

## Be faithful in prayer - Romans 12:12 NIV

**Surgeries:** Norma Wilson & JoAnne Carper (2<sup>nd</sup> cataract 1/4)  
**Rehab:** Cork St.: Lloyd Henry; **Care Facilities:** Consulate Health Carr: Connie Mitchell (PA); Spring Arbor: Marietta Lipscomb (#239); Jean Snider (#144); Mount Vernon Nursing Center: Virginia Ebbs; Search Group Home: Steven Dobbin; Sunrise at Bon Air: Irene Gates (#205); Orchard Woods: Phyllis Baker; Lynn Care: Rosalie When; Marilyn Stelzl (#112A); **At Home:** Bryan Hartley, Pat Price, Mary Kathryn Clark, Florence Roman, Tina Weagley, Vauda Gay Adams  
**Military:** CPO Tiffany McMahan; MMN3 Seth Anton; LTC Tom Crowley; 2LT Jared Castro; CDR Robert Littman  
**Other Prayer Concerns:** Pastor Clay Knick; the Gordons; Jeanne Newlin & Janie Slater; Peggy Gillich  
**Missionaries:** Gregg & Jayne Yarian; Pastor Michael & Lupe Geiss; **Local Missions:** VAN (Valley Assistance Network), Winchester Rescue Mission, Lord Fairfax Food Bank, C-CAP  
**December 24 & 26:** Steve Dobbin & his friends in their group home; Jane Funkhouser; Emma; Joe; Phil Shobe; John & family; Rick Kibler; Connie; Chad Schott; Audrey Dorton; safe travels for all; Roy & Mary Walker; JoAnne Carper & family; Polly Look & family; Wanda Barkley family; Wilsons; the Youmans, the Newcomes; Faye Shirley; Vauda Gaye Adams

**December 19:** Chad Schott; Lloyd Henry; comfort for those who grieve during this Christmas season; Connie; Mark Wells; safe travel for all this Christmastide; new job for Bobby; Ryan Hamilton; Sequoia Britton & family; Lisa Yowell; Ciaran's father; Phil Shobe; Allan; Gregg; MaryAnn; Dee; tornado victims; our military, KUMC, Grace; my parents; June Windle; Sheryl Hess & family; Milam family; O'Rear family; Mrs. Barnett; Audrey Dorton; Wilsons; the Youmans, the Newcomes; Faye Shirley

**December 12:** Pat Taylor; tornado victims, Charlie Ridgeley; Dick Spicer; travel mercies; Eugene Renner; Don Salisbury; Billy & Terri Scogin; Cathy Weinmann; Logan & Drew; Esther Schaeffer; my parents; Evangelist Peter Kosolo; Eddie Lillis & family; Gene Fishel; Kerry Dunlap; Robert Walker family; Sally; Chris; Caleb; Sarah; Matt Madigan; Russell Perry; the Youmans, the Newcomes; Fay Shirley; Thomas Park; June & Nate; Jill's family; Audrey Dorton; Wilsons; Roy & Mary Walker; Jeanne Newlin & Janie Slater; Laura Taylor

**December 5:** The Youmans, the Newcomes; Barbara Funkhouser; Laura Taylor; Donna; Lisa; troubled ten-year old; families of children killed in Michigan school shooting; Mark Wells; thanks for signs of God at work; thanks for the beautiful sunset; Will; Ali; Connie; military service members; Sharon Croston; June & Tom; Jim Markley; a friend with medical issues; Carlin; Betty; Sharon & George Teets; Billy B.; Todd; Nicci; Allan; Gregg; Grace; MaryAnn; Dee; Sabrina; Jo; June & Nate; Mrs. Barnett; Betty Murphy; Sharon Doyle; Jerry Bennett; Marco Spellman; Paige Williams; Robbin Orndorff; Faye Shirley; Jill's family; Audrey; praise God for using surgeon's skilled hands; John & Ellen; William & Penney Harper

## 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. These are also used for any COVID contact tracing needed and so we know that you're aware of our posted protocols.

**Reach & Serve -** The 2022 inaugural meeting for Reach & Serve work area will be Thursday, Jan. 13, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

**New Members -** Our next New Member Sunday is February 27. Orientation will be at 9:15 on February 6, 13, and 20 in the Pastor's study. See Rev. Heaton with any questions.

### Do you have young children with you in church today?

Please know that ALL children, including crying infants and fidgety youngsters, are **ALWAYS welcome** to attend our entire church service in the sanctuary. Out of caution for unvaccinated children, Kernstown UMC is not yet offering a traditional nursery care during the worship service. We do offer an optional short Children's Church program during Sunday worship.

**Children's Church -** Partway through the worship service, children ages 3-9 are invited to go with Miss Vicki and her helper to the first-floor classroom for a short children's program of story, song, and prayer. Parents are welcome to accompany their child if they wish. Masks will need to be worn by all persons entering the classroom. Children will be brought back to the sanctuary before the closing hymn.

