



December 15, 2024

10:00 Worship Service

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

Third Sunday of Advent

HYMN, 213

*“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates”
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.

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING LITANY

Reader 1 (Dan Christmus): No matter what troubles overwhelm us today, Isaiah reminds us that in all of our preparation and passionate pursuit of God’s coming kingdom, we must not forget that God’s salvation has come and is coming. “With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation” (Isaiah 12:3). With joy you will remember that God’s salvation is already present among us.

Congregation: Faced with the troubles and the suffering of the world, we choose to live in joyful presence to God and one another. We will not turn away from the pain and the hurt in our world, and we will not stop rejoicing in God, whose salvation fills us to overflowing that God’s love might flow through us and flood our troubled world with hope, peace, and joy.

Reader 2 (Gaye Christmus): We light this candle of joy as a sign of our commitment to be present to ourselves, our friends, our families, and our neighbors that in sharing our vulnerable lives we might share in the glorious joy of God’s salvation together.

Light three candles of the Advent wreath (Include the pink or rose candle).

***HYMN OF PRAISE, 196**

*“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”
Verses 1 & 2*

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

“Lamb’s Corner”

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Zephaniah 3:14-20
Philippians 4:4-7

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

*“Boundless Peace”
Philippians 4:4-7*

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 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.

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. Please extend peace to those closest to 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

"King of Kings"

Verse 1

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Chorus

Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings

Verse 2

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

POSTLUDE

Verse 3

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

Verse 4

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

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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.



CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

TODAY | 11:15 AM | ROOM 102

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE THE LONGEST NIGHT

THURSDAY
DECEMBER 19
6:00 PM

END OF YEAR *Giving*

Donate before December 31 to count
towards your 2024 giving tax deductions.



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.

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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

TODAY	NEXT WEEK
LAY LEADER Stephen Crowell	LAY LEADER Jane Scott
COMMUNION PREPARER Karen Evans	COMMUNION PREPARER Elizabeth Chamblee
COMMUNION SERVERS Charlie & Ann Henry & Karen Evans	COMMUNION SERVERS Elizabeth Chamblee, Jennifer Wargel & Debbo Lackore
SCRIPTURE READER Bob Shaffner	SCRIPTURE READER Felix Ehuren
DESIGNATED FRIENDS Heather Cook & Pat Hoesly	DESIGNATED FRIENDS Jane Scott & Debbie Hoesly
GREETERS Charlie & Ann Henry	GREETERS Don & Janice Starner
PRAYER WARRIOR Dianne Markham	PRAYER WARRIOR Gil Johnson
OFFERING COUNTERS Jane DeCristofaro & Charlie Henry	OFFERING COUNTERS Pat Hoesly & George Evans

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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



Poinsettias

In Memory of

Myrtle O'Rourke

Verdie Christmus (Dan's Mother)

Norma Groover (Gaye's Mother)

Bernice Plunkett

Grace Bushell (In-Law)

My Uncle

Gilbert & Janet Hafner (Parents)

James L. Broyan

Sam & Ruth Williford (Ann's Parents)

Charles & Gene Henry (Charlie's Parents)

Vivienne & Tom Hambrick

Clair & Hazel Lockard

Glenn & Joyce Harling

Sam Luckey

Theresa Mason

Willie Mae Dancy

Jeanne Miro (Ryon's Mother)

Patty Munn

Given by

Chastity Cherubin

Dan & Gaye Christmus

Fred & Sylvia Cousin

Felix Ehuren

Greg & Melanie Hafner

Charlie & Ann Henry

John & Mary Anne Lockard

Debbo Lackore

Gail Luckey

Mary Mason

Ryon & Kristen Miro

Michael Munn



Poinsettias

In Memory of

Glenn Sawyer

Our Parents

Eric (Son)

James & May Nell Wheeler

Martha Ann Wheeler

Nancy Wheeler

In Honor of

Amelia Jane

(New First Great Grandchild)

Our Granddaughters &
Great Grandson

My wife, children, father,
mother, siblings, Pastor
Antoinette, lovely church
members and friends.

Larry Griner (Husband)

Joyce Sawyer

Sylvia Cousin

Melissa Sansolo

Our Grandchildren

Our Children & Grandchildren

Given by

Joyce Sawyer

Don & Janice Starner

Jimmy Wheeler

Given by

Kay Burgess

Dave & Pat Christiansen

Felix Ehuren

Danna Griner

Debbo Lackore

Mary Mason

Sylvia Cousin

Duane & Jane Scott

Don & Janice Starner