

# Elm Grove United Methodist Church



August 13, 2023

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome  
Prelude

*"Mercy Walked In"*  
*Soloist: Brian McCullough*

by G. Mote

\*Call to Worship

*Leader:* The Spirit is calling.

**All: We will listen and learn.**

*Leader:* The heavens are shining.

**All: We will sing and rejoice.**

*Leader:* The Spirit is moving.

**All: We will live the promises of God.**

\*Hymn

*"There's a Spirit of Love in This Place"*

W/S #3148

\*Opening Prayer

**Spirit of God, blow through our lives and through our worship.**

**Bind us together in unity and love, that we might be one body in Christ, one body in ministry to the world.**

**Strengthen us with your power, that we might fulfill your call in our lives— a call to love and service.**

**Anoint us with your mysterious presence, and send us forth to be the hands and feet of Christ.  
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

*"People Like Me"*  
*Soloist: Brian McCullough*

by J/S Easter

Presentation of our Gifts

\*Doxology

*"The Gift of Love"*

UMH #408, vs.3

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Spirit of generosity and love, flow through these gifts and offerings.**

**Work in the ministries of our church, that Christ's love may be seen clearly and felt completely in all that we say and in all that we do.**

**In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

\*Hymn

*"Here I Am, LORD"*

UMH #593

Scripture

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Message

*"Here I am LORD, use Me!"*

Rev. Debra Dague

*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 sins.

Prayer of Confession

**Spirit of forgiveness and grace, you know when we have failed to hear your word or live your love. Forgive us.**

**Open our ears to hear and our hearts to love.**

**Spirit of mercy and kindness, you know when we have harmed the community with our strife and our disagreements. Forgive us.**

**Guide us into unity and selflessness, that our church might be faithful disciples of your Son. Spirit of truth and righteousness, speak to us always, move through our lives and through our church, that our lives and our ministry might tell of your glory and display your handiwork.**

**In trust and gratitude, we pray. Amen.**

*Words of Assurance*

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

\*Hymn

*"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"*

UMH #110, vs.1,2,4

\*Sending Forth

*Pastor:* You are the body of Christ, individual members of a community of love and faith.

***All:* We go forth as Christ's hands and feet, Christ's heart and mind, to share Christ's love and ministry of grace.**

*Pastor:* Go forth in unity and joy.

***All:* Amen.**

\*Postlude

Anita Chops

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*"Book of Common Worship" © 2018*

# MISSION OF THE MONTH

## WHEELING HOUSING (Senior Citizens)

- Body Wash
- Deodorant
- Shaving Cream
- Disposable Razors

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".

## *Spiritual Gift Inventory*

\* Hard copies of "Spiritual Gift Inventory"  
are on the Welcome Desk.

\* Online link below:

\* <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/spiritual-gifts-inventory/en>

\* You may request a copy of the "Spiritual Gift Inventory" to be emailed to you by calling the office during office hours or signing up on the Welcome Desk.



**UMM Spaghetti Dinner**

**August 26th**

**1:00-5:30pm**

**\$10/Adult and \$6/Children (under age 6)**

**Menu: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Dessert & Drink**

**\*Take-Out available**

**For tickets, see Bill Daniel or the church office**

**&**

**Heaven Bound Ministries Concert**

**6:00pm**

**(Free admission)**



**August 20th**

**6:00pm**

**We will meet in the church parking lot,  
then caravan to the local schools to pray for their new school year.**

**PLEASE JOIN US!**



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**INDOOR** **EGUMC**  
**"YARD" SALE**



**WHEN:** **FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2023 – 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM**  
**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2023 – 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**WHERE:** **ELM GROVE UMC – 125 KRUGER STREET**  
**WHEELING, WV 26003**

**CONCESSION**  
**STAND FOOD**

**36**  
**INDIVIDUAL**  
**VENDOR**  
**TABLES**

**ORGANIZED AND RAN BY BOY SCOUT TROOP 29!!**

\*To reserve a table to sell your items, call the office at 304-242-1206

Or

Sign-up at the Welcome Desk