

WEEKLY CALENDAR EVENTS

SUNDAY Sunday School – 9:15 am
Worship – 10:30 am

WEDNESDAY Choir Practice – 6:30 pm

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

AI-Anon meets at the Oak Street house on Thursdays at 5:30 pm.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP FOR JUNE

Our tithes and offerings from all sources through June 30, 2023, were \$72,882.38, and expenses through June 30, 2023, were \$51,171.71.

Prayer requests can be submitted online at ksumc.org/prayer or given to the pastor. If you would like to receive the church's digital newsletter, email Dr. Angus at steven.angus@twkumc.org.

If you would like to serve as a Liturgist during our Sunday morning worship, please contact Karen Whiteaker at karen@agmark.com or 615-476-3029.

Today we celebrate the baptism of Russell Bryant Angus the son of Dr. Nathaniel and Rachel Angus.

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Kingston Springs United Methodist Church
Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Door
A Service of Word and Table
The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 6, 2023



Prelude Bruce Baxter, David Wood

Words of Welcome and Announcements Dr. Steven Angus

Introit *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord* Choir

***Call to Worship** [Based on Proverbs 1 & 15:31-32] Jack Arnold

Wisdom shouts her warnings in the street.

But we are constantly criticized.

Wisdom imparts holy knowledge to save us.

The words of others can sting. What says Wisdom?

If you listen to constructive criticism,

We will be at home among the wise.

If you reject discipline, you only harm yourself;

but if we listen to correction, we grow in understanding.

***Hymn** *I Come with Joy* UMH 617

1 I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.

2 I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,
the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread,
in Christ's communion bread.

3 As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends,
and strangers now are friends.

4 The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here,
alive among us here.

5 Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one,
the love that makes us one.

***Scripture Reading** Acts 11:1-4 [Pew 1711] Jack Arnold

Missional Giving

All children are invited to assist in collecting money for the FUEL offering,
which provides snacks for children at Kingston Springs Elementary School.

Children's Message and Blessing of Educators

Activity Bags are located on the pew to use during worship. When the
service is concluded, please return it to the front pew.

**Indicates please stand if able.*

*Greeters will provide a wheelchair for those who need one.
Restrooms are available behind the Sanctuary. Please exit through the left door by
the piano and take a right. The restrooms are at the end of the hallway.*

Our Joys and Concerns Dr. Angus
Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayers.**

The Pastoral Prayer

Anthem *Just a Little Talk with Jesus* Choir

Sermon ***"The Dos and Don'ts of Criticism"*** Dr. Angus

Responding to the Word The Gift of Love UMH 408

1 Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift of all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain,
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

2 Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be given by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.

3 Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship, and are freed.

Offertory Prayer Jack Arnold

Offertory *Boundless Love*
Jeff Jeffrey, David Wood, Bruce Baxter, GR Davis

***Doxology** UMH 95

The Lord's Supper

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.

Commission and Blessing Dr. Angus

Sending Forth Threefold Amen Choir