

Welcome to NEUMC!

We're glad you're here! Thank You for joining us today!

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

Fourth Sunday of Easter

SONG, 3088 "Easter Alleluia" **Processional** Verses I. 2. 4 & 6

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE, 128

"He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought"

Verses 1&3

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

"Lamb's Corner"

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Psalm 23 & 1 Peter 2:19-25

"Sanctuary" Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary

Pure and holy tried and true With thanksgiving I'll be a living Sanctuary for You

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SERMON AND INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Pastor Antoinette

Sing Twice

"Rising from Judgement" Acts 9:1-27

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"Thank You Jesus for the Blood"

Verse I

I was a wretch I remember who I was I was lost I was blind I was running out of time Sin separated the breach was far too wide But from the far side of the chasm. You had me in Your sight

Verse 2

So You made a way across the great divide Left behind Heaven's throne to build it here inside There at the cross You paid the debt I owed Broke my chains freed my soul For the first time I had hope

Chorus

Thank You Jesus for the blood applied Thank You Jesus it has washed me white Thank You Jesus You have saved my life Brought me from the darkness into glorious light

Verse 3

You took my place laid inside my tomb of sin You were buried for three days But then You walked right out again And now death has no sting and life has no end For I have been transformed by the blood of the Lamb

"Sanctuary" by John W. Thompson & Randy Scruggs

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Bridge

There is nothing stronger Than (Oh) the wonder working power Of the blood the blood That calls us sons and daughters We are ransomed by our Father Through the blood the blood

Ending

Glory to His name Glory to His Name There to my heart was the blood applied Glory to His name

"Thank You Jesus for the Blood" by Bryan McCleery, Charity Gayle, David Gentiles, Elisha Albright Hoffman, John Hart Stockton, Ryan Kennedy, Steven Musso

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CALL FOR OFFERING OFFERING

There are 4 ways to give. See back of bulletin.

*DOXOLOGY, 95

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

HOLY COMMUNION

Wine and grape juice are used for communion. The chalices have wine. Grape juice and gluten free bread are available in the center.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners, that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over, he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:

"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy church,

all honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever. Amen.

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*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

*SONG "Goodness of God" Recessional

Verse I

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus

All my life You have been faithful All my life You have been so so good With every breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God

Verse 2 I love Your voice

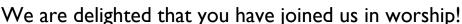
You have led me through the fire In darkest night
You are close like no other I've known You as a father I've known You as a friend I have lived in the goodness of God

Bridge

Your goodness is running after It's running after me
Your goodness is running after It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after It's running after me

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* Please stand as you are able.



We hope your experience at NEUMC was enjoyable and encouraging.

Please join us for *Cookie Time* fellowship following the service.



Rising from Judgement

Acts 9:1-22

I Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest 2 and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem. 3 As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. 4 He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" 5 "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting," he replied. 6 "Now get up and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do." 7 The men traveling with Saul stood there speechless; they heard the sound but did not see anyone. 8 Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he could see nothing. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. 9 For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything. 10 In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!" "Yes, Lord," he answered. II The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. 12 In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight." 13 "Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your holy people in Jerusalem. 14 And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name." 15 But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. 16 I will show him how much he must suffer for my name." 17 Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." 18 Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, 19 and after taking some food, he regained his strength. Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus. 20 At once he began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God. 21 All those who heard him were astonished and asked, "Isn't he the man who raised havoc in Jerusalem among those who call on this name? And hasn't he come here to take them as prisoners to the chief priests?" 22 Yet Saul grew more and more powerful and baffled the lews living in Damascus by proving that lesus is the Messiah.

Lectionary
Devotional Readings
for the week of April 29

Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 23

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I Peter 2:19-25

John 10:1-10

Graduate Sunday

On Sunday, May 21, we will recognize and celebrate our high school, college, and doctorate graduates. If you have someone graduating from high school or college this year, please send the following information to northeast@neumc.com no later than Sunday, May 14, 2023:

- Student's full name
- School graduating from
- Plans after graduation (college, major, military, job)
- Achievement (ex. Bachelor of Arts)
- 2-3 photos for a slide presentation

Backpack Food Program Sunday, May 7, 2023

NEUMC continues to support Sandlapper Elementary School through the Richland Two Backpack Program. The goal is to decrease weekends without adequate nourishment by providing additional foods as a supplement for families. Food items will be collected the first Sunday of each month. A collection box is located in the narthex for the items. The congregation is invited to stay after church next Sunday to help assemble the bags and pray for the children receiving them. To view a list of suggested menu items, please visit our website at neumc.com.



