Be faithful in prayer - Romans 12:12 NIV

Surgeries: Maria Castro (1/18)

Rehab: Lloyd Henry; Care Facilities: Consulate Health Care: 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: ČPÓ 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, CCAP

January 2, 2022: Brian Taylor (Charlie Donohoe's nephew); Alexis; Caleb; Sarah; Thomas Park; Emma; Mark & Virginia Wells; my parents; Emma; thanks for reminders of God's care; Cody; repentance and spiritual guidance for the world in 2022; Connie; Fred; family of Matt Madigan; Marie Cheshire; Charles Barr; June & Nate Windle; Mrs. Barnett; our military; our leaders everywhere; the Hesse family; Faye Shirley's family; Jeff Newlin; Gary Yost; Audrey Dorton; Wilsons; Jill's family; the Youmans; the Newcomes

<u>December 24 & 26</u>: 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 Gave 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

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 10 to January 16, 2022

Monday, January 10
11:00 Care & Connect
Tuesday, January 11
10:00 UMW
Wednesday, January 12
2:00 Worship & Wonder
5:30 TOPS
6:00 Handbell Choir

7:00 Chancel Choir

11:00 Staff
8:30 TOPS
7:00 Reach & Serve
Sunday, January 16
9:00 Sunday School
10:20 Worship
Greeters: Ruth Folger & Margo Young
Reader: Steve Wells; Children's
Church: Vicki Maphis & Audrey Dorton
Counters: Carolyn Carney, Gary Lantz

Thursday, January 13

Scriptures for the Week January 9, 2022

Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 29; Acts 8:14-17, Luke 3:15-17,21-22

Upcoming Events: Jan. 20 - Council

Baptism of Jesus



10:20 a.m. Worship Service

January 9, 2022



Rev. Gary Heaton

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Prelude

Sam Henshaw Ringing of the Bell Lay Leader

Greeting /Announcements

*Opening Hymn Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters **UMH 605**

Lighting of Altar Candles Sam Henshaw

*Call to Worship The Apostles' Creed **UMH 881**

Isaiah 43:1-7 Scripture Lesson Steve Wells

Response to the Word *In the Valley Flows a River*

Chancel Choir

Offering & Children's Church Give Thanks

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.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Heaton

Congregational Prayer

Rev. Heaton

Gracious God, this day we remember the baptism of Jesus and our own baptisms. We give thanks that You did not leave us to our own devices but that You came to us, showed Yourself to us, and enlisted us to be Your disciple. We also give thanks that throughout our life journeys You kept reaffirming and confirming our vocations to be disciples. Keep calling us, Lord. Continue to enlist us for Your work, giving us a part to play in Your gracious salvation of the world. Remembering our baptism, we are thankful. AMEN.

*Hymn of Preparation *There's a Voice in the Wilderness* Crving

"There's a Voice in the wilderness crying, a call from the ways untrod. Prepare in the desert a highway, a highway for our God. The valleys shall be exalted, the lofty hills brought low. Make straight all the crooked places where the Lord our God may go.

Sermon Text

Luke 3: 15-22

Rev. Heaton

Rev. Heaton Sermon "There's a Voice in the Wilderness Crying"

Pastoral Pray and Lord's Prayer

UMH 895

Baptism Renewal

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in His grace, and promise to serve Him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy Church and serve as Christ's representatives in the world? I will.

*Hymn

Baptized in Water

Insert

*The Benediction

Rev. Heaton

*Choral Benediction Grace, Love, and Fellowship

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.

Postlude

David Landrum

(*Please stand as able)

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465 Baptized in Water

