



10:00 Worship Service

April 5, 2026



Welcome to NEUMC!

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

Our Mission is to Know Jesus and Make Him Known

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

Easter Sunday

*HYMN, 302

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”
Verses 1-4

Processional

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

“Goodness of God”

Verse 1

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

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

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

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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CHILDREN’S MOMENT

“Lamb’s Corner”

Children Singing

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Psalms 118:14-24
Colossians 3:1-4

SONG

“Sanctuary”

Sing Twice

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

"Spread the Word"

John 20:11-18

***THE APOSTLES' CREED, TRADITIONAL VERSION, 881**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *Universal

SERVICE OF BAPTISM AND NEW MEMBERS CEREMONY

See Insert

Rachel Cox, James Pfeffer, Tammy Farber, Mike & Kathy Gilliland

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERING

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

***DOXOLOGY, 95**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION

Wine and grape juice are used for communion. The chalices have wine.

Grape juice is available in the center. Gluten free bread is used for communion.

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.

THE PEACE

Sharing "peace" with one another is an ancient Christian tradition rooted in the teachings of Jesus and practices of the Christian community. It also serves as a way for members to reconcile before receiving Holy Communion. Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love. God's peace be with you.

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, 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

*HYMN, 303

"The Day of Resurrection"
Verses 1-3

POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able.



We are delighted that you have joined us in worship!
We hope your experience at NEUMC was enjoyable and encouraging.
Please join us for *Cookie Time* fellowship following the service.



"Impact Tomorrow Today" Campaign Update — Mortgage Paid in Full!

On this Easter Sunday, we celebrate that **our campaign goal has been reached, and our mortgage is paid in full!** What began as a quiet season of prayer and faithful giving has grown into a remarkable effort — a testament to what God can accomplish through us and our united community of faith. Just as Easter reminds us that new life emerges from sacrifice, your generosity has freed our church to step boldly into the next chapter of ministry and service in Northeast Columbia.

To every member and friend who made a gift or pledge to this campaign: **thank you.** Your faithfulness will be seen and felt for generations to come. As we stamp "paid in full" across our mortgage note, we look ahead with excitement and gratitude — ready to respond with agility to whatever God calls us to next. We will share more details about how we will celebrate this milestone in the weeks ahead. *"One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts."* (Psalm 145:4)

Sandlapper
Elementary School Food Program
April 12

BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAM

View list of items

Place order on Amazon

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 are collected the first Sunday of each month. A collection box is located in the narthex for the items or place an order online. 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.

United Women in Faith

April 12, 2026
11:30 AM
Room 102

An invitation is extended to the women of the church.



Join Our Mailing List!
Want to receive the church emails?
Please scan the QR code to sign up.

MINISTRY AND PRAYER NEEDS

Prayer request cards are located in the card holders on the back of the chairs.

- **Luca Pizzello and his family.** Baby Luca has been diagnosed with cerebral palsy. The family needs lots of prayer as they navigate his care and development.
- **Larry Markham**, who is at Wildwood Downs.
- **Carol Rytlewski**, Nikki Shaffner's mother, for continued healing from her accident.
- **Dallas Petty**, recovering from the flu and has cancer.
- **Chris & Kara Bishop.** Chris has been diagnosed with frontotemporal dementia.
- **Kathy, Lori Beth Wissler's sister**, who is experiencing medical issues.
- **Betty McCall**, Sylvia Cousin's aunt, who has heart problems.
- **Wanda Chandler**, Bianca Brazell's mother, for continued recovery following her chemotherapy treatment.
- **Marion Crowell**, Stephen Crowell's mother, who experienced complications from her pacemaker lead.
- **Doug Miro**, Ryon Miro's father, recovering from a stroke.
- **Tammie Sloop, Brooks Shealy & Mattia Hilmer** for their overall health.
- **Liz Hetzler**, Forrest Horn's sister, who is suffering with dementia.
- **Those going through cancer treatment: John Lockard & Mark Grace**
- **Our military and first responders.**
- **Our missionaries:**
 - Matt & Jenny Williams:** Athletes in Action Cru
 - Steve & Stephanie Bredesen:** Nakalanda, Uganda
 - Ben & Jenny Reyes**

