

Elm Grove United Methodist Church



May 15, 2022

5th Sunday of Easter

Welcome

Prelude

Anita Chops

*Call to Worship

TAWA 2013; pg. 113-114

Leader: As the sun rises in the morning,

***People:* let all creation worship God!**

Leader: From the highest mountains to the deepest seas,

***People:* let all creation lift high the name of the LORD, for God alone is worthy to be praised.**

Leader: You alone are worthy of our praise, Alpha and Omega, Beginning and End.

***People:* You alone make all things new.**

Leader: All praise, glory, and honor be yours, forever.

***All:* Amen.**

*Hymn

For the Beauty of the Earth

UMH #92

*Opening Prayer

TAWA 2013; pg. 114

Gracious and loving God, you meet us where we are.

As we gather in this place, may our hearts be open to hear your voice, may our eyes be open to see your glory, and may our minds be open to perceive the word you have for each one of us.

We gather together from many walks of life, but we are unified as one heart in the body of Christ.

Holy Spirit, speak to us, guide us, and fall gently upon us, we pray. Amen.

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The LORD'S Prayer

UMH #895

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.

Offering of Gifts, Prayers, & Tithes

You may mail in your offering or drop it in our locked mailbox that is to the right of our front glass doors.

Special Music

*The Prayer with Lead Me LORD
Chancel Choir (11:00)*

by T. Fetke

Presentation of our Gifts

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #94

*Prayer of Dedication

TAWA 2016; pg. 109

God of mystery, you promise us a life of blessedness, if we learn to love one another as you have first loved us.

May the gifts we offer you today, be a sign of our commitment to see beyond our narrow perspective as we learn to love one another with your all-embracing vision. Amen.

*Hymn of Preparation

Spirit Song

UMH #347

Scripture

Acts 11:1-18

Message

Doug Whitecotton

Call to Confession

Trusting in the promise of grace, let us pour out our hearts before God.

Prayer of Confession

TAWA 2013; pg. 114

Eternal God, it's so easy to get lost in the noise and busyness of our lives.

Forgive us the times we lose focus, forgetting the praise we owe to you, offering it to the world instead. You alone are worthy of our praise. You alone are worthy of our adoration. You alone are worthy of our love.

Creator who makes all things new, renew our hearts and strengthen our resolve, that we may graciously receive what you have in store for us today.

Words of Assurance

TAWA 2016; pg. 108

The One who made heaven and earth dwells among us to bring us love and life.

Let us Praise the LORD our God, for the One who loves us is faithful.

*Hymn

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

TFWS #2223

*Sending Forth

TAWA 2013; pg. 116

As we leave this place, may we know that our worship is only beginning; may we love others as God has first loved us.

In all that we see, hear, and take into our hearts, may the love of Christ be with us, now and forever. **Amen.**

*Postlude

Anita Chops

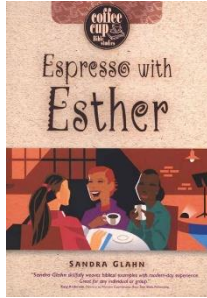
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May 19th
5:00-8:00pm
Stop by to meet & chat



Book Study: "Espresso with Esther"
5-week study, beginning July 7th at 6:00pm
Call/email the church office to sign-up

MISSION OF THE MONTH

Hygiene Products for Men & Women

Shampoo & Conditioner
Bar Soap/Body Wash
Deodorant
Toothpaste

Not ready to attend in-person worship,
but still want to help out our mission group?
You can mail in monetary donations to the church anytime,
just mark the memo line of your check "Mission Group".



The Northern District of the UMW will be hosting an Artisan's Market at our annual meeting in October.

We will be selling stationery and cards using photos submitted from our District.

Be part of our new artisan market and submit your photos to:

nickerson246@gmail.com

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The 1st Quarter Giving Statements are ready for pick-up.
Feel free to stop by during office hours.

See Susi Whitecotton or Sandy Meyer for questions.