life of Jesus? Do we emulate his life in the way we live ours? Are we service-oriented?

The session left me with more questions than answers as I took inventory of my experiences and approach to discipleship and missions. Overall, the experience was rejuvenating; it confirmed the importance of the work we do here and in the community with our youth. We are to be living examples of God's love. If we gave out surveys each time we witnessed, how would God rate our service to humanity?

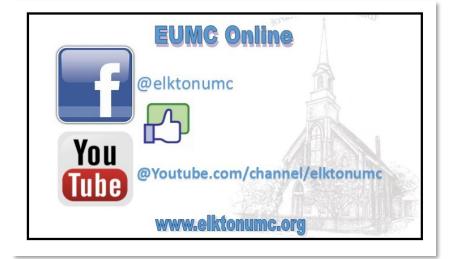
Youth Rally - Ocean City, MD January 10th -12th













EDUCATION

"Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not turn from it" Proverbs 22:6

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Submitted by Katie Sparks, Director of Children & Education Ministries

<u>Sunday School:</u> It's wintertime and unfortunately that also means cold and flu season. As germs spread the education department has been finding itself spread a bit thin this year on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in helping out by substituting when needed, please Katie Sparks for a volunteer application.

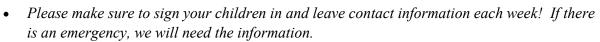


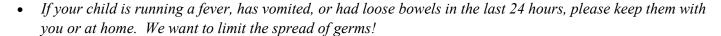
Mission Project: The high school Sunday school class has been hard at work organizing and leading a food drive for the children's Sunday school classes. Be sure to check Facebook and the March newsletter to see the results of their food drive!

<u>Acolyte Sign-Ups:</u> If your child is in kindergarten or a higher grade, we would love to have them join the acolyte team! If your child is interested in becoming an important part of the service, please see either Barb Pinder or Katie Sparks for more information.

Nursery: Our nursery is in need of volunteers for both services. Volunteering in the nursery is very rewarding and a huge help to parents with small children! Volunteering in the nursery is also a great way for middle or high school students to earn service hours for school. If you are interested in volunteering, please see Katie Sparks in the education office for more information.

A few reminders for those who use the nursery -





- The nursery is for birth through kindergarten. If your child is in 1st grade or higher, they should be in the service.
- Unless you are the volunteer for that service, please limit your time in the nursery. Having parents stay through parts of the service upsets other children whose parents are in the service. (They think it is time to go if other adults are in the room!)





MUSIC & WORSHIP

"May the LORD bless you from Zion all the days of your life..." Psalm 128:5

MUSIC MINISTRIES

Submitted by Suzette Burgess Choir Director & Coordinator of Music Ministries

The music ministry staff here at EUMC is about to change at the beginning of this month. Sharon Williams, our organist for over 10 years, announced her retirement in January. Words cannot express our gratitude for her wonderful musical contributions over the last decade. She will be truly missed and we wish her well as she embarks on her next adventure! Our search has started for a new organist, and in the meantime, guest musicians will accompany the Sunday services.

I am looking forward to the Spring season! The choir music has been selected and the Lenten Cantata has been chosen. Rehearsals for the cantata will begin on Wednesday, February 19th, at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in singing with us, please join us for rehearsals. The cantata will be presented at both services on Palm Sunday (April 5th).



As always, the Handbell Choir continues to rehearse on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. and the Men's Ensemble rehearses at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings. Paul Deemer is still looking for one new ringer, and Men's Ensemble will always welcome any new members!



SAYING GOODBYE TO SHARON WILLIAMS

On Sunday, February 2nd, we'll say farewell to our incredible organist and dear friend Sharon Williams, who will be retiring. Sharon has served us so well for so very long, and she'll be so difficult to replace, but we rejoice with her that after over 40 years straight playing the organ for a number of different churches, she can sit back and relax, and enjoy weekends with her family and friends. We'll celebrate her ministry with us during both worship services that day, and then she'll be in both coffee hours after worship to greet you. Thank you Sharon, for your faithful service to the Lord through your incredible musical gifts! Well done, good and faithful servant!

