

**Kingston Springs United Methodist Church**

May 15, 2022

**Greeting and Announcements** Rev. Kelli Hamilton

**Prelude** Come and Fill Our Hearts (Confitemini Domino)  
Choir

**Introit** O Thou, in Whose Presence Choir

**Call to Worship** Jack Arnold

Jesus has given us a new commandment:

**We are commanded to love one another.**

Just as Christ has loved us,

**So we ought to have love for one another.**

By this, everyone will know we are Christ's disciples:

**By our love for one another.**

Come, may we join our hearts in worship:

**Worship God by loving one another.**

**Hymn** I Stand Amazed in the Presence UMH 371

I stand amazed in the presence  
of Jesus the Nazarene,  
and wonder how he could love me,  
a sinner, condemned, unclean.

Refrain:

How marvelous! How wonderful!  
And my song shall ever be:  
How marvelous! How wonderful  
is my Savior's love for me!

For me it was in the garden  
he prayed: "Not my will, but thine."  
He had no tears for his own griefs,  
but sweat-drops of blood for mine. (Refrain)

In pity angels beheld him,  
and came from the world of light  
to comfort him in the sorrows  
he bore for my soul that night. (Refrain)

He took my sins and my sorrows,  
he made them his very own;  
he bore the burden to Calvary,  
and suffered and died alone. (Refrain)

When with the ransomed in glory  
his face I at last shall see,  
'twill be my joy through the ages  
to sing of his love for me. (Refrain)

**Anthem** Whispered Prayers / Down to the River to Pray  
Jeff Jeffrey, Rheatta Petty, Stephan Dudash, David Wood

**Prayers of the People:** Joys and Concerns  
Leader: Lord, in your mercy, People: **Hear our prayers.**

**Scripture Reading** John 13:31-35 Jack Arnold

**Missional Giving**

Our FUEL offering provides snacks for children in need at  
Kingston Springs Elementary School.

**Children's Message** Rev. Kelli Hamilton

**Hymn** For the Beauty of the Earth (vv. 1, 2, 6) UMH 92

For the beauty of the earth,  
for the glory of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth  
over and around us lies;

Refrain: Lord of all, to thee we raise  
this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the beauty of each hour  
of the day and of the night,  
hill and vale, and tree and flower,  
sun and moon, and stars of light; (Refrain)

For thyself, best Gift Divine,  
to the world so freely given,  
for that great, great love of thine,  
peace on earth, and joy in heaven: (Refrain)

**Sermon** Known By Love Rev. Kelli Hamilton

**Offertory Prayer** Bob Sanders

**Offertory** I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me Choir

**Doxology** UMH 95

### Prayer of Confession

God of all people, our hearts are too narrow, our perspectives are too small. We reject those who are not like us—those with different political opinions, those who struggle with mental illness, those who disagree with us. We forget that all are your beloved children, and neglect your call to love one another. Forgive us, O God, for the many ways we have failed to be a people known by our love. Show us how to be more caring. Teach us how to love one another, and make us faithful disciples. Amen.

### Words of Assurance

We know who God is by the love shown to us in Christ Jesus. **We will show others who we are - and Whose we are - by the love poured out by our lives. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.**

**The Great Thanksgiving** UMH 15

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.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere... and so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ...

...as we proclaim the mystery of death:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here...

...all honor and glory is yours, now and forever. Amen

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

### Prayer after Receiving

**Hymn** I Love to Tell the Story UMH 156

I love to tell the story  
of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory,  
of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story,  
because I know 'tis true;  
it satisfies my longings  
as nothing else can do.

Refrain:

I love to tell the story,  
'twill be my theme in glory,  
to tell the old, old story  
of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story;  
more wonderful it seems  
than all the golden fancies  
of all our golden dreams.  
I love to tell the story,  
it did so much for me;  
and that is just the reason  
I tell it now to thee. [Refrain]

I love to tell the story;  
'tis pleasant to repeat  
what seems, each time I tell it,  
more wonderfully sweet.  
I love to tell the story,  
for some have never heard  
the message of salvation  
from God's own holy Word. [Refrain]

I love to tell the story,  
for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting  
to hear it like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory,  
I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story  
that I have loved so long. [Refrain]

### **Commission and Blessing**

Rev. Kelli Hamilton

**Benediction Song** Down to the River to Pray (*reprise*)  
Jeff Jeffrey, Rheatta Petty, Stephan Dudash, David Wood

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Call to Worship by Mindi Welton-Mitchell  
as posted on Rev-o-lution.

Offering Prayer & Prayer of Confession written by  
Mary Perina Boyd as posted on Ministry Matters.  
Words of Assurance written by Thom Shuman  
as posted on Lectionary Liturgies.

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### **Kingston Springs UMC Staff**

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **MAY 18: CHURCH COOK-OUT, 5:45p**

Join us for our last Wednesday night dinner before summer break.

### **MONTHLY GIVING**

Through April, it takes \$56,760 to run the church and its programs.

Through April, the church has received \$54,236 from all sources.

## **WEEKLY CALENDAR EVENTS**

### **SUNDAY**

Sunday School - 9:15a

Worship - 10:30a

### **WEDNESDAY**

Dinner: 5:45-6:30p. This Week's Menu - Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Bakes Beans, Potato Salad, Chips, Dessert. Text Vicki Sanders, 615-456-6962 by Friday with the number of adult & children's meals you will need for the following Wednesday.

Children's Music & More Class: 6:30-7:30p

Adult Bible Study: 6:30-7:30p

### **THURSDAY**

Choir Practice – 6:30p

### **AA COMFORT ZONE**

Meets in the Oak House on Sundays at 4p, Tuesdays at 7p, Wednesdays at 12p, Thursdays at 7p, Fridays 11:30a (Women's Group) and Saturdays at 10:30a.

*Prayer requests can be submitted online at [ksumc.org/prayer](http://ksumc.org/prayer) or given to Pastor Kelli.*

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