

Kingston Springs United Methodist Church
Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Door
A Service of Word and Table
March 17, 2024
The Fifth Sunday in Lent



Band**

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Steven Angus

Introit

There's No One in This World Like Jesus

Choir

Opening Prayer*

[In Unison]

Vicki Sanders

Dear God, thank you for bringing us all here together again. We have learned so much about you through the words of your son, Jesus Christ, and we hunger for a deeper sense of you and your love for us. Be with us as we continue on this journey; help us to love one another and to use the gifts you gave us for the building up of your kingdom. In your name we pray. Amen.

Hymn*

Nothing But the Blood

UMH 362

1 What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Refrain:

O precious is the flow
that makes me white as snow;
no other fount I know;
nothing but the blood of Jesus.

2 For my pardon this I see:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
For my cleansing this my plea:
nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

3 Nothing can for sin atone:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Naught of good that I have done:
nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

4 This is all my hope and peace:
nothing but the blood of Jesus.
This is all my righteousness:
nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Refrain]

Scripture Reading*

John 15:1-11 [Pew Bible, 1676]

Vicki 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

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

Dr. Angus

The Pastoral Prayer

Anthem

Lamb of God

Choir

Sermon

Dr. Angus

Series: The God We Can Know—The I Ams of Jesus
Sermon: I AM the Vine, So Bloom and Grow

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

Vicki Sanders

Offertory

Change My Heart, O God

Jeff Jeffrey, Band**

Doxology*

UMH 95

The Invitation to the Lord's Supper

When we feel isolated, we can remember that Jesus said,
"I am the True Vine; abide in me."

When we feel powerless, we can find strength in remembering that
Jesus said,

"I am the True Vine; abide in me."

When we are tempted to try to go it alone, we can reach out to other
believers, remembering that Jesus said,

"I am the True Vine; abide in me."

One: When life becomes so busy that time with God seems impossible to
find, we can regain our focus by remembering that Jesus said,

All: "I am the True Vine; abide in me."

One: When we stress about the quality of the fruit we are or are not
producing, we can relax and trust the source of our life and growth, the
One who said,

"I am the True Vine; abide in me." Amen.

The Prayer of Consecration

Dr. Angus

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

David Wood, All

**Band

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

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WEEKLY CALENDAR EVENTS

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

WEDNESDAY Church Council – 6:30 pm
 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.