

# *Elm Grove United Methodist Church*



**March 16, 2025**

**Second Sunday in Lent**

Elm Grove United Methodist Church is an inviting community who loves God and loves spreading the good news to all people .

We're glad you've joined us today.

Welcome

Announcements

Prelude    *"Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen"*    by George Blake

*Anita Chops, Organist*

\*Call to Worship

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Prelude                    *“Promenade “*                    by Modeste Moussorgsky                    *Anita Chops, Organist*

\*Call to Worship

*Leader:* We follow Christ,

***People:* Who says take up your cross.**

*Leader:* We follow Christ,

***People:* Who bids us come and offer our lives.**

*Leader:* We follow Christ,

***People:* Who summons us to new life.**

*Leader:* Come, let us worship our Creator.

\*Hymn                    *“Come Away with Me”*                    IFWS #2202 1, 2, 3

\*Opening prayer

**Creator God, This is the day that You have made! This is the day you have called Holy: Make us glad this morning to be in the House of the Lord. Remove from us our distractions, our heart-worries, our to-dos and should-haves and all the constant stress & strain. And in its place, O God, give us more of You. Here in your House, let our hearts be filled with peace and our tongues utter shouts of praise. Alleluia! Amen.**

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

LORD's Prayer

**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, and Tithes

Special Music

*"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"*

by Dorothy Wells  
8:30

*"We Are Not Alone"*

by David Lantz

*Chancel Choir*

11:00

Presentation of Gifts

\*Doxology *"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"* UMH #95

\*Prayer of Dedication

**Lord Jesus, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that all people might come within the reach of your saving embrace. Lord let our gifts today be used to stretch out our hands, in your name, in loving service for others so others can know you and the new life you offer. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.**

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

Passing the Peace

\*Hymn

*"I Am Thine O Lord"*

UMH #419

Scripture

Luke 23:32-34

Pastor Debra Dague

Message *"What Does a Dying Man say to a Dying World?"*

Pastor Debra Dague



## Calendar of Events March 16 through March 23

Sunday	3/16	Worship Service - 8:30am Sunday School - 9:45am Worship Service - 11:00am Old Fellowship Hall in use - 7:00pm
Monday	3/17	AMP -10:00am – 12:00pm Lois's Stiches of Caring –1:00pm Boy Scouts - 6:30pm
Tuesday	3/18	Nothing Scheduled
Wednesday	3/19	Newmeyer Hall in use - 10:00am - 12:00pm Girl Scouts – 6:00pm Choir – 6:30
Thursday	3/20	Newmeyer Hall in Use 11:30 am – 12:30pm Bible Study - 6:00pm
Friday	3/21	Nothing Scheduled
Saturday	3/22	Nothing Scheduled
Sunday	3/23	Worship Service - 8:30am Sunday School - 9:45am Worship Service - 11:00am Old Fellowship Hall in use - 7:00pm

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Samaritan Purse Christmas Shoebox donation. Our shoeboxes will be delivered to children in South Africa.

***\*\*\* A note from Jan Coffey;***

***At this time I am overwhelmed with plastic bags & containers. Please do not bring me any more for the next two months. Thank you***



### **March**

**Indoor Yard Sale - March 28th & 29th**  
**Annual Spring Plant Sale - Last day to order March 30th**  
**One Service/Lunch - March 30th**

### **April**

**Evangelism Event – April 5th**  
**Iney's Pre-Loved Boutique - April 12th**  
**Free Community Lunch - April 12th**  
**Palm Sunday - April 13th**  
**Maundy Thursday - April 17th**  
**Good Friday - April 18th**  
**Take out fish fry - April 18th**  
**Easter - April 20th**

### **May**

**Boy Scouts Mulch Day - May 3rd**  
**Iney's Pre-Love Boutique - May 3rd & 17th**  
**Quarter Auction - May 10th**  
**Mother's Day - May 11th**  
**Free Community Lunch - May 17th**  
**Memorial Day - May 26th**

### **June**

**Iney's Pre-Loved Boutique - June 7th & 21st**  
**Kruger St. Toy & Train Museum Train Show - June 13th & 14th**  
**VBS Sunday June 15th**  
**Week of June 16th - 20th - VBS**  
**Free Community Lunch—June 21<sup>st</sup>**

# MISSION OF THE MONTH

## House of the Carpenter

Collecting in March

**Laundry Detergent**

**Dish Soap**

**Bath Soap**

- Place your donations in the baskets at the back of the sanctuary. Thank you for your support, so we can support others.

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

## OUR CONCERNS & PRAYERS

### Conference Prayer

UM Seminary Students

Gabrial Allen  
Mary Clark  
Sharon Cundiff  
Tom Friesmuth  
Jerry Harding  
Ron Hosey  
James Jones, Sr.  
Mikey Kuthy  
Roger Nicholson  
Debbie Pickens  
Evelyn Pulse  
Abigail S.  
Jean Sipos  
Shasta Toppeto  
Jack Yost

### District Prayer

Pastors serving in the Northern WVUMC

#### Prayer Concerns

Kathy Bertozzi  
Christine Collins  
Pastor Deb  
Steve Gibson  
Patty Henry  
Margie Jenkins  
Jennifer Jones  
Sally Marple  
Russ Nightengale  
Colleen Polley  
Darlene Richmond  
Scott S.  
Gina Stewart  
Bill Wade

Bo Brown, Sr.  
Linda Cunningham  
Holly Custer  
Roberta Gilday  
Fred Hicks  
Joyce Johnston  
Dave Kent  
Dave Martin  
Bill Pack  
Mary Bell Porter  
Ty Roeder  
Laura Sanetrik  
Sharon Stiles  
Anthony Wakim

Kay Brown  
Scott Cundiff  
Bev Duffy  
Leonard Hackathorn  
Barbara Hopkins  
Colin Jones  
Cheyenne Kent  
Natalie Moses  
Judy Pack  
Candis Pubal  
Virginia Rogalski  
Dee Seabright  
Lisa Taylor  
Mike Wallace

If you have a name you would like on the list, you can email [elmgroveumc@comcast.net](mailto:elmgroveumc@comcast.net) or call the office, 304-242-1206.

#### Nursing Home

Charles Loughman - The Grove, Wash. Pa.  
Louise Gray - Good Shepherd  
Joyce Johnston - Good Shepherd

#### Home Bound

Mary Lou McKain  
Jerry Genter

#### Military

SSgt Jonathan Davis  
Cpt Joseph Minor

SPC Hayden Beresh  
4/C Luke Minor

ENS Thomas Minor

#### College Students

Shalyn Beisner  
Chelsea Folmar

Gavin Beresh  
Maggie Rowe