#### **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 <a href="mailto:steven.angus@twkumc.org">steven.angus@twkumc.org</a>.

#### 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 SEPTEMBER is any flavor of jelly. However, any unexpired food items can be donated. 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 Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 3, 2023

Prelude Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore
John Paul Daniel, Stephan Dudash, David Wood, Bruce Baxter

**Words of Welcome and Announcements** 

Dr. Steven Angus

Introit In the Lord I'll Be Ever Faithful

Rheatta Petty, Choir

\*Call to Worship

**Bob Sanders** 

We gather as a community of compassion and hope.

Jesus calls us to care for each other tenderly and willingly.

By this caring and sharing we will be known as followers of Jesus.

By our example others may be led to lives of peace.

Lord, open our hearts and minds this day to your word.

Teach us to serve you with all our gifts and talents. Amen.

\*Hymn

We Gather Together

**UMH 131** 

- 1 We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; He chastens and hastens His will to make known; the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing. Sing praises to His name, He forgets not His own.
- 2 Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine; so from the beginning the fight we were winning: the Lord was at our side- the glory be Thine!
- 3 We all do extol Thee, Thou leader triumphant, and pray that Thou still our defender wilt be. Let Thy congregation escape tribulation; Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

\*Scripture Reading Exodus 2:11-21 [Pew 89] Acts 7:23-29 [Pew 1703] 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.

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.

### 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.

### **Our Joys and Concerns**

Dr. Angus

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayers**.

# **The Pastoral Prayer**

Anthem Come Out the Wilderness Choir

**Sermon** Dr. Angus

Series: It's Back to School— A Lesson from Faith's Great Teacher

**Responding to the Word** *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* UMH 452

1 My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine! Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away; O let me from this day be wholly Thine. 2 May Thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire; as Thou hast died for me, O may my love to Thee pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire.

3 While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread, be Thou my Guide; bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from Thee aside.

4 When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll, blest Savior, then in love, fear and distrust remove; O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul.

### Offertory Prayer

**Bob Sanders** 

### Offertory

John Paul Daniel, David Wood, Stephan Dudash, Bruce Baxter

\*Doxology UMH 95

# The Lord's Supper

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates please stand if able.

# 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

David Wood, Choir

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