

Elm Grove United Methodist Church



June 11, 2023

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

Prelude

Anita Chops

Centering Words

Leader: God's grace makes human faith possible. In this circle of grace and faith, miracles enter and bless our world.

*Call to Worship

Leader: Come into God's presence.

All: All are welcome here.

Leader: Come, saints and sinners alike.

All: We are all God's children.

Leader: Faith has brought us here.

All: Grace will make us whole.

Leader: Come! Let us worship.

*Hymn

"Something Beautiful"

UMH #394

*Opening Prayer

**Faithful and loving God, your grace makes our faith possible.
May we live and go about our lives as people who place our trust in you.
May we love and care for others as people who turn to you for help.
Where there is doubt or distrust, renew our faith.
Where there is fear or insecurity, grant us courage.
Where there is fatigue and weariness, give us amazing strength.
Where there is confusion and purpose, give us wisdom.
Where there is sorrow and loss, bring us peace.
In Christ's name, 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

Special Music

Katy & Kaleb Trimier

(11:00)

Presentation of our Gifts

*Doxology

"Bless Thou the Gifts"

UMH #587

*Prayer of Dedication

**Gracious God, you bless our lives, that we might be a blessing to others.
May the offering we bring before you this day be a sign of our commitment to bless the world in your name.
We send forth these gifts, that they may be instruments of your circle of grace and faith.
Amen.**

*Hymn

"Trust and Obey"

UMH #467

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Message

Doug Whitecotton

Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we yearn to be as merciful with others as you are with us.

We long to set aside past grudges, and love others for who they are now.

We are tired of sitting in judgment and failing to see others as your beloved children.

Fill us with your grace, that we might have enough faith to walk in your ways and to seek the healing of your world. Amen.

Words of Assurance

By the grace of God, our faith has made us well.

In the grace of Christ, our faith has led us home.

Through the grace of the Holy Spirit, our faith has made us whole.

*Hymn

"LORD of the Dance"

UMH #261

*Sending Forth

Go to the places God sends you.

Bless the people Christ calls you to bless.

Strengthen the faith of the hopeless and despairing.

Go with God's blessings. **Amen.**

*Postlude

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MISSION OF THE MONTH

The House of the Carpenter

Breakfast Cereal, any variety

You may drop your donation at the church during regular office hours or Sunday mornings.

Monetary donations are always welcome,
just mark the memo line of your check "Mission Group".



VBS
July 17-20 (4 days only!)
9:00am – 12:00pm
Grades K-5

Pre-Registration available



We are still in need of Adult & Teen Help.
Call the office if you or someone you know
would be willing to help.

To help us plan for VBS, please look over the list of needs below to see if you can provide any of the items.

VBS is important, but expensive, so financial gifts are also appreciated.

Items needed:

Rice Krispie Treats

Cocoa Rice Krispie Treats

Graham Crackers

Capri-Sun Drink Pouches

Strawberry or Grape Jelly

Oreo Cookies

Mini-Marshmallows

Hand Wipes

Contact the office for questions:

304-242-1206

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Christmas Trees

Can we borrow your Christmas tree for VBS?

We are looking for 7ft. trees or smaller to use for props.

Please label your tree box and tag your tree with your name.

Drop-off at the church any Sunday morning or regular office hours.

Trees will be returned promptly after VBS.

Thank You!