

December 29, 2024

10:00 Worship Service

Welcome to NEUMC!

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

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

First Sunday after Christmas Day

HYMN, 234 "O Come, All Ye Faithful" 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, 238

"Angels We Have Heard on High" Verses 1-3

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

"Lamb's Corner"

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Psalm 148 Colossians 3:12-17

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 Life" Colossians 3:12-17

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, 246

"Joy to the World"

Verses 1-4

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.



Boundless Life

Colossians 3:12-17

- 12 Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.
- 13 Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.
- 14 And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.
- 15 Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.
- 16 Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.
- 17 And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Lectionary Devotional Readings for the week of December 29

1 Samuel 2:18-20 Psalm 148 Colossians 3:12-17 Luke 2:41-52

Happy NEW YEAR

You crown the year with Your goodness, And Your paths drip with abundance.

PSALM 65:11

The Church Office will be closed on Tuesday, December 31 and Wednesday, January 1, 2025 for New Year's.

END OF YEAR

Giving

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

Contributions will continue to be accepted for 2024 through December 31. To receive credit for your 2024 donations they need to be turned in on or before this date. Any contributions received after December 31 will be posted to your 2025 giving statement. Annual statements will be sent by email to the email address that is listed in the church database around the third week of January 2025. Please make sure your email address is up-to-date. Members without e-mail addresses will have their statements mailed. Any questions, please contact Dale Purvis, Financial Secretary at the Church Office.

Let's learn and grow together!



Overcomers (Room 212): The Parables of Jesus

Pairs & Spares (Room 214): The Grace of God by Andy Stanley

Iron Sharpens Iron (Room 208): Reading & Discussing the

Old Testament

Older Kids & Youth (Room 213): Lessons in the Bible Preschool & Young Kids (Room 206)

MINISTRY AND PRAYER NEEDS

- Kathy, Lorie Beth Wissler's sister, with back and hip problems.
- Robbie, Lorie Beth Wissler's nephew, for employment.
- Jane Scott, recovering from surgery.
- Liz Hetzler, Forrest Horn's sister, who is suffering with dementia.
- Gary Hartman, recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- **Gil Johnson,** for overall health.
- Ira & Melissa Sansolo, as they navigate his new health challenges.
- Joyce Noga, for improved health after a medical procedure to help control her diabetes.
- Faye Ellrott, who is recovering at home following a car accident.
- Marion Crowell, Stephen Crowell's mother, for continued strength and recovery.

Those going through cancer treatment: John Lockard,

- Tracie Glumm, Mark Seeley, Julie Smith, Lee Safley, Elizabeth Hebert, Mac Kinnett, Jim Wheeler & John Phillips
- Mattia Hilmer, pray for her overall health.
- Larry Markham & Owen Markham (grandson of Larry & Dianne), for continued strength and recovery.
- **Ernst Cousin,** brother of Fred Cousin, for continued strength and recovery.
- 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:

George Eberhardt Sandra Miller 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. Prayer Shawl Ministry Team

PRAYER REQUEST I urge, then, first of all, that petitions,

prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people. I Timothy 2:1 Please write your request(s) here and place this card in the offering plate.

 	 	

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Pastor Only	
Prayer Chain	

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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

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TODAY

LAY LEADER

Nikki Shaffner

COMMUNION PREPARER

Danna Griner

COMMUNION SERVERS

Larry & Danna Griner & Melanie Hafner

SCRIPTURE READER

Charlie Henry

DESIGNATED FRIENDS

Melanie Hafner & Jane DeCristofaro

GREETERS

Dave & Pat Christiansen

PRAYER WARRIOR

Ann Henry

OFFERING COUNTERS

Tom DeCristofaro & Larry Griner

NEXT WEEK

LAY LEADER

TBD

COMMUNION PREPARER

Dianne Markham

COMMUNION SERVERS

Dianne Markham, Sharon Shealy & Ira Sansolo

SCRIPTURE READER

Weston Cheatham

DESIGNATED FRIENDS

Charlie & Ann Henry

GREETERS

Danna Griner & Elizabeth Chamblee

PRAYER WARRIOR

Charlie Henry

OFFERING COUNTERS

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