Announcements, continued

Care & Connect 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 Prayers: Todd; Mark Wells; Laban Sadtler; Helen Spurr; Tom Chicca; Barabara Funkhouser; Sue Marstan Boyd; Rose Hughes family; Freddie & Marie; Jack Wood; Jerry Puffinberger; Emma Ray Kimrey (Doris new great-niece); Jerry & Judy Chapman; safe travels; Wilsons; Walkers; Audrey Dorton; Sarah, Sage & Amanda; new jobs; Bri's mom; Lisa Beaver; safe travels for Edward Jackman; David's recovery; Annie, Ashley & Aiden; Bobby & Grace; Jason & Brittany; Ben; Emily; Jennifer; Ian & Emilie Epstein; Rev. Clay Knick; Libyans; Moroccans; June & Nate Windle; Doug; Joe; Les Brining; Madison Carte; Bennie Baker; Frank Moore; Piccolo family; Charlie & Marple; Kordella family; Suzanne & Dan Conklin; the Holstine family; CJ; Denny Lee; Becky Cather; Connie Heironimus; Allen; our Nomination & Leadership Development Team; Pamela Martin; Amy (Maria's friend); family of Kraig Kelican | Care Facilities: Consulate H/C: Connie Mitchell (PA); Lynn Care: Rosalie Wehn; Marilyn Stelzl (112A); Mt. Vernon: Virginia Ebbs; Search Grp. Home: Steven Dobbin; Spring Arbor: Lloyd Henry (210); Marietta Lipscomb (239); Jean Snider (144); W/C: Linda Sullivan; Military: Douglas Castro; 2LT Jared Castro; CPO Tiffany McMahan; LTC Tom Crowley; CDR Robert Littman; Other: Jeanne Newlin & Janie Slater; Peggy Gillich, her great-grandson, Lawton, & granddaughter; Missionaries: Gregg & Jayne Yarian; Pr. Michael & Lupe Geiss

This Week's Scriptures: Exodus 16:2-15; Psalm 78 & 105:1-6, 37-45; Philippians 1:21-30; Matthew 20:1-16

Calendar

Sunday, September 24 9:00 New Member Orientation 9:00 12-week Bible Study John (week 3) 10:20 Worship 11:30 50th Year Membership Recognition 7:00 Small Group Adult Pop Topic (offsite) Greeters: Vicki Maphis & Judy Chapman

Counters: Lorrainne Shelton & Roy Walker

Tuesday, September 26

12-4 Bridge (f. hall)

2:00 Worship & Wonder Meeting

-6:00 Wonder of Worship Class class canceled

Wednesday, September 27

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, September 28

8:30 TOPS (f. hall)

7:00 Church Council

7:00 UWF Zoom SRD mtg. (DeMoya Rm)

Friday, September 29

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

Sunday, October 1

9:00 New Member Orientation

9:00 12-week Bible Study John (week 4)

10:20 Worship

7:00 Small Group Adult Pop Topic (offsite)

Reader: Cathy Lichvar

Greeters: Loretta & Gary Lantz Counters: Cathy Richard & Roger Hill

Upcoming:

10/22 District Conference Zoom 2pm

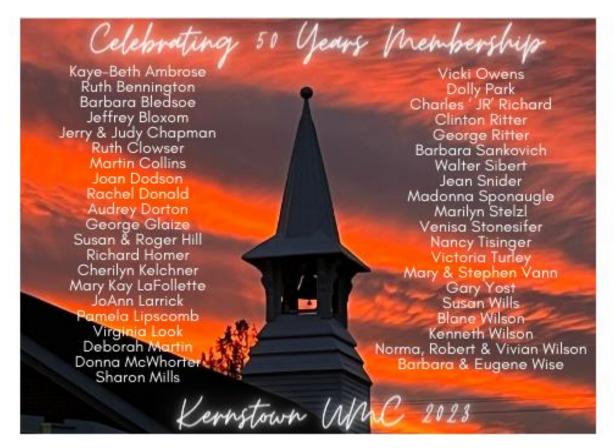
11/12 Charge Conference at Macedonia 2pm

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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.

17th Sunday of Pentecost



10:20 a.m. Worship Service

September 24, 2023



Rev. Gary Heaton

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

Prelude Ringing of the Bell

Greeting /Announcements

David Landrum
Sam Henshaw
Cathy Richard

* Call to Worship J.J. Gibbs

Come! Now is the time to worship!

We come to worship God Who provides!

When the Israelites wandered in the wilderness, God provided manna and quail.

God provides in unexpected ways.

Jesus tells a story of vineyard workers, some who work all day and some who work mere hours, yet the generous landowner paid all of them equally.

God provides in unexpected ways.

God does provide in unexpected ways, yet manna, quail, and grapes need gathering and harvesting.

We respond to God's provision by gathering and harvesting all that God provides. Come! Now is the time to worship!

We come to worship and partner with God Who provides for the long haul!

*Hymn Christ Beside Me TFWS 2166
Lighting of Altar Candles Sam Henshaw

Scripture Lesson Philippians 1:21-30 Doris Miller Response to the Word Jesus, The Very Thought of Thee Handbells

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. Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Prayers of the People Rev. Heaton

Congregational Prayer

Rev. Heaton

God of endless patience, we know that the sound of our complaining is not the music that pleases Your ears. We complain about the food that is under or overcooked, and You hear the stomachs that have no food. We whine about the bed being too soft, and You see instead those whose bed is the sidewalk or the floor of a cell. May the worship we offer today be an act of praise that drowns out the noise of our complaining. May it find its way to bring comfort to Your children who have little or nothing; and when that happens, may it be joy for Your eyes and ears. In Christ, we pray. Amen.

*Hymn Take Up Thy Cross UMH 415
Sermon "Who Is Doing the Work?" Rev. Heaton

Matthew 20:1-16

Response to Spoken Word Mighty to Save Chancel Choir

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

*Hymn Jesus Saves Cokesbury 131

*The Benediction Rev. Heaton

*Choral Benediction May the Peace of the Lord Christ Go with You

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you wherever He may send you. May He guide you through the wilderness; protect you through the storm. May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you. May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

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 October 8. Orientation classes **are today**, and October 1 at 9:00. If you have any questions, see Rev. Heaton or call the office.



<u>Trustees</u>: **Shed Clean Up Day -**Trustees have chosen

Saturday, September 30, 2023, at 9:00 am for a day to organize and clean up the shed. It is located on the back corner of the property. If your work area has anything of value in the shed, please see a trustee (listed below). Your help is requested and if you have a truck, please bring it and join in the fun.

Trustees: Dave Ford, Susan Hill, Steve Ayers, Jerry Chapman, Chris Lutz, ,Brenda Long, Dennis O'Neal, Larry Sullivan

Reach & Serve: **UWF** – Shenandoah River District Annual Meeting on Thursday, Sept. 28, at 7pm in DeMoya Classroom by Zoom.

<u>Care & Connect:</u> **Fellowship Lunch** - The congregation is invited to join in our recognition of 50 Year Members after the service today in the fellowship hall. There will be food, sharing, music and reminiscing. All are welcome!

<u>Church Council</u>: On Thursday, Sept. 28, our Church Council will meet to hear reports on upcoming ministries and begin working on plans for 2024. Please let Rev. Heaton know if you are interested in being nominated to serve as a District Delegate to the Annual Conference next June 20 - 22, 2024.