HOLY COMMUNION

Don't forget that Holy Communion is not only offered on the first Sunday of every month during morning worship, but it's also celebrated every Wednesday night in the Chapel at 6:15 pm. All are invited and welcome to take part!



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THE SEASON OF LENT

Lent is the season that walks us on a journey through Jesus' life from the time just after he was baptized, and encountered the devil in the Wilderness of Temptation, up to the moment his crucified body was laid in the tomb. It lasts for forty days plus Sundays, and is a penitent and contemplative time, a time when we refrain from saying or singing "Alleluia" and from applauding in worship. It is a somber, yet holy season during which we remember the tremendous and painful price Jesus paid for us and for our salvation.



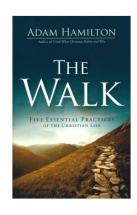


ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 26th. We'll mark the beginning of Lent by worshiping together that evening at 7:00 in the sanctuary. The service will include holy communion and the imposition of ashes. Make plans now to attend this service and mark the beginning of a holy journey through Lent.

LENTEN LUNCH AND LEARN

Pastor Bunnell will once again be leading a class during Lent. Lenten Lunch and Learn will be held in Weldin Hall on the Wednesdays of Lent from 12:00 noon until 1:15 or so. You're invited to bring a bag lunch and drinks and dessert will be provided. This year's study is Adam Hamilton's new book The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life. The first class will take place on Wednesday, March 4th and the last one will take place on the Wednesday of Holy Week (April 8th). There will be bulletin inserts during worship later in February on which you can sign up or you can sign up by sending an email to eumc@comcast.net or calling the church office at 410-398-0933.





ALTAR FLOWERS

We have several dates available if you would like to provide the flowers for the altar for Sunday morning services. Those dates are:

February 23rd

May 24th

June 21st

August 30th

September 13th

Please contact the church office at 410-398-0933 if you would like to celebrate someone special or a special date with flowers for the altar.

FINANCE & GIVING

"Getting wisdom is the most important thing you can do. And whatever else you do, get good judgment." Proverbs 4:7

FINANCE NEWS

Submitted by Laurie Ruth, Treasurer

As of the end of December, the Ministries Fund had a total income of \$434,160.29. The total annual budget for income in 2019 was \$439,694.00. The actual income was short of the budget by 5,533.71.

The budget for 2020 has been submitted and approved by the Finance Committee and the Administrative Council. This budget is based on the pledges received for 2020 versus the budgeted expenses we are anticipating.

2019 Budget/Actual

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	2019	2019	
	Budget	Actual	Difference
Income	439,694.00	434,160.29	5,533.71
Expenses:			
General Expenses	70,628.00	66,732.07	3,895.93
Church Staff	266,039.60	262,540.81	3,498.79
Council on Ministries	14,250.00	9,857.07	4,392.93
Education	10,450.00	5,547.44	4,902.56
Youth Programs	2,300.00	930.69	1,369.31
Rental Property	5,150.00	884.73	4,265.27
Church Utilities	26,700.00	25,045.79	1,654.21
Insurance	9,400.00	9,384.62	15.38
Church Maintenance	82,075.00	55,233.78	26,841.22
Parsonage Expenses	9,300.00	9,432.76	-132.76
Miscellaneous	1,350.00	218.45	1,131.55
Net Loss	-57,948.60	-11,647.92	46,300.68

The loss was considerably less than what the budget was because the Church Maintenance budget included the possible replacement of the Sanctuary air conditioning. This item is not included in the Ministries budget for 2020, if it is needed it is expected to come from the Building Fund.

As of 12/31/19, the Mission Fund had a cash balance of \$14,451.79. The Memorial Fund's balance was \$13,780.70. The Building Fund balance was \$132,760.52 and this money consists of \$65,000.00 in the Money Market and \$50,575.32 in a CD that matured 1/29/2020. The Flower Fund has a balance of \$244.24.

