

Grottoes United Methodist Church
Pastor – Brian Posey
November 27, 2022
1st Sunday of Advent - "Come Lord Jesus"

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

The time is coming when the Lord shall pour his most special blessing on the earth.

We want to be ready for that time. What should we do?

Be vigilant. Keep your hearts, minds, and spirits open to God's word.

Help us, O Lord, to be aware of all of your blessings.

Come, let us celebrate God's love for us.

Make our hearts ready to receive your Gift of Love, O Lord. AMEN.

Opening Hymn: Battle Hymn of the Republic (Vss. 1,3,5) Pg.# 717

Opening Prayer:

O Lord, our lives are so filled with chaos and tribulation. Help us be ready to receive your message and gift of love, that we might grow into faithful disciples, serving you by serving others with hope and compassion. In Christ's Name, we pray. AMEN

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

See Overhead

Lighting the Advent Candle:

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.

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 4th**



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

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| Pop Tarts | Canned Meats | Candy |
| Cookies | Cheese Crackers | Peanut Butter Crackers |
| Soups | Bags of Chips | Bags Cheese Curls |
| Bags of Nacho Chips | | Little Debbie snack |
| cakes | Stove top Popcorn | Bags of Popcorn |
| Cans of Pork and beans | | Cans of Spaghetti-Os |

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?

WesleyOne

You can now listen at your convenience at 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.*



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Watch Media on Apple TV (Grottoes UMC) - Roku (Grottoes UMC)

Grottoes UMC – Church App for Mobile Devices

2022 Annual Budget Goals:

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

As of 11/20/2022:

-16.47% behind on annual budget (\$17,986)

Weekly Goal 11/27/2022: \$2,175.0 (1.80% of Budget)

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

\$2,175 + \$17,986 = \$20,161.00



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



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



Melanie Wiseman 11/27
Marlene Steele 11/27
Joe Leeth 11/30

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

Tellers:
Virginia & Joe

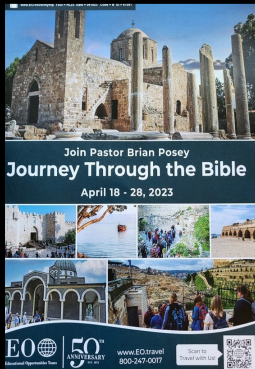
Nursery:
KAY & Reagan

Worship Audio/Visual:
Kara



Sunday 11/28/2022: Sunday School – 9:00a.m.
Worship Service – 10:00a.m.
Monday 11/29/2022: Knitting Group - 1:30p.m.
ERMA Food Pantry – 7:00p.m.

- Last Administrative Council Meeting December 5th
- NEW SAS Board Training December 12, 6:30p.m.



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

Hanging of the Greens Service:

Introduction:

How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the King?

With branches of cedar, the tree of royalty.

How shall we prepare this house for the coming of the eternal Chris?

With garlands of pine and fir, whose leaves are ever living, ever-green.

How shall we prepare this house for the coming of our Savior?

With wreaths of holly and ivy, telling of his passion, death, and resurrection.

How shall we prepare our hearts for the coming of the Son of God?

By hearing again the words of the prophets, who foretold the saving work of God.

For God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him, might be saved.

Glory to God in the Highest!

Message:

I. God will send a Righteous King: - Jeremiah 23:5-6

Song: People Look East Pg. #202

II. The prophet Declares a Child will be born: - Isiah 9:2, 6-7

Song: O Come, O Come Emmanuel (VS. 5,6,7) Pg. #211

III. The Fourth Servant Song: - Isaiah 53:1-6

Song: Hail to the Lord's Anointed Pg. #203

IV. The Mystery of the Incarnation: John 1:1-5, 9-14

The Blessing of the Chrismon Tree:

Song: I Want to walk as a child of the Light (Vs. 1,2,3) Pg. #206

Prayer of Confession:

See Overhead

Words of Assurance:

Tithes & Offering:

Offertory Prayer:

Doxology:

Song: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus Pg. #196

Dismissal with Blessing:

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



Hot Chocolate

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!

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.



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!