

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

Calendar

<u>Sunday, Sept. 28,</u> 16 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 Encounter 10:00 Coffee Time w/ Pastor Victor 10:30 Worship <i>Booth: Sam Henshaw</i> <i>Greeters: Betty Phillips & Polly Look</i> <i>Children: Cathy Lichvar & Glenda Gale</i> <i>Counters: Roy Walker & Lorraine Shelton</i>	<u>Thursday, October 2</u> <i>TOPS 8:30</i> ZOOM @ 7 Nomination Leadership Dev. Com. <u>Friday, October 3</u> <i>11-3 Bridge fh</i> <u>Sunday, October 5,</u> 17 th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 Encounter 10:00 Coffee Time with Pastor Victor 10:30 Worship 11:30 Finance Meeting <i>Booth:</i> <i>Greeters: Judy Allen</i> <i>Children: Lisa Dawson & Carolyn Carney</i> <i>Counters: Roger Hill & Brian Henshaw</i>
<u>Tuesday, September 30</u> 10:30 Freedge Ministry <i>12-4 Bridge fh</i>	<i>Upcoming:</i> Oct. 7 W&W; Oct 9 Trustees Oct. 12 Church Council after worship <i>Tentative</i> Oct. 23 Church Council at 4 Oct. 26 Hosting Charge Conf.
<u>Wednesday, October 1</u> BSF 9 ³⁰ & <i>TOPS 5³⁰</i> 11:00 Prayer Group (All are welcome) fh 6:00 Handbell Practice 7:00 Choir Practice	

Scriptures: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15; Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31
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 each week. *Be faithful in prayer-Philippians 4:6-7: Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.* **Pew Prayers:** Sandy Dunkle; Epsteins; Jeters; Steve Spurr; Knicks; Aaron Rust; Tina Raia; our church, the ill, hurting, and lost; Mark Wells; Carole Ay; Wilsons; Walkers; Edna Renner; Susan Hill; Chris; Caleb; Emma; Sarah; Jean Snider; Connie; Simone Poulin; Connie Parson; Greyson Baker; Glenna Reed; Jan Sweet's friends; Bentley Wilson; our service men and women; Pastor Bill's children; Laura (Dan) & Emily Folger; Maureen C.; June & Nate W.; Dusti P.; Dawn; Danna's FL family; Carolyn Barr; Sandy Keiter; Kirk family; Amy & Caitlin; Sage; Stori; Sarah; Kathy; thanks for hope; Sabrina; Kelly; Bill Tumblin; Scott Tumblin; Cathy V.; Carrie; our Christian leaders; our president; Richard Sanchez; Russ & Lara Conklin; Dottie Holstein; Elizabeth Mitchell; Gale family; Moyers; Bollingers; Ellen Neff; Jill & family; travelers; Sandra Waggy; Darlene Shull; Lois Smith; Kelly & Alida O'Neal; Denny & Bonnie Lee; Leroy Lamarr; Dennis Tusing; Thornleys; Tiffany McMahon; M.K.Clark; Shirley Dick; Marilyn Stelzl; JoAnne Carper; Newcomes; Jane Thomas; Fitch & Harless families; Weagleys; Ed Marshall; Nellie Snoots; Haines; Teets; the hungry; homeless; lonely; grieving; Kay-Beth Ambrose; Jason Ritchie (*Tammy Corey's brother*); Aimee Lorusso; Barbara Bledsoe; parents; Bowers family



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 as well as a **children's moment** in the sanctuary with the pastor.

16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 28, 2025, 10:30 a.m.



Kernstown United Methodist Church
Rev. Dr. Victor Gómez
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** All who are able, please stand; bold print - all respond*

Prelude (Prepare your hearts for worship) David Landrum
Ringing of the Bell
Greeting Lay Leader, Ric Dunkle & Rev. Dr. Gómez
***Opening Hymn** *The Voice of God Is Calling* **UMH 436**
Lighting of Altar Candles
***Call to Worship** **Rev. Dr. Gómez**
We gather today to worship God, Who listens when we call.
We gather to rest in the shadow of God's wings.
We gather to pray to God, Who answers us when we call.
We gather to lift our voices in the shadow of God's wings.
We gather to praise God, Who rescues us when we call.
We gather to rejoice in the shadow of God's wings.
Beloved, come! Let us worship God, Who covers and delivers us in Love.
We gather to worship in the shadow of God's wings.
Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, April 2025.
Scripture Lesson 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Kelly Henshaw
Response to the Word *The Family We Find Along the Way* Choir
Offering **In All Things Give Him Thanks**
And in all things give Him thanks, and in all things let your gratitude shine through.
And in all things give Him thanks. For He has given all things unto you. (repeat)
Offertory Prayer Rev. Dr. Gómez
Prayers of the People Rev. Dr. Gómez

