

Kernstown UMC Purpose Statement:  
"Strives to welcome ALL into a loving church family  
that glorifies God through worship, nurture, and outreach to our neighbors."

Calendar

<u>Sunday, Aug. 17</u> , 10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 10:30 Worship Picnic & Ice Cream Social <i>Booth: Danny Aube</i> <i>Greeters: Judy Allen; Dennis O'Neal</i> <i>Children: Lisa Dawson &amp; Karen Wells</i> <i>Counters: Roy Walker &amp; Brian Henshaw</i> <i>Upcoming: Church Picnic, Sunday, Aug. 17</i> <u>Tuesday, August 19</u> 10:30 Freedge Ministry 11-2:00 Music Dir. office hours <i>12-4 Bridge fh</i>	<u>Wednesday, August 20</u> <i>TOPS 5:30</i> 11:00 Prayer Group ( <b>All are welcome</b> ) <i>fh</i> <u>Thursday, August 21</u> <i>TOPS 8:30</i> <u>Friday, August 22</u> <i>11-3 Bridge fh</i> <u>Sunday, Aug. 24</u> , 11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 Coffee Time 10:30 Worship <i>Booth: Sam Henshaw</i> <i>Greeters: Lorraine Shelton &amp; Cathy Lichvar</i> <i>Children: Carolyn Carney &amp; Sherry Ford</i> <i>Counters: Roger Hill &amp; Lorraine Shelton</i>
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**Scriptures:** Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19;; Luke 12:49-56  
**Wednesday Morning Prayer & Care Group** - At 11:00 AM, every Wednesday morning, the congregation is invited to meet with the pastor for a time of praying for the concerns of the church. Join us during this journey each week.  
*Be faithful in prayer-Philippians 4:6-7: Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*  
**Pew Prayers:** Jean Snider; Barbara Cooper; Zach; Nick; Shelby; Brady McKay & family; Brandon McMIndes; ; Wendy; Lee; Dan; safe travels for Laney; college students; spiritual life/connection to God; Doug Seabright (*upcoming surgery*); Tina; Danny Morris; Lois Dugren; Mary Jones; Barbara Smith; Susie Harper; Herb Rubio; Nancy Hill; travel mercies Lantz family; Jean Snider; Landon; Jane McAllister family; Barbara Funkhouser; Wes; Winnie Rinker; John Rinker; peace/love for our country; Michael Cheladyn; Vicky Johnson; Magdalene Corbin; Simone Poulin; Genevieve Behnke; Gene Fishel; Carolyn Barr; Jimmy Horton; David Russell; Woody Ford; Sharon Law; Delores Willimas; Bob Burris; Mark Wells; Brenda Hess; Russ Conklin; Lara Conklin; Tim Hall; Sandy Dunkle; Epstein family; Jeter family; Kristi Epstein; June & Nate W.; Maureen C.; Dusti; immigrants; our country; missing & indigenous women; Sare; Stori; Sarah & Amanda; our president; family; our pastors; our lay leaders; Jim Barker; Ellen Neff; Mike Brownlee; Bolingers; Trammels; Gales; Bruce & Hilda; Ralph & Dee; Walkers; our military; Darlene Shull; Lois Smith; Bonnie & Denny Lee; Polly; Kelly & Alida O'Neal; Leroy Lamarr; Dennis Tusing; unspoken requests; all prayers given; Hadleigh, Thornley & family; LSCS Tiffany McMahon; Mary Kathryn Clark; Shirley Dick; Marilyn Stelzl; McKenna Newcome & family; Jane Thomas; Nellie Snoots; Rev. Clay & Lisa Knick; Pastor Aaron Fitch; Helen & Russ Fitch; Nelda & Charles Harless; Bob, Lorraine & Norma Wilson; Dawna Wilson; Tina & Shane Weagley; Ed Marshall; Amy, Frank & boys Haines; Sharon & George Teets; our world; the hungry; homeless; lonely; grieving; Jason Ritchie (*Tammy Corey's brother*); Aimee Lorusso; Barbara Bledsoe; Carole Ay



Please know that ALL children are **ALWAYS welcome** to attend our entire church service in the sanctuary. We offer a children's moment in the sanctuary with the pastor and an optional short **Children's Church** program during Sunday worship.

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost August 17, 2025, 10:30 a.m.



**Kernstown United Methodist Church**  
**Rev. Dr. Victor Gómez**  
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*\* All who are able, please stand; bold print - all respond*

Prelude *(Prepare your hearts for worship)* David Landrum  
Ringing of the Bell  
Greeting Lay Leader, Ric Dunkle  
**\*Opening Hymn** *I've Got Peace Like a River* TFWS 2145  
Lighting of Altar Candles  
**\*Call to Worship** Rev. Dr. Gómez

