

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.

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

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP FOR JULY

Our tithes and offerings from all sources through July 31, 2023, were \$84,726.33, and expenses through July 31, 2023, were \$58,991.52.

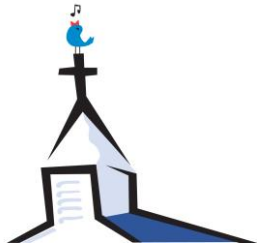
Prayer requests can be submitted online at ksumc.org/prayer or given to the pastor. If you would like to receive the church's digital newsletter, email Dr. Angus at steven.angus@twkumc.org.

MISSIONS

We are again collecting the Item of the Month donations for the Ark's food pantry. We ask that you put them in the back of the church in the container provided. The items for August is SOUP., however any unexpired food items can be donated. will be appreciated. Your support. of this community service is appreciated.

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.

Kingston Springs United Methodist Church
Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Door
A Service of Word and Table
The Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost
August 27, 2023



Prelude *Simple Gifts*
Stephan Dudash, David Wood, John Paul Daniel, Bruce Baxter

Words of Welcome and Announcements Dr. Steven Angus

Introit *In the Lord I'll Be Ever Faithful* Choir

***Call to Worship** Bob Sanders

Life can sometimes be very difficult.

We look around and wonder where God is.

In the midst of our trials and tribulations, God is with us.

God surrounds us with love and courage.

Come, let us praise God for God's abiding presence.

Lord, thank you for always being with us, even when we don't recognize your loving presence.

***Hymn** *He Leadeth Me* UMH 128

1 He leadeth me: O blessed thought!
O words with heavenly comfort fraught!
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain:
He leadeth me, he leadeth me;
by his own hand he leadeth me:
his faithful follower I would be,
for by his hand he leadeth me.

2 Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom,
sometimes where Eden's flowers bloom,
by waters calm, o'er troubled sea,
still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. Refrain

3 Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine,
nor ever murmur nor repine;
content, whatever lot I see,
since 'tis my God that leadeth me. Refrain

4 And when my task on earth is done,
when, by thy grace, the victory's won,
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee,
since God through Jordan leadeth me. Refrain

***Scripture Reading** Exodus 2:1-10 [Pew 89] Bob Sanders

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

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 *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)* Choir

Sermon Dr. Angus

Series: It's Back to School—A Lesson in Letting Go

Responding to the Word *O Thou, In Whose Presence* UMH 518

1 O Thou, in whose presence my soul takes delight,
on whom in affliction I call;
my comfort by day, and my song in the night,
my hope, my salvation, my all.

2 Where dost Thou, dear Shepherd, resort with Thy sheep,
to feed them in pastures of love?
Say, why in the valley of death should I weep,
or alone in this wilderness rove?

3 O why should I wander an alien from Thee,
or cry in the desert for bread?
Thy foes will rejoice, when my sorrows they see,
and smile at the tears I have shed.

4 He looks, and ten thousands of angels rejoice,
and myriads wait for His word;
He speaks and eternity, filled with His voice,
re-echoes the praise of the Lord.

5 Dear Shepherd! I hear, and will follow Thy call;
I know the sweet sound of Thy voice;
restore and defend me, for Thou art my All,
And in Thee I will ever rejoice.

Offertory Prayer Bob Sanders

Offertory *I Am a Pilgrim* John Paul Daniel
David Wood, Stephan Dudash, Bruce Baxter

***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

Amen

Choir, David Wood

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