MINISTRY AND PRAYER NEEDS

- **Tracie Glumm,** childhood friend of Nikki Shaffner, who was recently diagnosed with phase 2 brain cancer.
- Jane Scott & family, upon the death of her brother, John.
- Leslie, friend of Melissa & Ira Sansolo, whose wife, Kathy, took her life last Saturday.
- Kathy Danzer, Lorie Beth's sister, who is in the hospital.
- Cathy Cope, great niece of Gil Johnson, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.
- **Rick Janes,** friend of Kathy Madison, who is on the waiting list for a kidney transplant.
- Owen Markham, grandson of Larry & Dianne Markham, hospitalized in Colorado from a skiing accident.
- **Charlie Henry,** for continued strength and recovery.
- Barb & Ed Zuraw, Nikki Shaffner's aunt and uncle, who have had several health challenges recently.
- Gil Johnson, who has a pancreatic stone.
- Mattia Hilmer, who is experiencing cardiovascular issues and pray for her overall health.
- Anita Cook, Mike Cook's mother, who needs prayer.
- Larry Markham, for continued strength and recovery.
 Mother of Lori Beth Wissler, who has had three heart attacks.
- Johnathan Moss, for continued strength and recovery.
- John Lockard, for continued strength and recovery.
- Ernst Cousin, brother of Fred Cousin, for continued strength and recovery.
- Our military and first responders.
- Our missionaries:

Tom & Emma Henry: Appalachian Mountain Leadership Matt & Jenny Williams: Athletes in Action Cru Steve & Stephanie Bredesen: Nakalanda, Uganda

Ben & Jenny Reyes

HOMEBOUND AND ELDERLY

We are a family. As such we encourage anyone who feels led by God to visit those who are sick or homebound. We also encourage your visits to those who are new to this family of believers and to those whom or that have visited.

Lee Chandler George Eberhardt Sandra Miller Donna Synder Sabra Stewart

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry Team create shawls and other items for you to share with those who need encouragement. When you give a shawl away, you are sharing the love and prayers of NEUMC. The prayer shawls are kept in the Prayer Center if one is needed. Please remember to sign the journal. If you need assistance, please see a staff member. Prayer Shawl Ministry Team

PRAYER REQUEST

þro	urge, then, first of all, that petitions, ayers, intercession and thanksgiving be ade for all people.
	I Timothy 2:1
	ease write your request(s) here and ace this card in the offering plate.
	Pastor Only
	Prayer Chain

Bulletin

I would like someone to contact me

to pray over a more confidential matter.



Want to receive our emails or update your mailing choices? Please take a moment to fill out this form with your choices. Place the form in the offering plate or turn it in at the Church Office.

(NAME)

(EMAIL ADDRESS)

EMAILS

- ☐ Prayer Concerns (these go out as needs arise - several each week)
- General information and appeals from NEUMC (a few each month)
- Sunday Bulletin

ACOLYTE

Youth

COMMUNION PREPARER TODAY

Elizabeth Chamblee

COMMUNION PREPARER NEXT WEEK

Elizabeth Chamblee

COMMUNION SERVERS TODAY

Dan & Gaye Christmus & C.I. Miro

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Walker Miro, Weston Cheatham & Elizabeth Chamblee

SCRIPTURE READER TODAY

Bob Shaffner

SCRIPTURE READER NEXT WEEK

Karen Evans

PRAYER ROOM TODAY

Charlie Henry

PRAYER ROOM NEXT WEEK

Jane Scott

There are 4 ways to give:

- (1) as offering is collect
- (2) mail a check to the church
- (3) setup recurring giving online: neumc.com/give
- (4) use the QR Code to give online

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