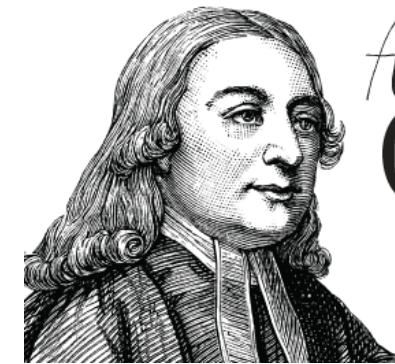
### Calendar January 3 to January 9, 2022

<u>Monday, January 3</u> 11:00 Care & Connect	<u>Saturday, January 8</u> private event all day fellowship hall
<u>Wednesday, January 5</u> 5:30 TOPS 6:00 Handbell Choir 7:00 Chancel Choir	<u>Sunday, January 9</u> 9:00 Sunday School 10:20 Worship <u>Greeters:</u> Ruth Folger & Margo Young <u>Reader:</u> Steve Wells; <u>Children's</u> <u>Church:</u> Vicki Maphis & Audrey Dorton <u>Counters:</u> Carolyn Carney, Gary Lantz
<u>Thursday, January 6</u> 8:30 TOPS	

### Scriptures for the Week January 2, 2022

Isa. 60:1-6; Ps. 72:1-7, 10-14; Eph. 3:1-12 Matt. 2:1-12

**Upcoming:** Jan. 12 - Worship & Wonder;  
Jan. 13 - Staff Mtg and Reach & Serve



# A Service of Covenant Renewal

## Wesley Covenant Service

10:20 a.m. Worship Service

January 2, 2022



Rev. Gary Heaton

Ring of the Bell	Sam Henshaw
Greeting /Announcements	Lay Leader
*Opening Hymn <i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i>	UMH 240
Lighting of Altar Candles	Sam Henshaw
*Call to Worship <b>The Apostles' Creed</b>	UMH 881
Scripture Lesson	Isaiah 60:1-6
Response to the Word	Judy Chapman
Offering & Children's Church	Chancel Choir
<b>Give Thanks</b>	
<i>Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; Let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us." Give thanks.</i>	
Prayers of the People	Rev. Heaton

**O God, Searcher of all our hearts,  
You have formed us as a people and claimed us for  
Your own. As we come to acknowledge Your  
sovereignty and grace, and to enter into a new covenant  
with You, reveal any reluctance or falsehood within us.  
Let your Spirit impress Your truth on our inmost being,  
and receive us in mercy, for the sake of our Mediator,  
Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You in the unity  
of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen**

\*Hymn of Preparation

	<i><b>O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing</b></i>	<b>UMH 57</b>
Sermon Text	Ephesians 1:3-14	Rev. Heaton
Sermon	<i>A New Year of Ministry</i>	Rev. Heaton

COVENANT SERVICE

INVITATION

Commit yourselves to Christ as His servants.  
Give yourselves to Him, that you may belong to Him.  
Christ has many services to be done.  
Some are more easy and honorable,  
    others are more difficult and disgraceful.  
Some are suitable to our inclinations and interests,  
    others are contrary to both.  
In some we may please Christ and please ourselves.  
But then there are other works where we cannot please  
    Christ except by denying ourselves.  
It is necessary, therefore,  
    that we consider what it means to be a servant of Christ.  
Let us, therefore, go to Christ, and pray:  
**Let me be Your servant, under Your command.  
I will no longer be my own.  
I will give up myself to Your will in all things.**  
Be satisfied that Christ shall give you your place and work.  
**Lord, make me what You will.  
I put myself fully into Your hands:  
    put me to doing, put me to suffering,  
    let me be employed for You, or laid aside for You,**

**let me be full, let me be empty,  
let me have all things, let me have nothing.  
I freely and with a willing heart  
give it all to Your pleasure and disposal.**  
Beloved, confirm this by a holy covenant.  
First, set apart some time, more than once,  
    to be spent alone before the Lord;  
    in seeking earnestly God's special assistance and  
        gracious acceptance of you;  
    in carefully thinking through all the conditions of the  
        covenant;  
    in searching your hearts whether you have already freely  
        given your life to Christ.  
Consider what your sins are.  
**I freely confess my sins and trust in God's grace alone.**  
Consider the laws of Christ, how holy, strict, and spiritual  
    they are, and whether you, after having carefully  
    considered them, are willing to choose them all.  
**I will, God as my helper.**  
Second, be serious and in a spirit of holy awe and  
    reverence.  
**I will, God as my helper.**  
Third, claim God's covenant,  
    rely upon God's promise of giving grace and strength,  
    so you can keep your promise.  
Trust not your own strength and power.  
**I will, God as my helper.**  
Fourth, resolve to be faithful.  
    You have given to the Lord your hearts,  
    you have opened your mouths to the Lord,  
    and you have dedicated yourself to God.  
    With God's power, never go back.  
**O God, You know that I make this covenant with You  
today without guile or reservation.  
If any falsehood should be in it, guide me and help me  
to set it aright.  
And now, glory be to You, O God the Father,  
    Whom I from this day forward shall look upon as my  
    God and Father.**

**Glory be to You, O God the Son,  
Who have loved me and washed me from my sins in  
Your own blood, and now is my Savior and Redeemer.  
Glory be to You, O God the Holy Spirit,  
Who by Your almighty power have turned my heart  
from sin to God.  
O mighty God, the Lord Omnipotent, Father, Son, and  
Holy Spirit,  
You have now become my Covenant Friend.  
And I, through Your infinite grace, have become Your  
covenant servant.  
So be it.**  
And let the covenant I have made on earth be ratified in  
    heaven.  
*(All) Amen.*

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	<i><b>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</b></i>	<b>UMH 384</b>
*The Benediction	Rev. Heaton	
*Choral Benediction	<i><b>Grace, Love, and Fellowship</b></i>	

**May the grace of Christ, our Savior, and the love of God,  
our Father, and the fellowship of the Spirit be with us.  
May the grace of Christ, our Savior, and the love of  
God, our Father, and the fellowship of the Spirit be with  
us forever, and ever, forever more. Amen.**

(\*Please stand as able)