

# *Elm Grove United Methodist Church*



**February 5, 2023**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

Welcome

Prelude

Anita Chops

\*Call to Worship

*One:* You are the salt of the earth.

***All:* May we season the world with faithfulness, O God.**

*One:* You are the light of the world.

***All:* May your love shine through us, O Christ our Savior.**

*One:* You are a city built on a hill.

***All:* May your vigor make us bold witnesses, O Spirit of the only living God.**

\*Hymn

*"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"*

TFWS #2153

\*Opening Prayer

**Light of the World, shine upon us, that we may glimpse your wisdom this day.**

**Love of all creation, flow through us, that we may be filled with your compassion and grace.**

**Flavor and spice of life, salt us with your truth, that we may spread your justice and love into all the corners of the earth.**

**In the light of your love, we pray. Amen.**



*Words of Assurance*

Christ guides us continually, blessing and strengthening us with grace to walk in God's ways.  
Receive the gift of forgiveness, that you may water the world with the same mercy and compassion  
you have experienced in Christ Jesus!

The Great Thanksgiving

UMH #13-14

\*Hymn

*"We All Are One in Mission"*

TFWS #2243

\*Sending Forth

You are the light of the world!

You are the salt of the earth!

Go forth with compassion, mercy, and grace.

Go forth with confidence, strength, and hope, shining for all to see!

**Amen.**

\*Postlude

Anita Chops

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# MISSION OF THE MONTH

## Bridge Street Middle School Food Bags

Items needed:

Individual - Microwaveable cups of Mac & Cheese  
Individual - Microwaveable cups of Mashed Potatoes

Pop-Tarts, 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".

# **EGUMC**

## **“Yard” Sale**

**March 24th - 4:30 to 7:30pm**  
**March 25th - 8:30am to 4:00pm**

Tables are still available.  
\$15/table  
(\*checks payable to “Troop 29”)

Sign-up in the Narthex or call the office.

*All proceeds benefit Boy Scout Troop 29*

## **THINK SPRING!!!**

The Stewardship Committee is running the annual plant & flower sale this year.

Vegetable & Herb plants (6-packs)  
Succulent Combos (6-packs)  
Landscape Flats (36-packs)  
Hanging Baskets (12-inch)  
Color Bowls (11-inch)

Order forms can be found on the Welcome Desk  
Or  
You can call the office or see Susi Whitecotton.

Sale ends April 2<sup>nd</sup>!!!

Plants will arrive between May 18-28<sup>th</sup>.



The Girl Scouts are selling yummy, scrumptious cookies again!

The order form is on the Welcome Desk

Place your order today!

Pastor Deb will be on vacation Feb. 4-11.

If you need pastoral care, please call the office and Molly will put you in touch with Rev. Neil Leftwich.

Pastor Deb will officially be in the office beginning February 16th and she will begin preaching February 19th.