Elm Grove United Methodist Church



September 11, 2022

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

Prelude Anita Chops

*Gathering Words

One: Call upon our God,

All: for God will hear our cry! One: Calling, you will be saved, All: for God will hear our cry!

One: In confidence and faith, come and gather in the protective love of God,

All: for God will hear our cry!

*Hymn

"I Love to Tell the Story"

UMH #156

*Opening Prayer

In the quiet of this moment, in the stillness of this place, draw near to us, O God.

As we seek the shelter of your refuge, as we celebrate the bounty of your provision, listen to our need, Holy One.

Transform this time and place into our land of milk and honey—

a land where you are among us, a land where your mighty hand and your outstretched arm protect us, a land where you alone are worthy of our worship and service.

We ask this in the saving name of Jesus, our LORD. Amen.

Sharing Joys & 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, 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

"People Need the LORD" Chancel Choir (11:00)

by L. Larson

UMH #895

Presentation of our Gifts

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

*Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, your gifts are indeed great, your works a wonder to behold. We thank you for the gift of your amazing grace, as we return a portion of these gifts to you. Bless these gifts, that our giving may become a beautiful message of your love and grace. In Christ's glorious name, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn of Preparation

"We Walk by Faith"

TFWS #2196

"Let's Talk" Time

Epistle Lessons

Ephesians 2:1-5 Romans 10:13-15

Message

"Ten Most Wanted List"

Rev. Debra Dague

Call to Confession

Take heart! Christ is with us, catching us with grace, even in our desperate sorrows. Christ is with us, redeeming us with mercy, even from our deepest sins.

Prayer of Confession

Faithful One, reach out to us with your grace and mercy.

Forgive us when we too easily accept our shortcomings.

Forgive us when we do not venture forth when you call us forward in faith.

As we call upon your holy name, reclaim us with your mercy and grace, that we may be your children—forgiven, renewed, and emboldened in the greatness of your living faith.

Words of Assurance

Take heart! Christ is with us, and holds our lives with mercy and grace. In Christ's love, we are forgiven indeed.

*Hymn

"As a Fire Is Meant for Burning"

TFWS #2237

*Sending Forth

Sisters and brothers, whom will you see this week?

What will they need? Will you dare to see their need and love them with the love of Christ? In Christ's name go and be good news!

We are sent in Christ's name! Thanks be to God!

*Postlude

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TEN MOST WANTED LIST

Ten people I covenant to pray for and to invite to church/church events.

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For pastoral care during Pastor Cindy's absence, please contact Rev. Neil Leftwich or Rev. Debra Dague.

MISSION OF THE MONTH

BLESSING BOX

Non-Perishable Food Items

*ABSOLUTELY NO EXPIRED OR OPENED ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED

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".



If you would like to send Cindy a card, please send it to the parsonage and someone will get it to her. If you need the address, contact Molly in the office.



It's been over two years and the quiet little town of Elm Grove has remained relatively.....quiet.

But on October 8th, 2022 that will all change!!!!!

For one night only, a very special red-carpet event will take place.

"Mischief, Mirth, and Mayhem: A Murder Mystery Retrospective"

is coming to Elm Grove United Methodist Church!

Enjoy canape's, hors d'oeuvres, and beverages while mingling with the stars of the AMEN Players.

Relive some of the love, romance, action, adventure, and of course, laughs from previous years.

Be a part of this special celebration marking the return of the AMEN Players to the extensive list of activities at Elm Grove United Methodist Church.

Doors open at 7:00 pm. Tickets \$10.00 per person.

Tickets available from one of the members of the Mission Committee or contact the church office. See you there!

CHICKEN & BISCUIT DINNER September 30, 2022 4:00pm to 6:30pm

MENU: Chicken Ala-King over biscuit, Green Beans, Jell-O Salad, Dessert & Beverage

Adults \$10.00, Children (under 10) \$7.00 EAT IN/TAKE OUT



TRUNK OR TREAT IS BACK!

October 30th, 6:00-7:00pm

If you would like to decorate your vehicle and join in the fun, please sign up in the Narthex or call the office, 304-242-1206.

We are also asking for bags of candy, any variety. Place your donations in the basket by the office.

Thank you for helping us reach the youth of this community!