

Welcome to Elizabethtown United Methodist Church



Sunday, April 14, 2024

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Prelude

Greeting and Announcements

Centering Words

***Call to Worship¹ (Leader part, Congregation part)**

Turn to Christ,

who calls us here.

Place your trust in God,

who protects our lives.

Lean into Spirit,

as we worship in Spirit and truth.

Opening Prayer¹

***Opening Hymn**

UMH #315

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

Call to Confession

Prayer of Yearning (Unison)

Answer us, O God, as we turn to you for mercy and strength.

Listen to the yearnings of our hearts and the regrets of our lives.

Comfort us in our distress and pour your grace into our lives.

Redeem us with your love, that we might rise with Christ, newborn and vibrantly alive.

Grant us the confidence to witness to your life-giving love. Amen.

Words of Assurance

A Time of Thanksgiving and Prayer

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

***Hymn of Preparation**

UMH #577

God of Grace and God of Glory

Scripture:

1 John 3:1-7

Message

Purified Through Hope

Offertory

Doxology

UMH #95

Offertory Prayer¹

***Closing Hymn**

FWS #2175

Together We Serve

Benediction and Dismissal¹ (Leader, Congregation)

You are witnesses of God's love.

We are witnesses of God's love.

You are witnesses of Christ's life.

We are witnesses of Christ's life.

You are witnesses of the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are witnesses of life and love in the Spirit.

Go forth as witnesses of the blessings of our God.

***Hymn of Sending Forth**

UMH# 672

God Be With You

Postlude

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Announcements

- EWOWS (yarn group)
 - Saturday, April 20, 10am-noon
- Board Meeting
 - May 5th, right after worship
- Do you have an idea, or need, for a small group?
Let us know
- Do you have anything to add?

Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries

- April 30th
 - Kim's Birthday
- Let us know if we missed your special day