# Elm Grove United Methodist Church



July 31, 2022

8th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

Prelude Anita Chops

## Gathering Words

God is speaking. Can we hear it? Do we perceive it? Are we even listening? God is speaking to us and through us. God is speaking, offering us healing and peace.

\*Call to Worship

One: Sing praises to the LORD, sing praises.

All: We come to worship God with shouts of joy.

One: Sing praises to the LORD, sing praises.

All: We come to entreat Christ to turn our mourning into dancing.

One: Sing praises to the LORD, sing praises.

All: We come to touch the healing Spirit of God.

\*Hymn

Come, Share the LORD

TFWS #2269, v.1,2,4

\*Opening Prayer

Merciful God, your ways are a mystery to us.

You warn us of the strangers' ways, then you bring us healing and peace through those we are taught to mistrust.

You speak words of wisdom through those we do not wish to hear.

Bathe us in the healing waters of your love once more, that we may be washed clean of our arrogance and presumption.

Then send us forth with messages of peace, that others may hear our words, and know that you are speaking still. 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

Susan Hollis

Presentation of our Gifts

\*Doxology

Praise, God from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

\*Prayer of Dedication

Bountiful God, the harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.

Through today's offerings, we pledge to be your laborers, that all may know the bounty of your harvest, and the gentleness of your peace. Amen.

\*Hymn of Preparation

Here I Am, LORD

UMH #593

"Let's Talk" Time

Rev. Cindy Boggs

\*Gospel Lesson Luke 10:1-20

## Call to Confession

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; yet we are justified by the gift of God's grace through the redemption that is ours in Christ Jesus. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin.

# **Prayer of Confession**

Mysterious One, you send us into the world, like lambs into the midst of wolves, to proclaim your peace;

you move within our hearts, stirring us to seek the welfare of those who have done us harm; you instruct us to reach out in gentleness to those who have gone astray.

Sometimes, O God, we do not feel up to it.

It is hard to love our nation's enemy.

It is difficult to heal those who have advocated violence.

It is humbling to learn of your love for those we have been taught to despise.

Forgive us. Teach us anew to follow your ways, that we too may be made whole. Amen.

#### Words of Assurance

God's anger may last a moment, but God's favor lasts a lifetime.

Weeping may last the night, but joy comes in the morning.

Rejoice and be glad, for we worship a God of steadfast love.

In the mercy of God, we are forgiven.

\*Hymn

Sent Out in Jesus' Name

TFWS #2184

## \*Sending Forth

Bear one another's burdens.

Correct one another with gentleness.

Bless one another with signs of peace.

Do not grow weary in doing what is right and you will reap a rich harvest of joy, hope, and love. Go in the peace of the LORD. **Amen.** 

\*Postlude Anita Chops

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# MISSION OF THE MONTH

# **H.O.C.**

# PEANUT BUTTER

**JELLY** 

CEREAL (any variety)

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".



August 5th
\*See Donna or Kaitlyn Folmar for details.



August 6th 9:00am - 4:00pm-ish

**Grades: Pre-K thru High School** 

**Pre-registration forms are on the Welcome Table, Website and Facebook.** 

\*See your bulletin insert on how you can help/donate.



# AUGUST 6TH - ONE DAY ONLY!

We are in need of your time and talent.

Our leaders need assistance in Crafts, Games, Lunchtime break and Door Security.

If you can't spare the time, can you spare a dime?

# Items needed:

Paper Towel tubes
Cinnamon Sticks
4 boxes of aluminum foil
Plain cupcakes (NO ICING)
Canned Vanilla icing
Cookies, any variety (NO PEANUT BUTTER)
Individual snack bags of chips, any variety
Kool-Aid Jammers, any flavor

\*Monetary gifts are always welcome.

For details & questions, see Pastor Cindy, Jan, Nancy McCord, Robin, Wayne or call the office, 304-242-1206.