

Elm Grove United Methodist Church



June 9, 2024

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

Prelude

"Excuses"
Soloist – Ruth Bechdolt

by H. Leake

*Hymn

"My Hope Is Built"

UMH #368

*Call to Worship

Leader: All who need a place to belong...

***People:* join the family of God.**

Leader: All who seek spiritual brothers and sisters...

***People:* join the family of God.**

Leader: All who strive to grow in faith and love...

***People:* join the family of God.**

*Opening Prayer

Sovereign God, come to us when we lose our way.

For we need you to be our King— to lead us on right paths, teach us the ways of life and death, and shelter us from our foes.

We need you to be our comforter— to love us as a father, nurture us as a mother, shelter us as a brother, and assure us as a sister.

Welcome us into the arms of your mercy, O God, and we will be your people, even as you are our God and King. 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

"Thank You, Lord, for Your Blessings"
Soloist – Ruth Bechdolt

by Easter

Presentation of our Gifts

*Doxology

"In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful"

TFWS #2195

*Prayer of Dedication

God of our days, you call us to work in your world.

Strengthen our arms and encourage our hearts for the tasks you lay before us.

Help us to lay aside our worries and to rejoice in your gifts.

Silence our conflicts and teach us gentleness and mercy.

May all we do, praise you forever. Amen.

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

11:00

*Passing the Peace

*Hymn

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

UMH #454

Scripture

Mark 3:20-35

Message

Doug Whitecotton

Prayer of Confession

Caring Father, in the midst of our brokenness, knit us together as your family.

Loving Father, in the midst of our woundedness, seal us in your heart as sisters and brothers.

Gentle Spirit, swing wide the doors of our church, that all may find within these walls a place where your will is done and holy relationships are nurtured.

In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Christ says to us: *"Here are my mother and my brothers. Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."*

As the family of God, we are loved and cherished by our gracious God.

*Hymn

"Lord of the Dance"

UMH #261

*Sending Forth

Leader: With God as our King, go to build God's realm here on earth.

***People:* With our inner natures renewed, we go forth to proclaim God's glory.**

Leader: With your sisters and brothers in Christ and your mothers and fathers in faith, go to be Christ's family.

***People:* With our hearts set free to love, we go to share Christ's love with all. Amen.**

*Postlude

Anita Chops

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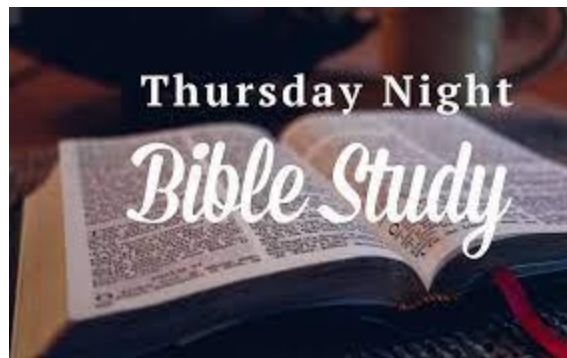
MISSION OF THE MONTH

The Blessing Box

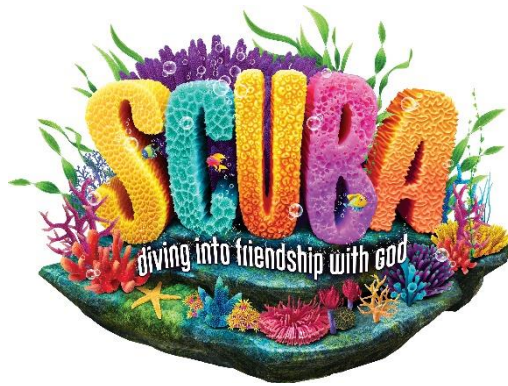
- Flour
- Sugar
- Cooking Oil
- Boxed (Liquid) Milk

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".



Beginning June 13th
We will begin studying
"Psalms of the Ascent",
Psalms 120-134.



VBS

June 24-28

9:00am to 12:00pm

Grades K-5

*We are still accepting monetary donations to help defray costs.

To register your child for VBS, scan the code below with your cell phone, visit the web link below, or pick-up a registration form from the church office.

<https://vbspro.events/p/299228>



ADULT VBS

Enjoy an adult experience of "SCUBA" VBS

JUNE 28th, 6:00-8:00pm

*Dinner will be provided

Sign-up in the Narthex

Cookie Donations for VBS

- Chocolate Chip
- Sugar (colored sprinkles are ok)

*No nuts or icing, please

See Jan or Karen Stewart for questions.



June 30, 2024

One worship service - 8:30am

Covered-dish

If you are interested in becoming a member of Elm Grove United Methodist Church,
please speak with Pastor Deb.