

Church Profile 2025

Harmony United Methodist Church
9455 Williamsport Pike
PO Box 1510
Falling Waters, WV 25419-1510

Berkely County Frederick District

Parsonage: **NO** Housing Allowance **\$22,477** Salary **\$55,000**
Number of worship services: **ONE**
Average Worship Attendance in person: **100** on-line: **120**
Number of appointed clergy: **ONE** Number of additional paid staff: **3**

What are the characteristics of the church and community?

The congregation has several active community outreach programs that provide support, not only for members who are aging or homebound, but also to other members of the community in need. An Evangelism Team calls, visits, and sends cards to those who do not attend regularly. Numerous members are part of the Volunteers in Mission team and Excite Ministry (for youth). Members and attendees are supportive of one another and are welcoming of visitors, while remaining nonjudgmental, exemplifying, "open doors, open hearts, open minds".

This mostly white congregation represents the wider community (92%), which is economically challenged. 58% of households are composed of husband and wife, with children. Average age in the community is around 42 years. The median household income of \$59,949 is slightly higher than average compared to the rest of the country. African Americans compose around 3% of the population.

What is the vision for the next 3-5 years?

- Build a robust children and youth ministry through increased youth activities and programs.
- Increase ministries for all age groups with socialization through casual gatherings.
- Increase programs for young families.
- Increase Sunday School attendance in all age groups.
- Be more visible in the community through outreach and ministry programs that address needs.
- To be inclusive and nonjudgmental, providing an open, warm and engaging environment.

What are the expectations of the pastor?

1. Good preacher/teacher 2. Personable, good listener. 3. Open to new ideas. 4. Community minded. 5. Likes to visit people in hospital and homebound 6. Committed to serving Harmony's community needs.