

Grottoes United Methodist Church  
 Pastor – Brian Posey  
 November 20, 2022  
 24th Sunday after Pentecost - Reign of Christ Sunday

Gathering:  
 Prelude:  
 Welcome:  
 Announcements:  
 Call to Worship:

God has called all of us here beloved.  
**We are given new names of hope and promise.**  
 Even though storms and trials have assailed us,  
**God has drawn us through to the time of salvation.**  
 Thanks be to God for God's victory in Jesus Christ!  
**May Jesus reign in our hearts all of our days. AMEN.**

Opening Hymn: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Pg. #154

Opening Prayer:

Lord of light and life, we come to you this day in celebration of the witness of your Son Jesus Christ. Open our hearts, our spirits, and our lives to listen to his words for us. Help us to be faithful disciples for you; for we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

Psalm Reading: Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.  
**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**  
 though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.  
**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**  
 God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.  
**The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.**  
 The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.  
**Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.**

## *Poinsettia's For Christmas*

You are invited to help us decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas by sponsoring a Poinsettia in honor or memory of a loved one.

The cost is **\$18.00 per Poinsettia.**

To place your order, complete the order form in your Bulletin and place in the Offering plate with your check ("Poinsettia" in memo line). **Deadline is December 4<sup>th</sup>**



You may also return to the Church Office. For more information contact Gloria Lucas or Pastor Brian.



## Annual Apple tree Project



The Apple Tree Project helps children of incarcerated parents receive a special Christmas gift.

- Select an envelope with a child's name and gift request.  
*(Located on Communion rail in front of Sanctuary.)*
- Please fill out the clipboard showing which name you have selected.

All gifts are due back by **December 1, 1022**  
 With money for shipping and a small roll of gift wrap.  
**(Please do not wrap the gifts before returning them to the church)**

## ERMA FOOD PANTRY

### *Christmas Baskets*

Pop Tarts Cookies Soups Bags of Nacho Chips cakes Cans of Pork and beans	Canned Meats Cheese Crackers Bags of Chips Stove top Popcorn	Candy Peanut Butter Crackers Bags Cheese Curls Little Debbie snack Bags of Popcorn Cans of Spaghetti-Os
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*Miscellaneous Items But similar to the Above List:*



# Thank You For Worshiping With Us Today!

## The Mission of the United Methodist Church



"To Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world"

We are a *faith community* that shares  
*God's gifts of love and hope* through:  
Uplifting worship, Acts of Compassion,  
Spiritual growth & fellowship, Service to others



## Did you know Grottoes UMC now has a Radio Station?



You can now listen at your convenience at [www.grottoesumc.org](http://www.grottoesumc.org)  
or

Download the "Grottoes UMC Church App" on your smartphones  
(Available in the Apple App store, Google Play store, Amazon App Store)

## LIVESTREAM WORSHIP



Catch our Worship Livestream every  
Sunday 10:00a.m. on the Grottoes UMC  
Facebook page. Or on the GUMC App.



### GUMC COVID-19 Policy Update:

**We are no longer enforcing Masks, or Social Distancing**

- Free masks are available in narthex
- Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex

*We ask worshipers to employ best practices for the good of all.  
If you are feeling sick, please stay home until you are feeling well.  
Use safety precaution as you feel necessary for your comfort.*

## Grottoes UMC – Church App for Mobile Devices



Stay Connected with Grottoes Even when you are away!  
Watch our streaming worship services (Live or Later!)

- Calendars
- Receive messages
- Give online
- Devotionals and Bible readings
- Listen to Wesley One Radio
- And more!

### Available to Download Now!

Google Play Store - Apple App Store - Amazon App Store  
Watch Media on Apple TV (Grottoes UMC) - Roku (Grottoes UMC)

## 2022 Annual Budget Goals:

**Total needed for 2022 Annual Budget: \$120, 871.00**

**As of 11/13/2022:**

-16.44% behind on annual budget (\$17,757)

