

## Calendar/People in Ministry

<p><u>Sunday, January 21</u>  <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after The Epiphany</b>  10:20 Worship  Reader: Cathy Lichvar; Greeters:  Loretta Lantz &amp; Audrey Dorton;  Counters: Gary Lantz &amp; Mary Anton</p>	<p><u>Thursday, Jan. 25</u>  8:30 TOPS; 1:00 Small Grp.  7:00 Church Council</p>
<p><u>Tuesday, January 23</u>  12-4 Bridge fh  10:00 Care &amp; Connect  7:00 Educate &amp; Equip</p>	<p><u>Friday, January 26</u>  9<sup>30</sup>-2<sup>30</sup> Bridge fh</p>
<p><u>Wednesday, January 24</u>  9-11<sup>30</sup> BSF upstr  11:00 Prayer &amp; Care fh  5<sup>30</sup> TOPS  6:00 Handbell Practice  7:00 Choir Practice</p>	<p><u>Sunday, January 28</u>  <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany</b>  9:00 New Encounter Class  10:20 Worship  Reader: Doris Miller  Greeters: Suzanne &amp; Dan Conklin  Counters: Roger Hill &amp; Kevin Mosser</p>

*Scriptures:* Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalms 62:5-12; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20

*Be faithful in prayer - Romans 12:12 NIV* **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 together each week. *Prayers:* Krista Baker; Simone Poulin; Donna; safe travels in weather; Judy Allen; Lloyd Henry family; Tom Chicca; Cheryl Spurr; my parents; Suzanne Conklin; Elizabeth & Tim Mitchell; Steve Wells; Mark Wells; Walker family; church family; Revelation class; Phil Shobe family; Freddie & Marie Cheshire; Russel & Helen Fitch; Chris Keeper; Dwight Miller; Katie Goldizen; Calvin; Bruce & Hilda; Ralph & Dee; the homeless; those who don't have enough heat to stay warm; Ellen Neff; Lisa Yowell; Lee Lichvar; Bree Helmick; Caleb & Jaeda; Emma; Joe; Jacob; Sarah; thanks for the beauty of falling snow and the music in the wind; Chris Guerra and his family; Middle East; Pastor Bill's grandkids; June & Nate; Dusti; Shirley; Katie; Sandy Keiter; Sandy Wilson; Tim Barnes, Ricci Troxel; family of Joe Patterson; Vera Kordella; Artz/Mclwee family; Mary Kathryn Clark; Mary Shetler; Marilyn Stelzl; Shirley Dick; Jane Thomas; Wilsons; Nelda & Charles Harless; Dawna Wilson; Tina & Shane Weagley; Rev. Clay & Lisa Knick; Nellie Snoots; Florence Roman; Adele Birnbaum; Sharon & George Teets; Simon & Vicky Newlin; Amy, Frank & boys; our world; Betty Murphy; Barbara Bledsoe, David Beach family; Karen Welsh; Mark Barney; Peter Kosolo; Pamela Martin



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.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after The Epiphany



10:20 a.m. Worship Service

January 21, 2024



**Rev. Gary Heaton**

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*\* All who are able, please stand; bold print - all respond*

Ringling of the Bell

Greeting /Announcements

Ric Dunkle

\*Opening Hymn **God Of Love and God of Power**

**UMH 578**

Lighting of Altar Candles

Sam Henshaw

Scripture Lesson **Jonah 3:1-5**

Cathy Lichvar

Response to the Word *Back to the Church in The Wildwood* Choir

Prayers of the People

Rev. Heaton

**Almighty and Everlasting God, what a blessing and privilege we share here in this sacred space and among this loving community. But, like Jonah, we sometimes are jealous of what we share here and uncertain about change. We believe that others are longing and thirsting for what we know and experience. Forgive us our reluctance to change and help us to open our doors and open our hearts to others who are not like us. Help us to anticipate the needs of newcomers who are seeking a life of faith. Allow us to witness to those we have considered strangers and foreigners in hope that they just might become friends. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

\*Hymn *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* **UMH 344**

Sermon "Fishing for Answers" Rev. Heaton  
Mark 1:14-20

Pastoral Pray and Lord's Prayer **UMH 895**

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 & Offering

Holy Conferencing

\*The Benediction Rev. Heaton

\*Choral Benediction *Grace, Love, and Fellowship*

**May the grace of Christ, our Savior, and the love of God, our Father, and the fellowship of the Spirit be with us.**

**May the grace of Christ, our Savior, and the love of God, our Father, and the fellowship of the Spirit be with us forever, and ever, forever more. Amen.**

Postlude David Landrum

(\*Please stand as able) CCLI # 11408803

This morning's service will include a time of **Holy Conferencing** where members of the congregation are asked to contribute information about their thoughts about church growth and hospitality. Please offer "Yes – No" answers to questions presented by the facilitators and any thoughts you have making disciples in the world today.

## Announcements

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

**Care & Connect** Work Area meet this Tuesday at 10:00.

**Educate & Equip** Work Area meet this Tuesday at 7:00 pm. New Encounter class starts next Sunday, January 28.

**Reach & Serve:** Box of Sox: Box in narthex for new, warm socks for men, women, and children at CCAP, collection runs thru Sun, Jan. 28. New Freedge on Montague Ave, sign up in narthex, 1-2 volunteers needed from KUMC every Tuesday for about a one hour a week to pick up food from local pantry and place in freedge. A total of 4-8 people needed to rotate on our schedule are needed, starting early February. More details in the newsletter. Help feed our homeless and needy.

**People in Ministry:** We need your help, please consider being a part of the Worship and Wonder Work Area by being a greeter or scripture reader on Sunday morning. Being a greeter is a great way to meet our church family and welcome visitors! There is a signup in the narthex for both. We are only signing up a few months at a time to give everyone an opportunity to participate. If you have questions, contact Bri Jackman.

**Come on Ring those Bells** - Can you count to four and move your wrist? Do you feel like you can't sing and can't be in the choir? Then the bell choir is the perfect group for you. Anybody who has ever been in the group will tell you what fun fellowship it is. Even if you have no experience with handbells or music, we would love to have you. We rehearse at 6 on Wednesday nights. If you have any questions, ask David Landrum. Let's ring praises to the Lord!

**Snow Update** - If we cancel worship due to weather, it will be posted on the Kernstown United Methodist Church Facebook page. We will attempt to post it on radio. If the parking lot and sidewalks are not clear on Sunday morning, worship will be cancelled.