Congregational Prayer

Rev. Dr. Gómez

Eternal God, the refuge and help of all Your children, we praise You for all You have given us, for all You have done for us, for all that You are to us. In our weakness, You are strength; in our darkness, You are light; in our sorrow, You are comfort and peace. We cannot number Your blessings; we cannot declare Your love: For all Your blessings, we bless You. May we live as in Your presence, and love the things that You love, and serve You in our daily lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Written by St. Boniface (ca. 672-754). Posted on the re:Worship blog at re-worship.blogspot.com/2014/06/prayer-of-saint-boniface.html.

Children’s Time

Rev. Dr. Gómez

*Hymn

Fairest Lord Jesus

UMH 189

Gospel Lesson

Luke 16:19-31

Rev. Dr. Gómez

Sermon

Two Different Guys!

Rev. Dr. Gómez

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

Ministry Opportunities

*Hymn

Change My Heart, O God

TFWS 2152

*The Benediction

Rev. Dr. Gómez

*Choral Benediction

May the Peace of the Lord 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

(Rejoice in the music of the Lord)

David Landrum

CCLI # 11408803

Announcements

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.

Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Victor - Each Sunday at 10:00 a.m., join Pastor Victor for a time of coffee, chatting, and fellowship. It is a relaxed space to connect, share, and enjoy one another’s company before worship. Everyone is welcome; come as you are!

Nametags - Please wear a nametag so others can learn our names.

Meet with the Pastor - If you would like to have a meeting at the church or a visit from the pastor, please let him know. You can reach Pastor Victor at 540-662-2432 or email him at pastor@kernstownumc.org; or you can call the church office 540-667-7298. Note, these are both land lines and they cannot receive texts.

Finance Meeting next Sunday, October 5 after church.

ZOOM - Nomination Leadership Development Committee – via ZOOM meeting on Thursday, October 2 at 7.

THANK YOU, Church Leaders,– The Nominations & Leadership Committee and Pastor Victor want to thank you for your past and continued leadership and partnership in ministry. Your leadership has helped us grow in faith, strengthen our ministries, and share God’s love with our community. We are deeply grateful for your commitment and dedication. We look forward to another exciting year and we thank you for sharing your gifts and graces with our church!

Worship & Wonder - Scripture Readers are needed for the 4th quarter of 2025 and for 2026. There is a sign-up sheet on the ministry table in the narthex. Please sign up if you or your family would like to read for the entire month. If you have questions, please contact Lorraine Shelton (540-771-8301, lorraineshelton0566@gmail.com).

Worship & Wonder - Communion – Starting on October 5, we will be partaking communion once a month at the rail. If you have questions, please contact Lorraine Shelton (540-771-8301, lorraineshelton0566@gmail.com).

Educate & Equip - Adult Encounter Sunday School Class on Sunday mornings at 9 am. A study of Philippians led by Rev. Steve Wells meets in room 3 on the second floor of the Education wing.

Reach & Serve - UWF: Reaching Across the Racial Divide – A Presentation by Betty Kilby Baldwin and Phoebe Kilby Saturday, October 11 @ 1-3:00 pm, register laurelridge.edu.

Reach & Serve - Freedge Ministry - Our Friendly Neighborhood Freedge is a community refrigerator that is open 24 hours a day for all to enjoy. On Tuesdays, our church picks up food from CCAP and delivers it to Montague Avenue. If you can spare about 45 minutes a week, please sign up for this ministry. There are plenty of spots in September. Also, if you have excess garden produce this summer, please drop it off at your nearest Freedge.

Ways to Give -Kernstown UMC appreciates all donations to further God’s Kingdom. There are several options available:

- 1. Place in offering basket during worship
- 2. Use QR Code to the right →
- 3. Give online at kernstownumc.org/give
- 4. Scheduled payments through your bank
- 5. Mail check to KUMC