Children of God, for the sake of the joy, we gather...  
**We gather to worship, to encounter grace, to grow in faith.**  
For the sake of the joy, we proclaim...  
**We proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, the love of God that surrounds us and forms us into a community marked by love for God, self, neighbor, and all creation.**  
For the sake of the joy, we respond...  
**We respond with our lives, ready to embody our faith as agents of God's already-and-not-yet kingdom.**  
For the sake of the joy, God sends us...  
**God sends us into the world to meet our neighbors with the defiant joy and persevering love of the Gospel today and every day.**  
Come, let us worship the Triune God Who dwells with us as we gather, proclaim, respond, and go forth from this place.  
**Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, February 2024.*

Scripture Lesson Hebrews 11:29-12:2 Kelly Henshaw  
Response to the Word *It Matters to the Master* Lorraine Shelton  
Offering *Shine, Jesus, Shine*  
*Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire; flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy, send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light. Lord, the light of Your love is shining in the midst of the darkness shining; Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us, set us free by the truth You now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me.*

Offertory Prayer Rev. Dr. Gómez  
Reception of New Member Rev. Dr. Gómez

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

Prayers of the People Rev. Dr. Gómez  
Congregational Prayer Rev. Dr. Gómez

**Glorious God, we thank You for the cloud of witnesses, the multitude of the faithful of all ages, who surround us. Considering their example, and looking to Jesus, may we run the race of life faithfully. Encourage us, that we may not grow weary or fainthearted. Help us accept Your gentle discipline, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Written by Ruth C. Duck, Flames of the Spirit: Resources for Worship, ed. Ruth C. Duck (Eugene: Wipf & Stock, 2009), 50.*

Children’s Time Rev. Dr. Gómez  
\*Hymn *It Is Well with My Soul* UMH 377  
Gospel Lesson Luke 12:49-56 Rev. Dr. Gómez  
Sermon *You Call that Peace?* Rev. Dr. Gómez

Invitation to Holy Communion

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Lord’s Supper  
Ministry Opportunities  
\*Hymn *Let There Be Peace on Earth* UMH 431  
\*The Benediction Rev. Dr. Gómez

\*Choral Benediction *Precious Name*  
***Take the name of Jesus with you, child of sorrow and of woe; it will joy and comfort give you; take it then, where’er you go. Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of Earth and joy of heaven. Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of Earth and joy of heaven.***

Postlude (Rejoice in the music of the Lord) David Landrum  
CCLI # 11408803

**Welcome:** This morning, we welcome Elizabeth Reed into membership of Kernstown UMC.  
Please make a point to greet her this morning.

Announcements

**Who's Who in The Pew** - Member Attendance, Prayer Requests & Visitor Info - Please fill out the card located in the pews and place it in the basket during the offering. Include your name and any prayer requests or concerns for our church leaders. If you are a visitor, Welcome, feel free to include your contact info and any requests.

**New Pastor** - Request a meeting or visit – If you would like to have a meeting at the church or a visit from the pastor, please let him know. You can reach Pastor Victor at 540-662-2432 or email him at pastor@kernstownumc.org; or you can call the church office 540-667-7298. Note, these are both land lines and they cannot receive texts.

**Nametags** - Please wear a nametag so that the pastor and others can learn our names.

**Care & Connect** - Join us today for the Church Picnic & Ice Cream Social after worship.

**Reach & Serve** - Freedge Ministry - Our Friendly Neighborhood Freedge is a community refrigerator that is open 24 hours a day for all to enjoy. On Tuesdays, our church picks up food from CCAP and delivers it to Montague Avenue. If you can spare about 45 minutes a week, please sign up for this ministry. This Tuesday is open, and there are plenty of spots in September. Also, if you have excess garden produce this summer, please drop it off at your nearest Freedge.

**Reach & Serve** – OCC- Due Dates for turning in Operation Christmas Child Items or Boxes:

- If you signed up to **donate items**: Due this Sunday, Aug 17.
- If you **took a box to fill**: Due Sept 21

Please contact Lisa Dawson if you have questions

**Educate & Equip** - Adult Encounter Sunday School Class - Join us on Sunday morning, Sept. 7 at 9:00 am as we begin a 12-week study of the Book of Philippians led by Rev. Steve Wells. We will meet in room 3 on the second floor of the Education wing. Our book is written by Dr. David Jeremiah, and he will lead us through the letter of Philippians in a chapter-by-chapter study that will help us understand Paul’s letter to the people at the time, and what it means to Christians today. The believers in Philippi were experiencing both concern for Paul while he was in prison and spiritual discouragement. Paul wrote this loving letter to encourage them in their faith and to remind them that there was a greater future in store for him and for them. Paul remained joyful in the midst of his sufferings, and he knew the same would be true of the Philippi believers as well. Books are on order. Please join us!

🎵 **Worship & Wonder** - Summer Music – Handbell and Choir practices return Wednesday, August 27 at 6 and 7 pm respectively. If you have a love of music in your heart, you are welcome to join us. If you have any questions, please reach out to David Landrum at davidlandrum17@gmail.

**Ways to Give** -Kernstown UMC appreciates all donations to further God’s Kingdom. There are several options available:

1. Place in offering basket during worship
2. Use QR Code to the right →
3. Give online at kernstownumc.org/give
4. Scheduled payments through your bank
5. Mail check to KUMC

