

Announcements, continued

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.

Calendar - Week of January 4th

Today: 9 Encounter | 10 Coffee | 10:30 Worship/Leadership Recognition | 2 Concert Booth-Sam Henshaw; Scripture-Brian Henshaw; Counters-Roger Hill & Karen Wells

Tues.: 10:30 Freedge | 11 Gosnell Service | 2 private burial | 12-4 Bridge fh

Wed., 9:30 W&W (fh) | BSF 9³⁰ | 11:00 Prayer Group | 5³⁰ TOPS | 6 Bells | 7 Choir

Thurs.: TOPS 8:30; 6³⁰ Trustees | 7 R & S **Friday:** 11-3 Bridge fh; **Sat.:** FH private use all Day

Sun., Jan. 11, 2026: 10 Coffee | 10:30 Wesley Covenant Service Worship w/ Brian Henshaw

Greeters: Judy Chapman & Vicky Maphis; Counters Gary Lantz /

Prayers: Kingsport, TN, family; peace, joy, hope, and love for the world; Sandy; Jeter family; Epstein family, Charlie Donohoe, Barbara Cooper, Evan Depp; Jim Barker; Eileen Neff; Natalie Palmer; Bollingers; Moyers; Trammels; our pastor; Alexis family; Jacob; Sheri R; Nancy & Bruce; Elaine & Jody; Richard Sanchez; our president; Kerri D.; Mary Strosnider; Daleigh Carper; Baby Maggie; Liz Molina; Brock family; Grim family; Thompson family; Sandra Keiter; Yoselin Zelaya Romero; Annie; Will; Logan family, Quinn family; Littman family; families in Nigeria; Sage; Stori; Sarah; Amanda; Kathy; travelers; Mike Hansen family; Ada Huffman; our country; leaders; Vicky Johnson; Michael Cheladyn; Virginia Stanley; Magalene Corbin; safe travel through May; Alida & Kelly O'Neal; LeRoy LaMarr; Bonnie & Denny Lee; Chrissy Rust; Tina Raia; Nora Seabright; a new year that is more joyful for everyone; my parents; Darlene Shull; Lois Smith; Daniel & Sherry Whitacre; Heaton family; people who have no family; Bobby Carlye; thankful for the grace of God; Dan Folger; Mark Wells; Rev. Reggie Rumburg family; Daniel Whitmare; 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; Jason & Lillian Ritchie; thankful for God's blessing this year

Sympathies: Families of Pastor Andy Brock, Rev. Howard Gosnell & Jeffrey Bloxom

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5. Mail check to KUMC



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

January 4, 2026

Epiphany Sunday

***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**

We gather as people looking for the star, a sign that God is at work in the world.

God, help us find Your glory.

We gather as people listening for the whispers of the Spirit, hints of the Good News in the least likely places.

God, help us notice Your glory.

We gather as people yearning for Love's presence, the assurance that we are not alone and Love will have the last word.

God, help us encounter Your glory.

On this Epiphany Sunday, may the Light of Love shine among us, revealing divine glory through neighbors known and unknown, vulnerable children, and unexpected gifts.

God, reveal to us anew the glory of Your expansive Love that gathers us together and sustains us in loving service to one another and all creation.

Amen.

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

***Hymn 254 UMH**

We Three Kings

***Lighting of the Altar Candles**

An Order For The Installation or Recognition of Leaders in the Church

Dear friends, you have been called by God and chosen by the people of God for leadership in the church. This ministry is a blessing and a serious responsibility. It recognizes your special gifts and calls you to work among us and for us. In love, we thank you for accepting your obligation and challenge you to offer your best to the Lord, to these people, and to our ministry in the world. Live a life in Christ and make Him known in your witness and your work. Today we will install you. Do you this day acknowledge yourself a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ?

I do.

Will you devote yourself to the service of God in the world?

I will.

Will you so live that you enable this church to be a people of love and peace?

I will.

Will you do all in your power to be responsible to the task for which you have been chosen?

I will.

Let us pray. Almighty God, pour out Your blessings upon these your servants who have been given particular ministries in Your church. Grant them grace to give themselves wholeheartedly in Your service. Keep before them the example of our Lord, who did not think first of Himself, but gave Himself for us all. Let them share His ministry and consecration, that they may enter into His joy. Guide them in their work. Reward their faithfulness with the knowledge that through them Your purposes are accomplished; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The pastor addresses the congregation: Dear friends, rejoice that God provides laborers for the vineyards. Will you do all you can to assist and encourage them in the responsibilities to which they have been called, giving them your cooperation, your counsel, and your prayers?

The congregation responds: **We will.**

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.

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| Old Testament Lesson | Jeremiah 31:1-7 | Brian Henshaw |
| Epistle Lesson | Ephesians 1:3-14 | |
| Special Music | <i>Messiah</i> | Kelly Henshaw |
| *Hymn 2235 TFWS | <i>We Are Marching</i> | |
| *Gospel Lesson | John 1:10-18 | Rev. Dr. Gómez |
| Sermon | <i>Reveal</i> | |

Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer: 895 (UMH)

Invitation to the Offering

***Offertory** *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.

Offertory Prayer Rev. Dr. Gómez

*Ministry Moments

***Hymn 383 UMH** *This Is a Day of New Beginnings*

***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

CCLI # 11408803 TFWS = The Faith We Sing | UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (red)

Announcements

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.
Cello & Piano Concert -Just a reminder that there is another winter concert this afternoon at 2 pm. It is entitled “Two Wise Guys Celebrate the Three Wise Guys.” It will feature Tom Valdez, cello and David Landrum, piano. It will have a wide variety of music, and a love offering will be taken for the Laurel Center. See you then.

| Kernstown UMC Leaders for 2026 | | |
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| <u>Church Council</u> Brian Henshaw Danna Doyle Ric Dunkle Roy Walker Dave Ford Carolyn Carney Cathy Lichvar Lisa Dawson Doris Miller Sam Henshaw Danny Aube Steve Wells Lorraine Shelton Karen Wells* Rev. Dr. Gomez | <u>Finance</u> Roy Walker Lisa Dawson Cathy Lichvar Brian Henshaw Carolyn Carney Dave Ford Ric Dunkle Cheryl Spurr Polly Look Roger Hill Edward Jackman Gary Lantz Kevin Mosser Rev. Dr. Gomez | <u>SPPRC</u> Carolyn Carney Daniel Conklin Lisa Dawson Ric Dunkle Brianna Jackman Barb Mosser Richard Nenge Nora Seabright Steve Spurr Rev. Dr. Gomez <u>Nom. & Leadership Dev.</u> Rev. Dr. Gomez Mary Anton Lisa Dawson Ric Dunkle Sandy Dunkle Sherry Ford Glenda Gale |
| <u>Trustees</u> Dave Ford Susan Hill Brenda Long Edward Jackman Chris Lutz Barbara Mallory Dwight Miller Dennis O’Neal | <u>Work Area Chairs</u> Doris Miller, C&C Lisa Dawson, R&S Steve Wells, R&S Ric Dunkle, Acting E&E Lorraine Shelton, W&W <u>Lay Servant</u> Doris Miller | Approved Chrg Conf 10/26/2025 *Rev 12/15/25, Karen Wells to Church Council as Membership Secy |