

Announcements, continued

Scriptures: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100; Ephesians 1:15-23; Matthew 25:31-46

Please join us each Wednesday at 11 in the fellowship hall as we pray for our congregation and others: Hospitality; all holiday travelers; Tom Chicca; traveling mercies for Steve & Cheryl; Thanksgiving; Pat; Sage; Sarah; Amanda; unspoken; Freddie & Marie; Helen & Russ; Jack Wood; Jerry Puffinberger; Ashley Murray (*Betty Los's daughter*); Caleb's deployment; Joseph; Jane; Annie; Rich Lichvar; Mark Wells; Lana Austin; Danny Smith; Burzio family; Jimmie Merritt; Simone Poulin; Roger & Joy Poulin travels; Meghan (*Doris niece*); Bob & Linda Nesmith; Ian Epstein; Bob King (*Carol Ay's brother*); Becky Cather; Connie Heironimus; people & hostages in Israel, Palestine & Gaza; Ukraine; Gene Renner; our gov't leaders; travel; Linda (*Carolyn Carney's sister-in-law's sister*); Katy White; Eddie Hott; Bennie Baker's family; Wood family; Ashley Moore; Tami & Joel; James Plotner; homeless; Katie; Dusti; June & Nate Windle; Doug Barnett; Dusti; Roy Walker, shut ins; Brenton Evans; Ben & Crystal Walker; Revelation class; Wilsons, Walkers, Randy Green's family; thanks for fun times and for blessings we don't notice; Doc Madagan's family; Daniel Whitacre; Mary Kathryn Clark; Shirley Dick; Mary Shetler; Jane Thomas; Marilyn Stelzl; Dawna Wilson; Wilsons; Nelda & Charles Harless; Tina & Shane Weagley; Rev. Clay Knick & Lisa; Nellie Snoots; Florence Roman; Sharon & George Teets; Simon & Vicky Newlin; Adele Birnbaum; Betty Murphy; Pamela Martin; Chet Boden & family; new jobs & opportunities; Gabe Fahnestock's family

Calendar

Sunday, November 26 Christ the King Sunday 9:00 Bible Study John 10:20 Worship 11:30 Finance Meeting <i>Reader:</i> Rich Lichvar <i>Greeters:</i> Judy Chapman & Vicki Maphis <i>Counters:</i> Lorraine Shelton & Roy Walker Tuesday, November 28 12-4 Bridge (<i>f. hall</i>) Wednesday, November 29 9-11:30 BSF (<i>2-3 rooms upstairs</i>) 11:00 Prayer & Care (<i>f.hall</i>) 12:00 Advent Service/Lunch 5:30 TOPS Thursday, November 30 5:30 TOPS 6:00 Handbells (<i>f.hall</i>) 7:00 Choir (<i>f.hall</i>)	Friday, December 1 (<i>no bridge</i>) 9:00 Decorate Sanctuary Saturday, December 2 3:00 Sight & Sound Viewing Sunday, December 3 ~ 1st Sunday of Advent 9:00 New Member Orientation/Open Class 9:00 Hospitality 9:00 Bible Study John 10:20 Worship <i>Reader:</i> Steve Wells <i>Greeters:</i> Barb & Kevin Mosser <i>Counters:</i> Roger Hill & Brian Henshaw <i>Upcoming Church Council meeting Dec.11</i> St★rg★zing Sat., Dec. 9, 7:00 pm at Opequon Presby. Parking lot St★rg★zing Sat., Dec. 16, 7:00 pm at Rev. Heaton's Home
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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.

Christ the King Sunday



10:20 a.m. Worship Service

November 26, 2023



Rev. Gary Heaton

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

Prelude	David Landrum
Ring of the Bell	Sam Henshaw
Greeting /Announcements	Cathy Richard
* Call to Worship	JJ Gibbs

Come! Let us give thanks to God!

We give thanks for the gift of warm bread, the smell of dinner cooking in the oven, and the joy of gathering around a table together.