**Weekly Goal 11/20/2022: \$1,168.00 (.97% of Budget)**

**Amount needed to meet annual Goal 100% year to date:**

**\$1,168 + \$17,757 = \$18,925.00**





# Prayer LIST

**Names on Prayer list are removed after two weeks unless requested otherwise.**

Mary Patterson  
Catherine Steger  
Darlene Dale  
Samantha Chanita  
Bonnie Sierra  
Candance May  
Lincoln May  
Mel Wiseman  
Debbie Drumand  
Those sick COVID or other  
War in Ukraine  
Peace -37 active wars in the world  
U.M.C./Global M.C. church split

## PRAYER CHAIN

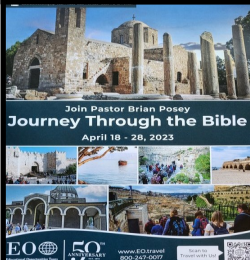
Call the Church office if you would like to be added or to add someone to the prayer chain  
Church Office (540) 249-4239



Kelley Hambleton 11/25  
Melanie Wiseman 11/27  
Marlene Steele 11/27  
Joe Leeth 11/30



**Sonny & Judy Campbell 11/21**



Have you ever wanted walk where Jesus walked  
Or see where it actually took place in the Bible?  
Pastor Brian is hosting a trip to Israel (The Holy Land)  
April 18-28, 2023  
Ask about a brochure and information

### this WEEK at a GLANCE

**Sunday 11/20/2022:** Sunday School – 9:00a.m.  
Worship Service – 10:00a.m.

**Monday 11/21/2022:** Knitting Group - 1:30p.m.  
ERMA Food Pantry – 7:00p.m.

**Thursday 11/24/2022:** HAPPY THANKSGIVING DAY!

**Next Sunday! November 27, 2022**  
Volunteer Rotations

**Tellers:**  
Virginia  
&  
Joe

**Nursery:**  
KAY  
&  
Reagan

**Worship Audio/Visual:**  
Kara

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.  
"Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth."  
The LORD of hosts is with us;  
The God of Jacob is our refuge.

**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.

**1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Lesson:** Colossians 1:11-20

**2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Lesson:** Luke 23:33-43

**Prayer of Illumination:**

**Message:** *How is Christ Reigning in your Life?*

**Prayer of Confession:**

Forgiving God, how many times we have spoken words of commitment and faith and then turned our backs on these commitments to follow the temptations of the world. We wander after the false prophets of greed, selfishness, arrogance, ignorance, hatred, stubbornness, and then shout our displeasure at how we are being treated. We want you to come in and clean up all our messes, excusing us from any responsibility for them. Forgive us for such foolishness. Help us remember the power of your healing love, which has been given for us. Forgive us when we think we know everything and then discover that we have behaved and thought in ignorant ways. Teach us to listen and to place our trust in your abiding power. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

**Pardon:**

**Tithes & Offering:**

**Offertory Prayer:**

**Doxology:**

**Song:** "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

**Dismissal with Blessing:**

## E.R.M.A. Food Pantry Monthly Item for October



## Cake Mix/ Frosting

ERMA Food Pantry is opened the 1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month at 6:30pm  
(Except Holidays)

## E.R.M.A. Food Pantry



### We are in need of Volunteers!

### For Monday Evening Food Distribution Weekly removal of Cardboard Boxes

Information about Volunteer Opportunities  
please contact Nancy Layne (540) 249-5893

## GUMC Ongoing Mission Collections:

We collect gently used clothing items  
to help support the Valley Mission  
Donated clothing can be dropped off in the right side  
closet in the education building by the entrance door.



**valley** + **mission**  
shelter support hope

# Sunday School

Sunday School Classes meet at 8:45a.m.

### Open Doors Sunday School Class

Meets in the room to the Right Side Room off of the Sanctuary

### Explorers Sunday School Class

Meets in the Left Side Room off of the Sanctuary

### Deep Blue Children's Ministry

Children 2nd—5th Grades  
Meets Thursday Evening 5:30-7:00

Deep Blue will begin their Summer Break May 31st



### Deeper Blue Girls Youth

Middle School aged girls Youth  
Meets Tuesday Evenings 4:30-5:30p.m.  
Seeks ways to know Jesus Better and to engage in  
service Christ and Neighbors using their talents,  
compassion, and love.

On Summer Break beginning May 31st



We Have Returned to Meeting In-Person  
Every Monday at 1:30p.m – 3:30p.m.  
Come and Join us!