

Grottoes United Methodist Church
Pastor – Brian Posey
March 27, 2022
4th Sunday of Lent

Gathering:

Welcome:

Announcements:

Call to Worship:

Grace and peace to you from the One who is, who always was, and who is still to come—

The Alpha and Omega—the beginning and the end.

This is our God—the One who loves us, and who gave himself for us;

Who gathers us together in this place, and bids us seek his face.

Let's worship God together!

Song: "Humble Thyself"

Opening Prayer:

Lord of the church, you call a broken people around your table: in times of disagreement teach us to listen, loose us from prejudice and bind us to your way of forgiving grace; through Jesus Christ, who stands at the heart of our gathering. Amen.

Psalm Reading: Psalm 65:1-13

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed,

O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. **Happy are those whom you choose and bring near to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, your holy temple.**

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

By your strength you established the mountains; you are girded with might.

You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.

Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

Grottoes UMC Church App for Mobile Devices

Stay Connected

Even when you're on the go!
with church Social Media
As a volunteer or to a small group
Watch the live stream
Listen to WesleyOne Radio Ministry

Stay Up to date

with the church calendar
Bible reading plans
devotionals

Communicate

Your prayer requests,
baptismal requests,
Questions & inquiries

Online Giving



Grottoes United Methodist Church

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this
WEEK
at a
GLANCE

Sunday 3/27/2022: Sunday School – 9:00a.m. (Open Doors & Explorer's Classes)

Worship Service – 10:00a.m.

SAS Study Team – 11:30 – 12:30

Monday 3/28/2022: Knitting Group - 1:30p.m.

ERMA Food Pantry – 6:30p.m.

Tuesday 3/29/2022: Deeper Blue Girls – 4:30-5:30p.m.

Wednesday 3/30/2022: Prayer Service for Ukraine and World Peace – 7:00p.m.

Thursday 3/24/2022: Deep Blue - 5:30-7:00p.m.

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"

Bishop's Bible in Challenge



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

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



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 3/6/2022: -18.28% behind on our annual goal.
Our weekly Goal 3/20/22: \$1,629.00 We received \$2,346.00
This Week's goal (3/27/22): \$2,102.00
Amount needed to catch up on annual Goal:
\$4,279 + \$2,102 = \$6,381



You can share your tithes and offering
through Online Giving!

With Subsplash Giving you can:

- Set up Automatic Recurring Giving on your schedule.
- Give a one time gift

Go to www.grottoesumc.org scroll down to find the
online giving form for Subsplash Giving
Please call the office if you have any questions
navigating the new service.

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

Prayer LIST

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

Mary Patterson
Catherine Steger
Alva May
Brad's grandmother
Dreama Bennet & Family
Robert Wiseman
Hensley Family
Todd Salyer
Justin - Shingles
Refugees in Harrisonburg
Ukraine
Peace in the world



Deeper Blue Girls
Will be delivering
homemade carnation
Flowers to:
Brookdale Nursing Home
3/29/2022

And
Bellaire Nursing Home
4/5/2022

Next Sunday! **April 3, 2022**
Volunteer Rotations

Tellers:

Virginia
&
Gloria

Nursery:

No Nursery

Worship
Audio/Visual:

Chris



Reagan Nolen 3/31



Collection for Open Doors Shelter

- Men & Women's Socks
(Not Dress Socks)
- Men & Women's Under-ware
(Adult sizes only)

Sunday

March 27, 2022

The Deep Blue & Deeper Blue Girls Youth
Will add these to our donations to Open
Doors Thermal Shelter in Harrisonburg.

**The Deep Blue Children & Deeper Blue
Girls are collecting coins through May, for
Shriner's Hospitals. A small collection
bucket is in the narthex if you would like
to contribute. Coin boxes are also**

You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it.

You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

The pastures of the wilderness overflow, the hills gird themselves with joy, the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy.

1st Scripture Lesson: 1 John 1:6-10

2nd Scripture Lesson: Matthew 18:18-35

Children's Moment:

Message: "Moving Forward; a Day of Forgiveness"

Prayer of Confession:

O Lord we seek your mercy...

Yet we ourselves look for payback when we are wronged. We think it "only fair" and "what is right" when we retaliate and use harsh words and withdraw from relationship. The forgiveness you offer on our account is larger than we can comprehend, still we withhold forgiveness and carry the grudge over petty items. We are eager to do your judging. And the worst: we conspire our inner thoughts to secure your forgiveness while avoiding honest repentance. Forgive us Lord for the sins we know in our hearts. Save us Lord from the sins we hide.

Words of assurance:

Joys and 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.

Offering:

Doxology:

Affirming our Faith:

Song:

"Grace Greater than Our Sin"

Dismissal with Blessing:

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



Dish Detergent

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 food from Food Lion on Saturdays, (Pastries & Bread)
 - To pick up food from Food Lion Sundays, (Pastries)
- To pick up food from Food Lion Mondays (pastries & Bread)
 - 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

Deep Blue Children's Ministry



A Weekly Adventure Through the Bible

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!