Come! Let us give thanks to God!

We give thanks for all the times God has made a way out of no way, providing for us in body and spirit just when we need it.

Come! Let us give thanks to God!

We give thanks for the ways God weaves us together as a community of love and care, supporting one another in the ebbs and flows of daily life.

Let us come into God's presence with grateful praise!

Come! Let us worship God together. Amen.

***Hymn**

O Worship the King

UMH 73

Lighting of Altar Candles Sam Henshaw
Scripture Lesson Matthew 25:31-46 Rich Lichvar
Response to the Word Great Things Choir

Offering and Children's Church Shine, Jesus, Shine
Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory, blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire; flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy, send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light. Lord, the light of Your love is shining in the midst of the darkness shining; Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us, set us free by the truth You now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me.

Prayers of the People JJ Gibbs
Congregational Prayer

God of Healing and Transformation, we hunger and thirst for Your abundant life. We bring You our sorrow and ask for the bread of joy; we bring You our despair and ask for the bread of hope; we bring You our weariness and ask for the bread of inspiration. Meet us here. We need the bread of heaven to sustain us as we journey to find our way, that we may be one with You. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

*Hymn All Creatures of Our God and King UMH 62
Sermon "Same God" Brian Henshaw
Malachi 3: 1-6

Pastoral Prayer & Lord's Prayer UMH 895
Invitation to Holy Communion Rev. Bill Wade
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
*Hymn Rejoice the Lord Is King UMH 715
*The Benediction JJ Gibbs
* Choral Benediction Go Now and Live for the Savior
Go now and live for the Savior. Go, may this joy be your joy too. Go, may this presence ever guide you. Go, live this life the whole day through.

Postlude David Landrum
(*Please stand as able) CCLI # 114088

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.

Our next New Member Sunday is December 17. Orientation classes are December 3 and 10 at 9:00. If you have any questions, see Rev. Heaton or call the office.



BASTA-Reach & Serve is sponsoring "Be A Santa to a Senior" through Home Instead and the tags are on the tree in the narthex. Each tag has only 3-6 requested items on them. Please take only 1 tag to allow the entire congregation to pick a client. The gifts are due back on Sunday, Dec. 10. Please tape the tag to your box or gift bag with the unwrapped gifts & place them under the tree.

Poinsettias – If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor of or in memory of someone for Christmas, please fill out the order form. An alternative is to make a donation to CCAP. The cost of the poinsettia is \$11. Please indicate on the form how many poinsettias you want to order and/or the amount of the donation to CCAP and the name(s) of the individual(s) you are honoring or remembering. The deadline for placing an order is today.

Sight & Sound Christmas Spectacular - On Saturday, December 2, at 3 p.m. , we invite you to join us in the fellowship hall for a special holiday streaming event as MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS comes to life for the very first time on Sight & Sound TV! Travel back in time to Nazareth and Bethlehem as the original Christmas story unfolds all around you. You can journey alongside Mary and Joseph, a flock of surprised shepherds, and the three wisemen too. There may be no room at the inn, but God has a lowly stable prepared as the angels announce the coming of the Messiah!



Community Advent Lunchtime Worship - Join us each week for our Community Advent Lunchtime Worship at noon. Our first Advent Lunchtime Worship service will occur on Wednesday, November 29, and the final Lunchtime Worship service will meet December 20. For this ecumenical gathering, we welcome pastors and special musicians from congregations in our community and region. We will provide a "light lunch" (sandwich, side item, drink, and dessert) immediately following worship in the fellowship hall. If you are on a tight schedule, please feel free to go to the front of the line.

Advent & Christmas at Kernstown United Methodist Church - Our Journey Through the Darkness. Join us as we look for HOPE & FAITH & LOVE in the timeless story of the birth of JESUS. We will be looking to the heavens by searching the stars in the night sky to remind us that the light that shines in the darkness has come to us through our SAVIOR. Pick up a brochure in the pew.

