

Elm Grove United Methodist Church



April 7, 2024

2nd Sunday of Easter

Welcome

Prelude

Anita Chops

*Hymn

“They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love”

TFWS #2223

*Call to Worship

Leader: The day has dawned.

All: Sing a new song!

Leader: Christ is alive.

All: Rejoice in new life!

Leader: With open minds and Easter faith,

All: come to worship God!

*Opening Prayer

Feed us with your word, Jesus. With new perspectives, and a vision of your presence, refresh our hearts this day.

Be present in our midst, that we might hear your voice and respond to your call. 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

"The Longer I Serve Him"
Chancel Choir

by W. Gaither
11:00

Presentation of our Gifts

*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #94

*Prayer of Dedication

With your love, holy Shepherd, help us to love your world.

With your nourishment, help us feed your world.

With your guidance, help us care for your world, all of its people, and all of its creatures.

With these gifts, bring new life where it is needed most. Amen.

Dismissal for Children's Church (ages infant-5th grade)

11:00

*Passing the Peace

*Hymn

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

UMH #557 (8:30)

"Come, Share the Lord"

TFWS #2269 (11:00)

Scripture

John 21:15-19

Message

"God Loves, Accepts, and Forgives Us!"

Rev. Debra Dague

Call to Confession

Our old selves were crucified with him, so that we might be slaves to sin no more.

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sins.

Prayer of Confession

Pastor: When we deny you, and follow paths that destroy...

All: Forgive us, Christ Jesus.

Pastor: When we hide our eyes, and neglect your truth...

All: Forgive us, Christ Jesus.

Pastor: When we miss your presence in our very midst...

All: Forgive us, Christ Jesus.

Pastor: Feed us with your grace, merciful one.

All: Nourish us with a new perspective, that we might see you in our very lives, and nourish your world with love.

Pastor: In your gracious name, we pray. **Amen.**

Words of Assurance

Though we have borne the long night of suffering and sorrow, joy comes with the dawn of God's mercy.

The light of the Risen Christ shines with the dawn.

Rejoice in this Easter promise!

We are forgiven and given new life in Christ!

Communion

see insert/screen

*Hymn

"We Are the Church"

UMH #558

*Sending Forth

Go forth to proclaim new life!

Go forth to proclaim the Risen Christ!

Go forth to feed the world with love! **Amen.**

*Postlude

Anita Chops

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MISSION OF THE MONTH

YMCA

- + Shampoo & Conditioner
- + Deodorant
- + Body Wash or Bars of Soap

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".

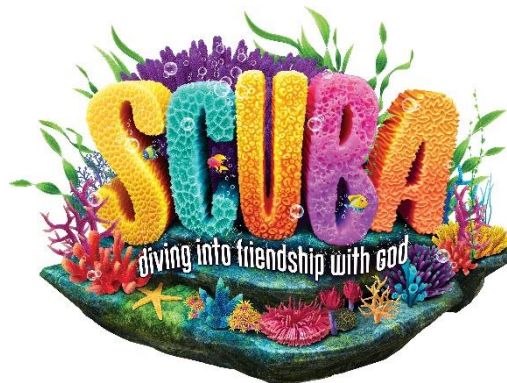
Vacation Bible School
June 24-28
9:00am - 12:00pm

We are asking for monetary donations to help defray the cost for VBS supplies.

Donations can be placed in the "SCUBA" can found near the Narthex.

See Molly for questions, or if you would like to volunteer at VBS.

THANK YOU for your support!





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your
calendar!**

Annual Quarter Auction

April 27, 2024

Doors open at 12:00pm

Auction begins at 1:00pm

*See your bulletin insert for ways you can help!

MULCH SALE!!

Information & Order Form is on the Welcome Desk

***See Scott Beresh for questions.**

SALE ENDS APRIL 24TH!