

## Calendar - Week of January 18<sup>th</sup>

**Today:** 9 Encounter | 10 Coffee | 10:30 Worship | Fellowship Brunch

**Monday:** MLK Jr Day | Newsletter deadline

**Tuesday:** 10 C&C | 10<sup>30</sup> Freedg | 11 Music Dir hours | 11<sup>30</sup> Staff Mtg.  
12-4 Bridge fh

**Wednesday:** BSF 9<sup>30</sup> | 11 Prayer Group | 5 Bloxom Service | 5<sup>30</sup> TOPS  
6 Bells | 7 Choir

**Thursday:** TOPS 8:30 | 4 Church Council

**Friday:** 11-3 Bridge fh | Office Closed

**Sunday, Jan. 25, 2026:** 10 Coffee | 10:30 Worship

Leaders	Today	Next Week, 1/25
Booth	Steve Spurr	Dave Ford
Scripture	Brian Henshaw	Brian Henshaw
Greeters	Maria Castro & Carolyn Sibert	Arnold & Glenda Gale
Counters	Roy Walker & Brian Henshaw	Lorraine Shelton & Barbara Mallory

**Prayers:** Barbara; Charlie Donohoe; Connie Parsons; Kayden Baker; Simone Poulin; Hill's grandchildren; Tina Raia; Sandy Dunkle; Joe Shanholtz; Rev. Kristen Whitesides; Donna Chesnutt; Pat & Walt Radney; Robert & Carol Cook; Judy Harmon; Daniel Langager; Laura (Dan) Folger; Sage; Stori; Sarah; Amanda; George Kelman; Amy & Caitlin; Vicky Johnson; Michael Cheladyn; Debbie Triplett; peace; Sandy Keiter; Carolyn Barr; Lourdes Kloers; Mary Strosnider; Travis Hollar (*JoAnne Carper's nephew*); family of Renee Good; Patsy Dorsey; family of Gaynor Vann; Moe Mitchell; John; Jim Park; Nikole; Lindley; Linda D.; Debra A.; Alyssa; Jeters; Epstein; our nation, our world and leaders; our friends who have needs; sickness; Scott; Judy & Josh; David & Melinda Landrum; Arnold & Sharon Gale; Ellen Neff; Bollingers; Moyers; Darlene Shull; Lois Smith; Bonnie & Denny Lee; LeRoy LaMarr; Alida & Kelly O'Neal; our president; Cody; Patricia; Hadleigh Thornley & family; LSCS Tiffany McMahon; Sherry & Daniel Whitacre; Mary Kathryn Clark; Shirley Dick; Marilyn Stelzl; McKenna Newcome & family; Jane Thomas; Rev. Clay & Lisa Knick; Pastor Aaron; Helen & Russ Fitch; Nelda & Charles Harless; Bob, Lorraine & Norma Wilson; Dawna Wilson; Sandy Wilson; Nellie Snoots; Ed Marshall; JoAnne Carper; Tina and Shane Weagley; Mary Haines; Amy, Frank Haines, & boys; Sharon & George Teets; our world; the hungry, homeless, lonely, and grieving; Mason Look; Barbara Bledsoe; Carole Ay; Spurrs; Kay-Beth Ambrose  
Sympathy to the family of Jason Ritchie (*Tammy Corey's brother*)

**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](http://kernstownumc.org/give)
4. Scheduled payments through your bank
5. Mail check to KUMC



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## Kernstown United Methodist Church



**"Strives to welcome ALL into a loving church family that glorifies God through worship, nurture, and outreach to our neighbors."**

January 18, 2026

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany

**\*Stand as able; bold print-all respond**

Prelude (*Prepare your hearts for worship*) David Landrum

Ring of the Bell

Greeting

Ric Dunkle | Rev. Dr. Gómez

**\*Call to Worship**

Children of God, who has God called you to be?

**A light to all the nations!**

When confusion, disunity, and misinformation threaten to undo us, who are you called to be?

**A light to all the nations!**

When wars and rumors of wars in our communities and around the world overwhelm us, who are you called to be?

**A light to all the nations!**

When the vulnerable are left without care or hope for flourishing, who are you called to be?

**A light to all the nations!**

Come! Let us worship God, Who gives us as a light of good news to all the nations!

**We come to worship God, Who calls us and equips us to reflect God's glory and abundant life into all the world. Amen.**

**\*Hymn 2074 TFWS**

**Shout to the Lord**

\*Lighting of the Altar Candles

**\*Affirmation of Faith 881 (UMH) Apostles' Creed**

### \*Gloria Patri 70 (UMH)

Time with the Younger Congregation (*Children invited forward for a short message, then dismissed to children's church.*)

### Prayer for Illumination

**Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and Your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us today. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson      Isaiah 49:1-7      Brian Henshaw

Epistle Lesson      1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Choir Anthem      *Trust in the Lord*

**\*Hymn 568 UMH**      ***Christ for the World We Sing***

\*Gospel Lesson      John 1:29-42      Rev. Dr. Gómez

Sermon      *Party Time!*

Pastoral Prayer & **Lord's Prayer 895 (UMH)**

Invitation to the Offering

**\*Offertory**      Clappin' Kids Medley

Offertory Prayer      Rev. Dr. Gómez

Ministry Moments

**\*Hymn 334 UMH**      ***Sweet, Sweet Spirit***

**\*Benediction**      Rev. Dr. Gómez

**\*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** (*Rejoice in the music of the Lord*)      David Landrum

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TFWS = The Faith We Sing | UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (red)

### 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. Reminder, this how we track your **attendance**, thank you for completing each time you attend.

**Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Victor** - Each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. join Pastor Victor for a time of coffee, chatting, and fellowship. It is a relaxed space to connect, share, and enjoy one another's company before worship. Everyone is welcome, come as you are!

**Fellowship Brunch** today in fellowship hall after worship.

**Booth** - The KUMC Sound Booth Ministry would like to take a moment and remind anyone that needs to make an announcement during our Sunday service, as loud of a voice you may or may not have, we would politely ask you to go up front to the lectern or use the handheld mic to make your announcements. Whereas the congregation in attendance at the service will hear you, our live streaming attendees will not. We know and understand it could be a little bit nerve racking to speak using the microphone, but we want all attendees (in person or virtually) to hear what you have to say. Thank you in advance.

**Reach & Serve/Outreach Mission Ministry** - meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday every other month at 4:30 afternoon. We need you! Please pray about joining us as we vision, plan and engage in mission here at KUMC. Our next meeting is March 10 at 4.

**Volunteers Needed ~ 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 Ave. UMC. If you can spare about 45 minutes, please sign up! We need volunteers.

**Choir** has resumed. Anyone is welcome, we rehearse 7 pm Wednesday upstairs. See David for questions.

**Encounter** - Courage is the foundational virtue required for the Christian life. But often we wonder if we have what it takes to live the vital life Jesus offers his disciples. In *Courage: Jesus and the Call to Brave Faith*, pastor and author Tom Berlin challenges us to unlock the courage that we already possess as Christ followers. By examining the life of Christ, we will begin to understand what true courage is and how God works in the lives of Christ followers as they exhibit a brave faith. Once we have eyes to hear what Jesus is showing us, once have ears to hear, we can begin to find the remarkable life Jesus offers us. Join us as the study includes a video each Sunday morning and group discussion, upstairs at 9 am.