

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

Sunday, July 27, 7 th Sunday after Pentecost 10-10:20 Coffee Time 10:30 Worship Booth: Sam Henshaw Greeters: Danna Doyle & Judy Allen Children: Cathy Lichvar; Danna Doyle Counters: Gary Lantz & Lorraine Shelton	Wednesday, July 30 TOPS 5:30 11:00 Prayer Group (All are welcome) fh Thursday, July 31 TOPS 8:30 Friday, August 1 11-3 Bridge fh
Monday, July 28 7:00 Church Council	Sunday, August 3, 8 th Sunday after Pentecost 10-10:20 Coffee Time 10:30 Worship Finance Meeting after worship Booth: Brian Henshaw Greeters: Charlie Donohoe & Betty Phillips Children: Cathy Richard & Glenda Gale Counters: Cathy Richard & Mary Anton Upcoming: Church Picnic, Sunday, Aug. 17
Tuesday, July 29 10:30 Freedge Ministry 11-2:00 Music Dir. office hours 12-4 Bridge fh	

Scriptures: Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85; Colossians 2:6-15 (16-19); Luke 11:1-13

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.*

Prayers: Wendy Aube; Brenton Evans family; Ben Walker family; Glory to God; Zack; Madison; Nick; thanks for finding Caleb; Gene Fishel; Russ & Lara Conklin; Tom Duvall; Joyce Cline; Barbara Smith; Sandra Keiter; safe travels for JoAnne Carper & family; Mark Wells; Brenda Hess; Sarah; Sage; Nancy; Stori; Kathy; June & Nate; Maureen C.; Walter W.; Dusti; our country; flood victims; Sandy Dunkle; Kristi Epstein; Epstein family; Watterson family (*Sandy Dunkle's sister-in-law*); David Russell; Lee Folger; Gales; Moyers; Ellen Neff; Bollinger's; Alicia Palmer; thanks for rainbows, even when they don't show up; all God's children; Bill Heavner's family & Opequon Presbyterian Church congregation; William Tessler; Sylvia Crawford; Caiti & Amy; Ruth Eastep family; Danny Morris; my parents; thanks for prayers for Dee (*Jan Sweet's friend*); our president; Darlene Shull; Lois Smith; Bonnie & Denny Lee; Kelly & Alida O'Neal; Leroy Lamarr; Dennis Tusing; Brenda & Dale Evans; Addy Howard; NPR & PBS; Hadleigh, Austin Thornley & family; Marley Kelchner; LSCS Tiffany McMahon; Mary Kathryn Clark; Shirley Dick; Marilyn Stelzl; McKenna Newcome & family; Jane Thomas; Rev. Clay & Lisa Knick; Pastor Aaron Fitch; Helen & Russ Fitch; Nelda & Charles Harless; Bob, Lorraine & Norma Wilson; Dawna Wilson; Kenny Wilson; Nellie Snoots; 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; Praise for Cam Baker Rudolph (*new grandson Vicki Don Adams*)



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.

7th Sunday after Pentecost July 27, 2025, 10:30 a.m.



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

Prelude (Prepare your hearts for worship) David Landrum

Ring of the Bell

Greeting Lay Leader, Ric Dunkle

*Opening Hymn Jesus Saves Cokesbury 131

Lighting of Altar Candles

*Call to Worship Rev. Dr. Gómez

Children of God, when the journey ahead seems long and hard, full of unknown dangers and all-too-real risks, remember:

Keep the faith. God, Who made us alive, is our Guardian and Guide.

When the voices on the side of the road tempt us with their misinformation full of unearned certainty, simple solutions, and quickness to blame and shame those who disagree with them, remember:

Stay the course. God, Who made us alive, is our Wisdom and Judge.

When those in power place barriers in our way, making it harder to share the love of God in our communities, trying to convince us it is easier to do nothing than remain firm in God's call to act for the flourishing of all our neighbors, remember:

Do not be afraid. God, Who made us alive, is our Strength and our Advocate.

Children of God, come! Let us worship God, Whose persistent love empowers us to persevere, to stay the course, to live by faith and not fear.

Come, let us worship God, Who makes us alive, through grace to love and serve God and one another.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, February 2025.

Scripture LessonColossians 2:6-15Kelly Henshaw

Response to the WordCome Thou FountSam Henshaw

OfferingGive Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because He’s given Jesus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say, “I am strong”; let the poor say, “I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.” Give thanks.

Prayers of the PeopleRev. Dr. Gómez

Congregational PrayerRev. Dr. Gómez

God of endings and beginnings, we thank You for always starting anew with us. When we find ourselves at our wits’ end, at the end of our rope, at the end of our patience, or even at the end of our hope, You are there. You find us and bring us into Your new beginning, again and again. Amen.

Children’s TimeRev. Dr. Gómez

*HymnJust When I Need Him MostCokesbury 175

Gospel LessonLuke 11:1-13Rev. Dr. Gómez

SermonLoving God and Neighbor: Letting God Love YouRev. 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

*HymnSince Jesus Came Into my HeartCokesbury 84

*The BenedictionRev. Dr. Gómez

Choral BenedictionGrace, 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.

PostludeDavid Landrum

(Rejoice in the music of the Lord)


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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.

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

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.

 **Reach & Serve** is collecting supplies for Operation Christmas Child from July 6-August 17. Please sign up for items in the narthex; questions, see Lisa Dawson.

 **Worship & Wonder** - Summer Music – It’s that time of year when our music ensembles take a well-deserved break. They work so hard and I’m grateful for all they do and I know you are as well. This is also a time of transition for our church and I want to exemplify the gifts of our congregation to our new pastor as he begins his ministry with us. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex at the WW station with two more spots. If you have any questions, email me, David at dlandrum17@gmail.com.

 **Care & Connect** - Save the Date: Church Picnic & Ice Cream Social will be August 17 after worship. More details in the August newsletter. Any questions, see Doris Miller or give her a call.

Church Council new date, now Monday, July 28, at 7pm.
Finance Committee will meet on Sunday, August 3, after worship.
Newsletters will be mailed out this week.

Email Scam Alert: Make sure that the email address from Pastor or the Office is @kernstownumc.org. Do not respond to suspicious emails requesting gift cards from the Pastor with a different email address than pastor@kernstownumc.org. We will never solicit from email.

