#### Announcements, continued

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 together each week. Be faithful in prayer - Romans 12:12 NIV Prayer Concerns: Mary Sue Davison (Betty Lou Langager's sister); praise safe return; Mark Wells; Danny Smith; Lana Austin; family of Bishop Thomas Stockton; Laban Sadtler; my parents; Sarah; Sage; Rick; Amanda; Betsy Burns; Lee Lichvar; praise for Russ Gibson; war zones; Caleb; Jaeda; Roger; Steve Wells; Israel, Palestine & Gaza; David; Annie; Ashley; Aiden; Evan; Pastor Clay Knick; Ian & Emily Epstein; Abby Anglin; Pat; David Donohoe; Cheryl; Marcy; Willie; Vanessa; Conklin's; Holstine's; Gene Renner; safe travels; Juanita Maddox; EmmaLou Artz; Gene Sine; praise-James Schulhof (newborn); Connie Hieronimus; Becky Cather; Denny Lee; Jerry Chapman; Phil Shobe; Freddie & Marie Cheshire; Jack Wood; Russ & Helen Fitch; Bennie Baker; safe travel for Markle family and all people; Polly Look; Reagan Walker-Wilson family; Mary Kathryn; Marilyn Stelzl; our KUMC members; the hungry; Wilsons; Walkers, Ralph & Dee; unspoken; Daniel Whitacre; Shirley Dick; Mary Shetler; Jane Thomas; Dawna Wilson; Tina & Shane Weagley; Nellie Snoots; Florence Roman; Sharon & George Teets; Simon & Vicky Newlin; Doc Madagan; Nelda & Charles Harless & family; Amy, Frank Haines & boys; Adele Birnbaum; our world

Scriptures: Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 Thess 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

Calendar

### Sunday, October 29 Commitment Sunday

9:00 Art of Hospitality Leader Class 9:00 12-week Bible Study John

10:20 Worship

5:00 Small Group Adult Pop Topic (offsite)

Reader: Sarah Gordon

Greeters: Carolyn Sibert & Vicky Maphis Counters: Roy Walker & Brian Henshaw

Tuesday, October 31 12-4 Bridge (f. hall)

Wednesday, November 1

9-11:30 BSF (2-3 rooms upstairs) 11:00 Prayer & Care (f.hall)

5:30 TOPS

6:00 Handbells (f.hall)

7:00 Choir (f.hall)

Thursday, November 2 8:30 TOPS (f.hall)

#### Friday, November 3

9:30 - 2:30 Bridge (f. hall)

Saturday, November 4

10:00 OCC Packing Party

Sunday, November 5 All Saints Sunday

**Daylight Savings Time Ends** 

9:00 Art of Hospitality Leader Class

9:00 Bible Study John

10:20 Worship Reader: Sam Henshaw

Greeters: Judy Chapman & Charlie Donohoe

Counters: Roger Hill & Cathy Richard

### **Upcoming:**

Nov. 09 Finance Committee Budget Mtg.

Nov. 12 Charge Conference at Macedonia

Nov. 22 Thanksgiving Eve Service 7pm

Staff: Rev. Gary Heaton, Pastor <u>pastor@kernstownumc.org</u>, Pam Brannon Administrative Assistant, <u>office@kernstownumc.org</u>, J.J. Gibbs, Dir. of Program Ministry <u>programs@kernstownumc.org</u>, David Landrum, Dir. of Music Ministries <u>dlandrum17@gmail.com</u>



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.

### **Commitment Sunday**

# 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Pentecost





10:20 a.m. Worship Service

October 29, 2023



# **Rev. Gary Heaton**

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

Prelude

David Landrum

Ringing of the Bell

Sam Henshaw

Greeting /Announcements

Cathy Richard

JJ Gibbs

# \* Call to Worship

As we gather to worship today, turn to a neighbor\* and say to each other, "Welcome! I am glad you are here!"

#### Welcome! I am glad you are here!

Now, turn to another neighbor\* and say to each other, "You are loved by God and by me!"

## You are loved by God and by me!

Beloved children of God, how can we love each other today?

By meeting and listening and caring for one another face-to-face.

Beloved children of God, how can we love God today?

By practicing our love for one another and God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

Let us worship God together today!

We come to worship God by living our love for God and neighbor face-to-face. Amen.

\*Hvmn Take My Life, and Let it Be **UMH 399** 

Lighting of Altar Candles Sam Henshaw

Scripture Lesson Deuteronomy 34:1-7 Sarah Gordon

Response to the Word Zip Zip Ring Ring Handbells

Offering and Children's Church This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Stewardship Moment Roy Walker

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Prayers of the People

Rev. Heaton

**Congregational Prayer** Rev. Heaton

God of unimaginable love, You have given us so much and asked so little. In the words of Jesus, we have been commanded to love You with our whole being, love our neighbors, and love ourselves. For that simple price, You have given us everything and promised to love us and not desert us. It is a covenant more generous than anyone could imagine, and yet how often we fail to keep the bargain. We love You when it is convenient and will not embarrass us before others. We pick and choose which neighbors we love, as we pick and choose when we will love ourselves. As we dedicate our gifts this morning to bringing acts of love, may we also resolve to better keep our side of Your covenant of love. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

\*Hymn **UMH 572** Pass It On Sermon "And I Am Third" Rev. Heaton

Matthew 22:34-46

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

**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

Offering and Response to the Word **Faithful** Choir Freely, Freely \*Hymn **UMH 389** 

\*The Benediction Rev. Heaton

God Be with You till We Meet Again **UMH 672** \* Choral Benediction God be with you till we meet again; by His counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again. Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet; till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

David Landrum Postlude

(\*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 24. Orientation classes are December 3, 10 and 17, at 9:00. If you have any questions, see Rev. Heaton or call the office.



**CCAP** Reach & Serve will be collecting items again this year for Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners. Shopping Lists are in the narthex, collections run thru November.

Welcome Kristianna - We are blessed to have Kristianna Pirrie with us this morning to sing with our chancel choir and ring with our handbells. You may remember her from earlier this year when she was a featured soloist in the Lenten Cantata and on Easter Sunday. Thanks, Kristianna, for sharing your spiritual gifts with us.

Today is **Commitment Sunday**, if you forgot your green pledge card, there are some in the pew racks.

Next Sunday, November 5, is All Saint's Sunday. It is also Daylight Savings Time Ends, don't forget to turn your clocks back.