

# Elm Grove United Methodist Church



August 25, 2024

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

Prelude

*“The Old Rugged Cross”*  
*Soloist: Brian McCullough*

by G. Bennard

\*Hymn

*“When We All Get to Heaven”*

UMH #701

\*Call to Worship

**Leader:** Jesus calls us to follow him.

**People:** We come wondering where he will take us.

**Leader:** Jesus shows us the way to God.

**People:** He is the way, the truth, and the life.

**Leader:** Jesus prepares a place for us in the house of God.

**People:** We come like living stones, ready to be built into a spiritual house, a welcoming home for all who seek the Holy One.

\*Opening Prayer

Merciful God, our refuge and our strength, train our hearts on the words of your Son: *“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me.”*

Feed our souls and build our very lives into spiritual houses that neither famine nor storm can shake the foundation of our faith.

In the name of the master builder and the living stone, 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

*"Here Comes Jesus"*  
Soloist: Brian McCullough

by C. Spitzer

Presentation of our Gifts

\*Doxology *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

UMH #95

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Holy Giver of all that is good, receive these offerings from our hands.  
Use us as living stones, building your house in the hearts of your people. Amen.**

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

11:00

\*Passing the Peace

\*Hymn

*"His Eye Is on the Sparrow"*

TFWS #2146

Scripture

John 14:1-3

Message

*"Bound for Glory"*

Rev. Debra Dague

Prayer of Confession

**Living God, in times of spiritual homelessness, we long to hear Jesus's assurance that he has prepared a place for us; we yearn to be formed by the Master Builder into spiritual houses, like living stones. Grant us the courage of Stephen and the confidence of Peter, as we strive to be a holy priesthood. In your blessed name, we pray. Amen.**

*Words of Assurance*

Do not let your hearts be troubled.  
Believe in God and place your faith in Christ.  
Make your petitions known and the one who is faithful will answer.

\*Hymn

*"Victory in Jesus"*

UMH #370

\*Sending Forth

Go into the world as the people of God, sharing the loving-kindness that you have received from God and the abundant grace of the Holy Spirit through Jesus, who is the Christ. **Amen.**

\*Postlude

Anita Chops

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***"Faith & Family Night"***  
***Washington Wild Things Game***  
***August 31st***  
***Christian Concert at 6:30pm***  
***Game begins @ 7:05pm***  
***\$10/person***  
***There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex.***  
***\*See Todd Kimpel for questions.***

# MISSION OF THE MONTH

## The Blessing Box

- Peanut Butter
  - Jelly
- Saltine Crackers
  - Cereal

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".

\*And as always, we gladly accept non-perishable food items for the Blessing Box all year.

Evangelism Team Mtg.  
August 28th  
6:00pm

See Rose Ealy for questions about this new church team.



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

**WHEN:** FRIDAY OCTOBER 4, 2024 – 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM  
SATURDAY OCTOBER 5, 2024 – 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM

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

**FULL CONCESSION STAND**

CHEESEBURGERS, CHICKEN SANDWICHES, HOME MADE  
SOUPS, CHILI, HOTDOGS, FRIES, DRINKS, BAKED GOODS

DINE IN OR TAKE OUT.

QUART SIZE SOUP CONTAINERS AVAILABLE

**36 INDIVIDUAL  
VENDORTABLES**

NO ENTRY CHARGE

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