HOMEBOUND AND ELDERLY

We are a family and we encourage anyone who feels led by God to visit those who are sick or homebound. Following are our homebound: Sandra Miller and Gil Johnson

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. Prayer Shawl Ministry Team

ACOLYTE

Youth

TODAY	NEXT WEEK
LAY LEADER	LAY LEADER
Jane Scott	Larry Griner
COMMUNION PREPARER	COMMUNION PREPARER
Elizabeth Chamblee	Dianne Markham
COMMUNION SERVERS	COMMUNION SERVERS
Dan & Gaye Christmus & Elizabeth Chamblee	Charlie & Ann Henry & Dianne Markham
SCRIPTURE READER	SCRIPTURE READER
Charlie Henry	Crystal Miller
DESIGNATED FRIENDS	DESIGNATED FRIENDS
Charlie & Ann Henry	Dianne Markham & Mary Anne Lockard
GREETERS	GREETERS
Charlie & Ann Henry	Dave & Pat Christiansen
PRAYER WARRIOR	PRAYER WARRIOR
Tammie Sloop	Dianne Markham
OFFERING COUNTERS	OFFERING COUNTERS
Tom DeCristofaro & George Evans	Bill Hoesly & Buck Brazell

There are 4 ways to give:

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

Scan to Give Online



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OFFICE HOURS

8:30 AM - 4:00 PM: MONDAY - FRIDAY

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

I present *James Pfeffer* for baptism and membership.

I present *Rachel Cox* for membership

I present *Tammy Farber* for membership

I present *Mike Gilliland* for membership

And I present *Kathy Gilliland* for membership

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you: Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy church and serve as Christ's representative in the world?

I will.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

With God's help, we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ.

We will surround these persons with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others.

We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The pastor addresses the congregation:

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Let us pray. Eternal Father:

When nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light.

In the days of Noah you saved those on the ark through water.

After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow.

When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea.

Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's mercy each day.

In the fullness of time, you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb. He was baptized by John and anointed by your Spirit. He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

Declare Christ's works to the nations, his glory among all the people.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and those who receive it, to wash away their sin and clothe them in righteousness throughout their lives, that, dying and being raised with Christ, they may share in his final victory.

All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns forever. Amen.

BAPTISM WITH LAYING OF HANDS

The baptismal candidate is invited to kneel on the prayer bench.

Name, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

The congregation responds:

Amen.

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ.

The congregation responds:

Amen.

Now it is our joy to welcome our new brother in Christ.

The congregation responds:

Through baptism, you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus.

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you as a member of the family of Christ.

The baptized person stands and the prospective members are invited forward again. They will face the congregation.

RECEPTION INTO THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The pastor addresses the candidate(s):

As members of Christ's universal church, will you be loyal to the United Methodist Church, and do all in your power to strengthen its ministries?

I will.

RECEPTION INTO THE LOCAL CONGREGATION

As members of this congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness?

I will.

Certificate of baptism, membership, and gifts are presented to the baptized and new member(s).

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

PASTOR ANTOINETTE addresses the congregation:

Members of the household of God,

I commend these persons to your love and care.

Do all in your power to increase their faith,

confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

The congregation responds:

We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

Easter Lilies



In Memory of

Myrtle O'Rourke

Dan & Verdie Christmus
(Dan's Parents)

Bill & Norma Groover
(Gaye's Parents)

Bernice Plunkett

Gerald & Nancy Howarth
Helen Cox

Joyce & Glenn Harling
Lu Lackore

Vivienne & Tom Hambrick
Hazel & Clair Lockard

Sam Luckey

Patty Munn

In Honor of

Germaine Augustin

Our Family

Joyce Sawyer

Our Children & Grandchildren

Our Children

John, Cindy, Laura & Traci

Given by

Chastity Cherubin

Dan & Gaye Christmus

Sylvia Cousin

Rachel Cox

Debbo Lackore

John & Mary Anne Lockard

Gail Luckey

Michael Munn

Given by

Chastity Cherubin

John & Mary Anne Lockard

Debbo Lackore

Jane & Duane Scott

Don & Janice Starner