

Grottoes United Methodist Church  
Pastor – Brian Posey  
May 15, 2022  
5th Sunday of Easter

**Gathering:**

**Welcome:**

**Announcements:**

**Call to Worship:**

Praise the Lord!

**Praise the Lord from the heavens. Praise God from the heights!**

Praise the Lord, you angels. Sing praise, you heavenly host!

**Praise the Lord, O sun and moon. Join in song, O shining stars!**

Praise the Lord, snow and rain. Blow loud, wind and storm!

**Praise the Lord, O trees. Dance with joy, O birds!**

Praise the Lord, women and men. Rejoice, children and rulers!

**Praise the Lord, weak and strong. Sing for joy, timid and bold!**

Praise the Lord, mothers and aunts. Give praise, grandfathers and cousins!

**Let all creation praise God's name! Praise the Lord!**

**Song:** "Here I Am To Worship"

**Opening Prayer:**

Gracious and Loving God, we are grateful that you have called us together this day, drawing us from darkness to the glory of your light. May our spirits rejoice at the good news you have for us today. Open our hearts to your healing love, for we ask this in Christ's Name. AMEN.

**Psalm Reading:** Psalm 148

**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.**

## this WEEK at a GLANCE

**Sunday 5/15/2022:** Sunday School – 9:00a.m. (Open Doors & Explorer's Classes)  
Worship Service – 10:00a.m.

**Monday 5/16/2022:** Knitting Group - 1:30p.m.  
ERMA Food Pantry – 7:00p.m.

**Tuesday 5/17/2022:** Deeper Blue Girls – 4:30-5:30p.m.

**Thursday 5/19/2022:** 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

## Building Fund

We are Replacing the Church Roof!

### Project Scope:

\*Remove old Chimney \*Replace Vinyl Siding on the side of the church where chimney was. \*Remove 50+ year old shingles, replace any water damaged wood on roof. \*In stall ridge vents in the roof for ventilation, install new shingles.

The cost of the entire project is about **\$16,500.00**

You can help contribute to the project by making donations to the "GUMC Building Fund"  
You can donation online:  
<https://grottoesumc.org/give>

Or by check with "Building Fund" in the memo Line to:  
**GUMC, P.O. Box 5, Grottoes, VA 24441**

# 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](http://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 5/8/2022:**

**Received: \$2,530.00**

**Currently: -21.44 behind on annual budget (\$8,846.00)**

**Weekly Goal 5/15/2022: \$1,212 or 1.00% of Annual Budget**

**Amount needed to catch up on annual Goal:**

**\$8,846 + \$1,212 = \$10,058.00**



# 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 22, 2022**  
Volunteer Rotations

Tellers:  
Bonnie  
&  
Brad

Nursery:  
Debbie

Worship  
Audio/Visual:  
Kara

## Prayer LIST

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

Mary Patterson  
Catherine Steger  
Brad's grandmother  
Couch/Wiseman/Frye families  
Darlene  
Madison P.  
Samantha  
A.J./ Chanita Wedding/marriage  
Candace - pregnancy  
GUMC Leadership  
War in Ukraine  
Ukrainian refugees to begin arriving  
Peace in the world  
U.M.C./Global M.C. church split  
Recipients of GUMC Prayer Shaws



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



Kara Posey 5/15  
Dennis Farnback 5/20  
Alexis Teter 5/24

**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.**

**Children's Moment:**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Lesson:**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture Lesson:**  
**Prayer of Illumination:**

Revelation 21:1-6  
Acts 11:1-18

**Message:** "Who are We to Hinder God?"

**Prayer of Confession:**

God of all people, our hearts are too narrow, our perspectives are too small. We reject those who are not like us— those with different political opinions, those who struggle with mental illness, those who disagree with us. We forget that all are your beloved children, and neglect your call to love one another. Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we have failed to be a people known by our love. Show us how to be more caring. Teach us how to love one another, and make us faithful disciples. Amen.

**Words of assurance:**

God dwells among us, giving to all who believe the repentance that leads to life. Rejoice in the Lord, for we are a forgiven people.  
Praise the Lord for the mercy and forgiveness granted to us by grace alone. Amen.

**Tithes & Offering:**  
**Offertory Prayer:**  
**Doxology:**

**Song:** "Lord You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

**Dismissal with Blessing:**

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



We are in need of Volunteers!

For Monday Evening Food Distribution

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

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



### Sugar

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

## 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**

## SUPPORT THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE



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](http://www.grottoesumc.org)

## 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

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.



# Knitting Circle

We Have Returned to Meeting In-Person

Every Monday at 1:30p.m – 3:30p.m.

Come and Join us!