

## WE GATHER TO PRAISE & WORSHIP

**Introit** John Gibson

**Welcome & Ringing of the Bell** Ben Kanten

### **\*Call to Worship**

With great rejoicing, we enter the house of the Lord!

**We come to praise the One who is our refuge and our strength.**

Lift up your eyes, for God comes to us with compassion and love.

**We bring our burdened and broken spirits, seeking God's presence and healing.**

Rejoice! For the God who created you comes to redeem you and make you whole.

**We joyfully celebrate the Living God, who embraces us with mercy and calls us to new life.**

### **\*Passing of the Peace**

**\*Hymn** *God of Grace and God of Glory* UMH  
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**\*Affirmation of Faith** Ben Kanten  
*On Screen, read in community.*

## **Sharing Our Joys and Concerns**

Ben Kanten

### **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.

### **Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

#### **Special Music**

Seek Ye First

\*Doxology

UMH 95

### **Scripture Reading**

John 8:2-11

#### **Sermon**

*"The Unforgiven"*

Fritzi

Simon

### **\*Closing Hymn**

*They'll Know We Are Christians* FWS

2223

### **\*Benediction**

**We have reflected on our own weaknesses and on the frailty of others. Jesus says 'Go and sin no more'**

**So we go, no longer accusing ourselves of sins that have been forgiven nor condemning others for the sins that God has forgiven them.**

**As receivers of God's grace, we ask for help to be grace-givers in the week ahead. In the name of Christ. Amen.**

### **\*Postlude**

John Gibson

***\*Stand as you are able.***

## OUR PRAYERS:

At Elgin First UMC we believe in the power of Prayer, and Prayer is a practice we encourage. Please fill out a prayer card and give it to an usher. Private prayers can be folded and the pastor will carry them himself.

## OUR SERVICE:

Ministers .....Every Member of the  
Congregation

Pastor.....JD Herrera

Musician.....John Gibson

### Announcements

- Huge Thank you to Lay Leaders – Fritzi Simon and Ben Kanten for leading worship and preaching today!
- Communion first Sunday of each Month
- Monthly Workday – May15th! Third Thursday of each month, 10am or 5pm
- SPRC Meeting Sunday May 12<sup>th</sup>
- Leadership Meeting – Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup> after worship
- Join our newsletter for news and dates about our 150<sup>th</sup> celebration events throughout the Summer and Fall
- **BTW Supply Collection!** We'll have a box in the fellowship hall. We're asking for pencils, highlighters, markers, and notebook paper.
- Volunteers needed to run Sound Board – Easy training and you get extra credit with God!

**Join us for worship every Sunday @ 11:00AM**  
**Adult Sunday School & Coffee Hour@ 10:00AM**  
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