

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, August 3, 8th Sunday after Pentecost</u> 10-10:20 Coffee Time 10:30 Worship 11:30 Finance Meeting <i>Booth: Brian Henshaw</i> <i>Greeters: Charlie Donohoe & Betty Phillips</i> <i>Children: Cathy Richard & Glenda Gale</i> <i>Counters: Cathy Richard & Mary Anton</i>	<u>Thursday, August 7 TOPS 8:30</u> <u>Friday, August 8 11-3 Bridge fh</u> <u>Saturday, August 9 10 am New Clergy Orient.</u> <i>(for Pastor, SPPRC Chr. & Lay Leader at SU)</i> <u>Sunday, August 10, 9th Sunday after Pentecost</u> 10-10:20 Coffee Time 10:30 Worship 12 UWF Picnic at Spurrs <i>Booth: Dave Ford</i> <i>Greeters: Judy Chapman & Vicki Maphis</i> <i>Children: Cathy Lichvar & Lisa Dawson</i> <i>Counters: Lorraine Shelton & Gary Lantz</i> <i>Upcoming: Church Picnic, Sunday, Aug. 17</i> <i>Operation Christmas Child thru Aug. 17</i>
<u>Tuesday, August 5</u> 10:30 Freedge Ministry 11-2:00 Music Dir. office hours <i>12-4 Bridge fh</i>	
<u>Wednesday, August 6 TOPS 5:30</u> 11:00 Prayer Group (All are welcome) fh	

Scriptures: Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9, 43; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21

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: Steve & Cheryl Spurr; Sandy Keiter; Barbara Funkhouser; Pastor Herb; Maria Castro’s brother; Lee Folger; Annie; praise for marriage anniversary; unspoken; Danny Morris; Jane M.; neighbors; T.G. Ketterman; Vicky Johnson; Virginia Stanley; Beverly Lockhart; Richard Sanchez; Ida Mae; David Thompson; Greysin Baker; Krista Baker; Connie Parson; Russ & Avery Conklin; Kelly Babyok; Walter W.; June & Nate Windle; Ursula B.; Maureen C.; Sandy Dunkle; Epstein family; Jeter family; Kristi Epstein; Watterson family; Susan Stonestress; William Tessier, Sr.; Mary Walker; Arnold Fishel; Polly Look; Mark Wells; Brenda Hess; Vicki; Sage; Stori; safe travels; Caiti & Amy; Robbie; prayers answered; our president; Darlene Shull; Lois Smith; Bonnie & Denny Lee; Kelly & Alida O’Neal; Leroy Lamarr; Dennis Tusing; parents; our country; peace; all who suffer; depressed; Hadleigh, Austin Thornley & family; Marley Kelchner; 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 Haines & boys; Sharon & George Teets; our world; the hungry; homeless; lonely; grieving; Jason Ritchie (*Tammy Corey’s brother*); Aimee Lorusso; Jean Snider; Barbara Bledsoe; Carole Ay



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

8th Sunday after Pentecost August 3, 2025, 10:30 a.m.



Kernstown United Methodist Church
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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 Sanctuary TFWS 2164

Lighting of Altar Candles
*Call to Worship Rev. Dr. Gómez

Children of God, we gather as people who have received new life in Jesus Christ.
We come to set our minds on Christ, Who surrounds us in love.
The world tries to distract us with anxious rumors, worrisome lies, and misleading half-truths.
We come to set our minds on Christ, Who surrounds us in love.
In this place, we gather to remind, remember, and renew our commitment to dwell in the love of Christ.
We come to set our minds on Christ, Who surrounds us in love.
Children of God, come! Let us worship God, who clothes us in new life and renews us in grace.
Come, let us worship as we set our minds on Christ, Who surrounds us in love.
Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, February 2025.

Scripture Lesson Colossians 3:1-11 Kelly Henshaw
Response to the Word Draw Me Close Medley Cathy Lichvar
Offering He Has Made Me Glad
I will enter His gates with thanksgiving in my heart. I will enter His courts with praise. I will say this is the day that the Lord has made. I will rejoice for He has made me glad. He has made me glad. He has made me glad. I will rejoice for He has made me glad. He has made me glad. He has made me glad. I will rejoice for He has made me glad.
Prayers of the People Rev. Dr. Gómez

Congregational Prayer **Rev. Dr. Gómez**
God, our guide and our protector, as we gather today in Your holy house, open our minds and souls and hearts, that we may be inclined to hear the gentle direction of Your Spirit in our lives. Help us follow You as You lead us to the land You have created for us, where we may dwell with You and in You. Amen.

*Written by Robert Blezard on the Worship Elements page of the Ministry Matters website.
Re-posted on the re: Worship blog at <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/10/opening-prayer-psalm-107.html>.*

Children’s Time		Rev. Dr. Gómez
*Hymn	<i>They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love</i>	TFWS 2223
Gospel Lesson	Luke 12:13-21	Rev. Dr. Gómez
Sermon	<i>Loving God and Neighbor: The Love Never Stops Here</i>	Rev. Dr. Gómez

The Great Thanksgiving
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.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, creator of heaven and Earth. You formed us in Your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, Your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, and spoke to us through Your prophets, who looked for that day when justice shall roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream, when nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore. And so, with Your people on Earth and all the company of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and Earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are You, and blessed is Your Son Jesus Christ. Your Spirit anointed Him to preach good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, and to announce that the time had come when You would save Your people. He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners. By the baptism of His suffering, death, and resurrection, You gave birth to Your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. At His ascension, You exalted Him to sit and reign with You at Your right hand.

On the night in which He gave Himself up for us, He took bread, gave thanks to You, broke the bread, gave it to His disciples, and said: “Take, eat; this is My body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me.”
When the supper was over, He took the cup, gave thanks to You, gave it to His disciples, and said: “Drink from this, all of you; this is My blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

And so, in remembrance of these Your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out Your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by His blood. Renew our communion with Your Church throughout the world and strengthen it in every nation and among every people to witness faithfully in Your name. By Your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at His heavenly banquet. Through Your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in Your holy Church, all honor and glory is Yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord’s Supper
Ministry Opportunities

*Hymn	<i>The Servant Song</i>	TFWS 2222
*The Benediction		Rev. Dr. Gómez
*Choral Benediction	<i>Precious Name</i>	
	<i>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.</i>	

Postlude	(<i>Rejoice in the music of the Lord</i>)	David Landrum
	CCLI # 11408803	

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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.

UWF -United Women in Faith Picnic at Cheryl Spurr's home after church on Sunday, Aug. 10th