# Elm Grove United Methodist Church



October 27, 2024

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Anita Chops

Gathering Words (All United Women of Faith stand and recite together)

Our Local purpose is to be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

\*Hymn

"The Climate Is Changing"

on the screen

\*Opening Prayer

Leader: You are the salt of the earth.

*People:* May we season the world with faithfulness, O God.

*Leader:* You are the light of the world.

People: May your love shine through us, O Christ our Savior.

*Leader:* You are a city built on a hill.

People: May your vigor make us bold witnesses, O Spirit of the only living God.

Sharing Concerns & Joys 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	"Turn It Up!" Women's Chorus	by G. Pugh Hubbard & M. McCreary		
Presentation of our Gifts *Doxology	"Praise God, from Whom A	<i>ll Blessings Flow"</i> UMH #95		
*Prayer of Dedication Glorious God, we like to practice random acts of kindness. Your Word even confirms that we further your kingdom when we show kindness and compassion to another person. We pray that Jesus' life and teaching may be our example for sharing intentionally our talents, prayers, time, witness, and offerings. We humbly give this offering as an expression of our faith. Amen				
Dismissal for Children's	Church (ages infant-5th grad	le) 11:00		
*Passing the Peace				
*Hymn	"Have Thine Own Way	<i>v Lord</i> " UMH #382		
Scripture		Matthew 5:13-16		

Message "Sharing Giving Missions" Anita Chops

Mission Recognition Pins

Anita Chops

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, we are grateful that you have led us in the past and will continue to lead us in the future.

Thank you that your faithfulness to us does not depend upon our faithfulness to you, for often we have failed to follow your leadership.

We have sown seeds of war, not peace; we have spoken words of anger, not love; we have failed to build bridges with people in our neighborhoods when we should reach out to them in Jesus' name. We repent of these sins and ask your forgiveness.

Change our hearts and give us the strength to walk in the ways of reconciliation and peace. We pray this through Christ, our LORD. Amen.

*Hymn	"The Voice of God Is Calling"	UMH #436	
*Sending Forth	"May You Run and Not Be Weary"	TFWS #2281	

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# **MISSION OF THE MONTH**

### <u>Veteran's Center</u>

- Kroger Gift Cards
- Walmart Gift Cards

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.

TRUNK OF BEAT B (Monday) October 28<sup>th</sup> 6:30-7:30pm Decorate your trunk, bring your treats & join the fun!

\*Please plan for at least 200-250 kids.

Sign up at the Welcome Desk \*See Molly for questions.



3rd - Turn back your clocks.

16th - Free Community Lunch, 11:00am to Noon

24th - One Worship Service at 10:00am, followed by a covered-dish lunch.

24th - Suzie's Sweet's Auction beginning at 12:00pm.

24th - Hanging the Greens beginning at 4:00pm. (WE NEED HELP!!!!)

30th - Christmas in the Grove, 6:00pm.