



10:00 Worship Service

August 23, 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

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

***HYMN, 127**

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”
Verses 1-3

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, 419**

“I Am Thine, O Lord”
Verses 1-3

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

“Lamb’s Corner”

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Psalm 124
Matthew 16:13-20

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

“Leaning In with Our Whole Selves”
Romans 12:1-8

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.

CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

*HYMN

Verse 1

Are you past the point of weary
Is your burden weighing heavy
Is it all too much to carry
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
Do you feel that empty feeling
'Cause shame's done all its stealing
And you're desperate for some healing
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus

Chorus

He makes a way where there ain't no way
Rises up from an empty grave
Ain't no sinner that He can't save
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
His love is strong and His grace is free
And the good news is I know that He
Can do for you what He's done for me
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
And let my Jesus change your life

Interlude 1

Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah
Amen amen (amen)

POSTLUDE

“My Jesus”

Verse 2

Who can wipe away the tears
From broken dreams and wasted years
And tell the past to disappear
Oh and let me tell you 'bout my Jesus
And all the wrong turns that you would
Go and undo if you could
Who can work it all for your good
Let me tell you about my Jesus

Verse 3

Who would take my cross to Calvary
Pay the price for all my guilty
Who would care that much about me
Let me tell you 'bout my Jesus oh

Interlude 2

Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah
Amen amen
Hallelujah Hallelujah Hallelujah
Let my Jesus change your life

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* 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.

Sermon NOTES



“Leaning In with Our Whole Selves”

Romans 12:1-8

1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, on the basis of God’s mercy, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your reasonable act of worship.

2 Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

3 For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned.

4 For as in one body we have many members and not all the members have the same function,

5 so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another.

6 We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith;

7 ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching;

8 the encourager, in encouragement; the giver, in sincerity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

Lectionary Devotional Reading for the week of August 23

Exodus 3:8-2:10

Psalm 124

Romans 12:1-8

Matthew 16:13-20

A logo for the Backpack Food Program featuring a backpack filled with various food items like a sandwich, a bottle, and a can. Below the backpack is a banner with the text "BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAM" and icons of a smiley face, a globe, and an apple.

Sandlapper
Elementary School Food Program
September 6



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Join Pastor Antoinette and other members of our congregation as they lead a morning devotion and prayer each Wednesday morning. Please encourage friends, family, and others in our community to join this time of devotion and prayer.

Time: 6:00 AM (duration 15-20 minutes)

Dial-in Number: (605) 313-5873

Access Code: 2888884#

Please note, the dial-in number is a conference call line designated for our time of prayer. After August 26 the Upper Room is taking a short break and will resume at a later date. We love starting our Wednesdays with you and look forward to gathering again soon every Wednesday at 6:00 AM! Stay tuned for updates on our return.



Fresh Food Event Upcoming Date

Mark Your Calendars: Next Event Coming Up! The Outreach/Witness Committee will host our next Fresh Food distribution on Saturday, August 29, from 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM.

How You Can Help:

Pray: Please join us in praying for the success of this event—that we will have an abundance of food to share and that we will reach our neighbors with the love of Christ.

Donate & Volunteer: We will once again be asking our congregation to help by donating food or coming to serve during the event.

If you have any questions or would like to learn how to get involved, please reach out to Gaye Christmus or Jane DeCristofaro.

Let's learn and
grow together!

Sunday
SCHOOL

TIME: 9:00 AM

Overcomers (Room 212) - Living Into God's Promises

Pairs & Spares (Room 214) - Phillippians

Iron Sharpens Iron (Room 208) - The Ten Commandments

Older Kids & Youth (Room 213) - Lessons in the Bible

Preschool & Young Kids (Room 206) - Lessons in the Bible



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.

- **Kathy Gilliland**, following kidney stone surgery last Tuesday, she experienced complications that led to three Emergency Room visits and a second surgery.
- **Kim Scott**, sister of Jim Smyrl, diagnosed with stage four cancer.
- **Glenn "Bud" Harling (brother of Debbo Lackore) and his partner, Vicki Steele.** Vicki is grieving the recent loss of her brother in January and navigating ongoing health challenges with multiple sclerosis. Please pray for comfort, physical strength, and peace for both Glenn and Vicki as they both battle depression.
- **Curtis Jackson and family**, upon the death of his wife, Sharon. Curtis is the choir director at Rehoboth Baptist Church.
- **Laurie**, friend of Elizabeth Chamblee, diagnosed with a brain tumor.
- **Herb Hilmer and family**, upon the death of his wife, Mattia.
- **Tammie Sloop**, who is at PruittHealth-Columbia
- **Gil Johnson**, for continued healing and strength.
- **Jimmy Smyrl**, Jim Smyrl's father, at Lexington Medical Center with a brain bleed.
- **Larry Markham**, for continued strength.
- **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.
- **Marion Crowell**, Stephen Crowell's mother, for her overall health.
- **Tammie Sloop & Brooks Shealy** 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

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

LAY LEADER

Stephen Crowell

COMMUNION PREPARER

Tina Lipscomb

COMMUNION SERVERS

Tina Lipscomb, Nikki Shaffner & Lenna Crentsil

SCRIPTURE READER

Walker Rosier

DESIGNATED FRIENDS

Heather Cook & Pat Hoesly

GREETERS

Forrest & Diane Horn

PRAYER WARRIOR

Dan Christmus

OFFERING COUNTERS

Duane Scott & Mary Mason

NEXT WEEK

LAY LEADER

Jane Scott

COMMUNION PREPARER

Karen Evans

COMMUNION SERVERS

Dan & Gaye Christmus & Karen Evans

SCRIPTURE READER

Harry Berry

DESIGNATED FRIENDS

Forrest & Diane Horn

GREETERS

George Evans & Elizabeth Chamblee

PRAYER WARRIOR

Tammie Sloop

OFFERING COUNTERS

Jane DeCristofaro & Dan Christmus

THE UPPER ROOM

AUGUST 26

Charlie Henry

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

Congregational Listening Session & Potluck

Sunday, August 30

Immediately Following 10:00 AM Worship

Seeking God's Vision Together

As a United Methodist congregation, we believe God is continually calling the Church into faithful ministry.

Vision 2030 is our shared journey of prayer, discernment, and listening as we seek God's direction for the future of Northeast United Methodist Church (NEUMC).

Our Mission: *To Know Jesus and Make Him Known*

How We're Discerning God's Vision

- **Church Council Discernment (Completed):** Five "holy hopes" have recently emerged.
- **Congregational Listening:** Gathering as a church body to listen, discuss, and dream.
- **Inclusive Input:** Ensuring every voice is heard, including our youth, children, and homebound members.
- **Focused Prayer:** Reflecting on the "bold holy hopes" God is stirring in our community.

Your Voice Matters

Your voice is a vital part of our shared discernment. Together, we will seek God's vision for NEUMC as we continue making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Everyone is welcome. Come pray, listen, share, enjoy a meal, and help discern where God is leading us next!