

# Welcome to Elizabethtown United Methodist Church



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**Prelude**

**Greeting and Announcements**

**Centering Words**

**\*Call to Worship<sup>1</sup> (Leader part, Congregation part)**

We do not live by bread alone, but by the life-giving word of God's love.

**God, give us the bread of life, today and always.**

Too long have we lived with hunger, seeking to fill our appetites with food that leaves us wanting.

**Too long have we starved ourselves of spiritual food that truly satisfies.**

"I am the Bread of Life," Jesus tells us. "Whoever comes to me will never be hungry."

**"Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."**

Come, Holy Spirit. Feed us with your grace and love.

**May we love our neighbors, ourselves, and you, so that we may never be hungry again. Amen.**

**Opening Prayer<sup>1</sup>**

**\*Opening Hymn**

TFWS #2062

*The Lily of the Valley*

**Prayer of Yearning (Unison)<sup>1</sup>**

**God of abundance, you long to feed your children, whenever we are hungry.**

**Yet we often turn away and seek happiness elsewhere.**

**When we compete with others for status, help us support one another in love.**

**When we measure our worth by our productivity,  
help us rest in the assurance that we are your  
children.**

**When we avoid conflict, move us to speak your  
truth in love.**

**Return us to your ways, Holy One, that our souls  
may be satisfied, and our hearts may be at peace.  
Amen.**

## **Words of Assurance<sup>1</sup>**

### **Time of Thanksgiving and Prayer**

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

### **\*Hymn of Preparation**

UMH #620

*One Bread, One Body*

### **Scripture:**

John 6:24-35

### **Message**

*Bread of Life*

### **Offertory**

### **Doxology**

UMH #95

### **Offertory Prayer<sup>1</sup>**

### **\*Closing Hymn**

UMH #351

*Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior*

### **Benediction and Dismissal<sup>1</sup>**

### **\*Hymn of Sending Forth**

UMH# 672

*God be With You*

### **Postlude**

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## Announcements

- EWOWS (yarn group)
  - Invited to our Back-to-School Ice Cream/Grill Out
  - Saturday, August 10, 11am-1pm
- Back-To-School Ice Cream Social & Grill Out
  - Saturday, August 10, 11am-1pm
- Do you have anything to add?

## Upcoming Birthdays & Anniversaries

- July 31st - Jayne & Glen's Anniversary
- Let us know if we missed your special day

**If there's a way the church can serve you, and our community, we want to talk. Call or text us at 513-253-4510.**