Due to the conservation of all, Elkton United Methodist Church held strong through 2019.

Thank you everyone for having such generous hearts.

CHURCH NEWS

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BOY SCOUT SUNDAY IS COMING!

We'll be welcoming members and friends of our Cub Pack 443 and Boy Scout Troop 443 to our worship services on Sunday, February 9th – Boy Scout Sunday! They'll be assisting as Gospel readers, ushers and greeters – and they'll also be offering their always wonderful Pancake Breakfast all morning long! So plan to help support their activities by coming to the Pancake Breakfast on February 9th! We look forward to celebrate Scouting with them that day! We're proud to be their chartered organization!

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL PLANNING RETREAT

The members of our Administrative Council (chairpersons of all the church's committees and ministry areas) and the church staff will gather together on the morning of Saturday, February 1st from 8 am until noon to have a planning session for the year ahead. Please be in prayer for all of them as they consider ways to make our church more fully the place we pray to be in our mission statement – a church where people come to know Jesus, be known by Jesus, and make Him known to others. Please remember especially in your prayers this year's Council leaders – Chairperson Mike Schmook and Vice-Chairperson Jen Noll.

FUTURE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Another General Conference is coming soon – in May of 2020 – and a plan was recently developed that got a lot of coverage in the national news. It's a plan called "The Protocol" which proposes a split within the denomination. The plan was put together by a diverse group of individuals covering all of the various parties to the conversation – from the traditional, centrist and progressive perspectives. To learn more about The Protocol, it is helpful to watch a video the team put together explaining the details. You can access the video through You Tube. Once you get to the You Tube website, go to search and type in "United Methodist Protocol," and what should pop up is a video that is about an hour and twelve minutes long. Though it is long, it is well worth watching, as it helps explain the plan in detail. Bear in mind, that this is still just a plan submitted by a group of people – it still has to go to General Conference and be voted upon, but because all parties from all sides of this issue sat together and formulated this plan, it is garnering special interest.

SNOW DAYS

Just a reminder that in the event we experience bad weather to such an extent that worship needs to be cancelled, the announcement of cancellation will be posted on our church's website (elktonumc.org) and the church's Facebook page. If you do not have computer access, you can call 410-398-4440 for that information as well. Or, if you have a computer but know of friends in the church without computer access, be a good friend, and give that person a call to let them know of the services being cancelled. Let's hope we don't have to worry about any of this this year!



February Birthdays

"One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and ask to seek him in his temple." Psalm 27:4 (NIV)



February Anniversaries

"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, all become one flesh." Genesis 2:24 (NKJV)



- 2/2 Carol & Hobert Halsey
- 2/2 Sheila & Edward Hendricks
- 2/6 Betty & Frank Deibert
- 2/11 Shirley & Bill Fountain
- 2/14 Sharon & Gerald Slayman
- 2/22 Dawn & Scott Spencer
- 2/28 Carol & Edward Sise

If we missed your birthday or anniversary please accept our sincerest apologies and let the church office know so we can correct our information.

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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	æ
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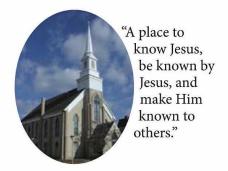
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Church Office Hours

Monday -Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Sunday Worship Services

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School (all ages)

9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Youth Fellowship

Sunday 12:00 p.m.

Elkton UMC Welcome Statement

The Elkton United Methodist Church is a family of God dedicated to worshiping, learning, and serving our immediate community and beyond as we embrace Jesus Christ's message of love and acceptance. As a United Methodist Church, we stand fully behind the statement, "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors." Building on our tradition and the welcoming of those who have come before, we celebrate our diversity and invite all persons regardless of age, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, marital or socioeconomic status, nationality or physical or mental ability into full participation as children of God in the life of this community of faith.