

Grottoes United Methodist Church
Pastor – Brian Posey
May 1, 2022
3rd Sunday of Easter

Gathering:

Welcome:

Announcements:

Call to Worship:

Lord, we come before you in joy,
clothed in the majesty of your glory.

We come to sing your praises.

Like the myriad faithful of old,
we proclaim the Lamb to be worthy
of blessing, honor, and glory.

We fall down before you in worship. Amen!

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" Pg. 64 UMH

Opening Prayer:

Compassionate, glorious God, you hear our cries, and our pleas for help. We may enter the dark of night with weeping, but we wake in the morning with joy, for you hear our petitions and come in our hour of need. As we gather here in the name of your Son, be with us we pray, that we may know the dawn of your mercy, and the sweet taste of your favor.

Psalm Reading: Psalm 30 Pg. 762 UMH

Joys & Concerns:

Pastoral Prayer:

Children's Moment:

1st Scripture Lesson: Revelation 5:11-14

2nd Scripture Lesson: Acts 9:1-20

Message: "We Are No Longer Blind!" Rev. Brian Posey

Service of Holy Communion:

Invitation to the Lord's Table:

As we come to the table of God's heavenly feast, let us prepare our hearts anew to be in communion with one another and with the risen Christ.



Sunday 5/1/2022: Sunday School – 9:00a.m. (Open Doors & Explorer's Classes)
Worship Service – 10:00a.m.

Monday 5/2/2022: Knitting Group - 1:30p.m.
Administrative Council Meeting – 6:30p.m.
ERMA Food Pantry – 7:00p.m.

Tuesday 5/3/2022: Deeper Blue Girls – 4:30-5:30p.m.

Thursday 5/5/2022: Deep Blue - 5:30-7:00p.m.

Grottoes UMC - Church App for Mobile Devices

Available to Download Now!

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



- Stay Connected Even when you're on the go!
- Stay Up to date with the church calendar
 - Get devotionals
- Stay connected with church Social Media
- Submit prayer requests, baptismal requests, and inquire about New membership,
- connect as a volunteer or to a small group
 - Watch the live stream
- Listen to WesleyOne Radio Ministry
 - Bible Reading Plan
 - Online Giving
- Join a GUMC chat group

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



Bishop's Bible in Challenge



Pick up your Bible reading
Guide for the month in the
Narthex!



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 worshippers 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.*

Did you know Grottoes UMC now has a Radio Station?

WesleyOne

You can now listen at your convenience at www.wesleyone.faith
or

Download the "WesleyOne Radio" App on your smartphones
(Available in the Apple App store and Google Play store)

LIVESTREAM WORSHIP



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

2022 Annual Budget Goals:

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

As of 4/24/2022: -24.66% behind on annual budget

Weekly Goal 5/1/2022: \$2,204.00 (1.8% of annual budget)

Amount needed to catch up on annual Goal:

\$8,887.00 + \$2,204.00 = **\$11,091.00**



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

Next Sunday! **May 8, 2022**
Volunteer Rotations

Tellers:
Bonnie
&
Marlene

Nursery:
No nursery
Scheduled

**Worship
Audio/Visual:**
Brad

Prayer LIST

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

Mary Patterson
Catherine Steger
Brad's grandmother
Melanie's Mother
Darlene - health
GUMC Leadership
Ukraine
Peace in the world
The UMC Church

Hygiene Kits



It's that time of Year Again!

Kits For Conference!

Our goal this year is to assemble **50 Hygiene Kits**. Pull a tag from the display in the sanctuary for the items you would like to donate. All items need to be returned by: **Sunday, May 29th**



Donna Kyger 5/5
Bailey Nolen 5/9
Mary Patterson 5/11
Hayden Frye 5/13
Kara Posey 5/15
Dennis Farnback 5/20
Alexis Teter 5/24

SUPPORT THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

GIVE NOW

100% of all Advance contributions go to the designated cause



You can write a check to:
Grottoes UMC
Memo Line:
UMCOR ADVANCE# 985024

When giving Cash:
Please use an offering envelope to designate your cash offering
UMCOR ADVANCE #985024

You can give online:
Through the Grottoes UMC
Mobile App
Or on our online giving page
www.grottoesumc.org



Tim & Mandy Leeth - 5/15
Robert & Melanie Wiseman - 5/18
Rob & Joan Fahrney - 5/28

The Deep Blue Children & Deeper Blue Girls are collecting coins through May, for Shriner's Hospitals. A small collection bucket is on the communion rail.

We come, ready to partake of bread and cup; ready to commune with one another and with the living God.

Prayer of Confession:

God of Forgiveness, hear now the confession of our sins.

Our greed and our lust for power create enemies where we should find friends.

We fail to offer comfort and aid to those who are afraid and beat down by the burdens of life.

We are as blind and willful as Saul to the pain and the destruction of our wrongdoings and our well-meaning crusades.

Forgive us, merciful One. Give us sight to see with your eyes, that we may bring hope peace to our world.

Amen.

Words of assurance:

Passing the Peace of Christ:

Tithes & Offering:

Prayer of thanksgiving:

Doxology:

The Great Thanksgiving:

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.

Receiving God's Grace:

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

Gracious God, we give thanks that through Christ, we live in your favor.

We give thanks that through Christ, we come to the table of grace partaking heavenly food and the gift of salvation.

Like the great company of witnesses who came to this table before us, we are filled with gratitude and joy for your many blessings.

We come before you in praise and thanksgiving, as we commit ourselves again as members of the living body of Christ.

Song:

"Trading My Sorrows"

Dismissal with Blessing:

E.R.M.A. Food Pantry Monthly Item for May



Sugar

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

E.R.M.A. Food Pantry



We are in need of Volunteers!

- To Pick up from Food Lion on Fridays (Meats)

The tasks would include lifting boxes of food & transporting to GUMC.
For more 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.



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



A Weekly Adventure Through the Bible

Deep Blue Children's Ministry

Children 2nd—5th Grades
Meets Thursday Evening 5:30-7:00
Limited Space due to COVID 19 safe practices
Contact the Church Office for available Spaces



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.



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