

Elm Grove United Methodist Church



November 17, 2024

26st Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome

Prelude

Anita Chops

*Hymn

“O Worship the King”

UMH #73

*Call to Worship

Leader: Children of God, when wars and rumors of wars circle all around, Jesus says:

***People:* Do not be alarmed. This is not the end.**

Leader: When earthquakes, hurricanes, fires, famines, and floods produce chaos and destruction, Jesus says:

***People:* Do not be alarmed. This is not the end.**

Leader: When misinformation and disinformation try to dismantle relationships of trust in our families, churches, cities, and nation,

Jesus says:

***People:* Do not be alarmed. This is not the end.**

Leader: Children of God, whatever leaves you feeling unsteady, insecure, scared, and confused today - do not be alarmed. This is not the end.

***People:* We come to worship God who inscribes our ending, our beginning, and everything in-between in Love. Thanks be to**

God! Amen.

*Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father, we come before you with grateful hearts. We thank you for the gift of this day and for the opportunity to gather together. May your presence fill this place and guide our thoughts and actions. Open our hearts to your wisdom and love, and help us to listen and learn from one another. Bless our time together and help us to grow in faith, hope, and love. Amen

Sharing Concerns & Joys

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

"In Your House, O Lord"
Chancel Choir

By Jay Turner
11:00

*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

*Prayer of Dedication:

Merciful God, whose wisdom surpasses all understanding, we offer these gifts as a token of our faith and devotion. In a world full of uncertainties, may these offerings be used to spread your hope and love. Teach us to listen to your voice amid the noise and to trust in your steadfast presence. Bless our giving, that it may build your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

(Mark13:1-8)

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

11:00

*Passing the Peace

*Hymn

"I Am Thine, O Lord"

UMH #419

Scripture

Mark 13:1-8

Message

"The End of The Beginning"

Rosella Ealy

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news: Through Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! The old has passed away, and the new has come. Live in the assurance that God's grace is sufficient and that His love for you is steadfast and enduring. Amen

*Hymn

“ Stand By Me ”

*Sending Forth

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May His face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May He lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace. Go forth in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, sharing His love and light with all you meet. **Amen.**

*Postlude

Anita Chops

MISSION OF THE MONTH

Veteran's Center

- Kroger Gift Cards
- Walmart 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.



NOTICE - We will be printing a new directory. If anyone does not want their info in the new directory, please call the office.

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

17th - Hanging the Greens beginning at 4:00pm.
(WE NEED HELP!!!!!!)

23rd - Live Nativity Meeting 9:00 am
Anyone interested in helping is encouraged to attend.

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

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

30th - Christmas in the Grove, 6:00pm.
(WE NEED HELP!!!!!! There is a sign up sheet across from the front doors)



The Asbury Class is collecting filled shoe boxes, and items to fill boxes. Also accepting money for shipping and handling through Sunday November 24, 2024. This year we would like to send at least 28 boxes (double last year). For more information, or to pick up an empty shoe box, please see a member of the Asbury Class or the table at the back of the sanctuary

