

Elm Grove United Methodist Church



September 8, 2024

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering Words

Everyone matters or no one matters. Here, everyone matters, and all are welcomed by the love of God.

Prelude

“Lift Up Your Heads”
Organist: Anita Chops

by L. Smith

*Hymn

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

UMH #57, vs. 1-4

*Opening Prayer

We place our trust in you, O God, for your love and faithfulness are steadfast and true. Breathe your Holy Spirit into our worship and your very presence into our lives, that our love and faithfulness may be steadfast and true. 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

"I Love the Lord"
Organist: Anita Chops

by J. Southbridge
8:30

"The Time for Singing has Come"
Chancel Choir

by J. Martin
11:00

Presentation of our Gifts

*Doxology

"Give Thanks"

TFWS #2036

*Prayer of Dedication

Through these gifts and offerings, bless your world, O God.

Through our lives and our actions, bring love to your creation, that all may know your presence and live in your grace. Amen.

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

11:00

*Passing the Peace

*Hymn

"He Touched Me"

UMH #367

Scripture

Mark 7:24-37

Message

Doug Whitecotton

Prayer of Confession

Creator God, you create all people in your image.

When we neglect the needs of the poor, raise our commitment to care for others and to help create justice for all.

When favoritism and prejudice blind us, and when we exclude and demean others, focus us on your inclusive love, a love that welcomes us and calls us to welcome others.

Live in us and through us, that our lives and our actions may reflect your image in all that we say and in all that we do. Amen.

Words of Assurance

God is good

all the time.

And all the time,

God is good.

In God's goodness, we touch goodness.

In God's love, we receive love.

In God's grace and mercy,

we find fellowship with God's people.

*Hymn

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

UMH #664

*Sending Forth

Go as God's children.

We go as Christ's hands and feet.

Go as God's faithful followers.

We go to live our faith with love in action. Amen.

*Postlude

"Allegro Vivace"
Organist: Anita Chops

by G.F. Handel

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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.



September 27th

4:00 - 6:30pm

Eat in/Take out

\$15/Adult

\$8/Children (under age 10)

Buy tickets:

**from the Stewardship Committee, or
the church office.**



**mark
your
calendar!**

Charge Conference

September 30th

6:30pm

ALL CHURCH MEMBERS WELCOME!



Elm Grove
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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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Thursday @ 12:00pm

Bring a packed lunch
Dessert & refreshment will be provided.

Program presented by Peggy Laing.
All ladies welcome!