†Hymn 239 UMH Silent Night, Holy Night

Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright round yon virgin mother and child. Holy infant, so tender and mild, sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent night, holy night, shepherds quake at the sight; glories stream from heaven afar, heavenly hosts sing Alleluia! Christ, the Savior, is born, Christ the Savior is born!

Silent night, holy night, Son of God, love's pure light; radiant beams from thy holy face, with the dawn of redeeming grace, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth, Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

(Raise Candles) Silent night, holy night, wondrous star, lend thy light; with the angels let us sing, Alleluia to our King; Christ the Savior is born, Christ the Savior is born.

†Blessing

†Final Hymn 246 UMH Joy to the World

Postlude David Landrum

CCLI # 11408803 UMH-United Methodist Hymnal

Welcome Visitors! You have blessed us by your presence this evening and we know that God is blessing you today. We hope that you can find a church family at Kernstown UMC.

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.

Have a blessed and wonderful Christmas. Remember, it is not your birthday! It is Jesus' birthday. Go and celebrate!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!

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Kounstown United Methodist Church



December 24th, 2025

Christmas Eve, 7:00 pm

†Stand as you are able

Bold print - all respond

Gathering Music

David Landrum

Welcome and Greeting

Rev. Dr. Victor Gómez

†Hymn 234 (UMH)

O Come, All Ye Faithful (verses 1-3,6)

†Lighting of the Altar Candles

†Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The Gómez Family

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Please be seated. We gather to celebrate the birth of the One who is the light of the world and "be present."

We are here to worship God - and His Son Jesus - born in Bethlehem of Judea.

We light the candle of Hope to remind us of the promises made by all the prophets that God would raise up a savior for God's people.

Christ is our Hope and our salvation. He calls us to share our Hope in Him with each other (light candle of Hope).

We light the candle of Peace to remind us that it is only with God and by following in God's path that true Peace can be found.

Christ brings the Peace of God to us. He calls us to share the Peace He gives with each other (light candle of Peace).

We light the candle of Joy to remind us that God gives Joy to every heart that abides in God.

As Mary rejoiced in the birth of Jesus - so His birth in us brings us Joy. God calls us to share the Joy He gives with each other (light candle of Joy).

We light the candle of Love to remind us that Jesus is God's gift of Love to us - and that in Him, the light of Love triumphs over darkness.

Love never fails - it transforms all those who give it and receive it. God calls us to share God's Love with each other (light candle of Love).

Hymn 245 UMH The First Noel

Bell Anthem Away in a Manger

†Lighting the Christ Candle

Roger & Susan Hill

Please rise. We light the Christ candle to remind us that the light of the world was born this night and "be present."

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. Those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness – on them a light has shined.

You, O Lord, have multiplied the nation. You have increased its joy.

For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given, and the government shall be upon His shoulder.

His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.

He is also called Emmanuel, for in Him, God is with us.

†Hymn 238 UMH Angels We Have Heard on High

Unison Prayer

Almighty God - You have made this night holy by the gift of Your Son, born of the Holy Spirit and of Mary. Upon Him rested all Your grace, through Him has come all Your mercy. Let His light shine within our hearts tonight even more brightly than it shines from the candles in this place. Help us to hear Your Word and to celebrate Your everlasting love through Him. Amen.

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 9:2-7 Cathy Lichvar

Epistle Reading 1 John 1:1-9

†Hymn 229 UMH Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

†Gospel Reading Luke 2:1-20

Special Music O Holy Night Kelly Henshaw

Message Reclaim Christmas Rev. Dr. Victor Gómez

Offertory Go Tell It on the Mountain

Refrain: Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere.
Go, tell it on the mountain That Jesus Christ is born.

While shepherds kept their watching O'er silent flocks by night, Behold thru-out the heavens There shone a holy light.

The shepherds feared and trembled When Io! above the earth Rang out the angel chorus That hailed our Savior's birth. Refrain

Down in a lowly manger The humble Christ was born,

And God sent us salvation That blessed Christmas morn. Refrain

Offertory Prayer

The Lord's Supper Page 18 UMH Musical Setting B