

February 12, 2023

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

Sixth Sunday After the Epiphany

SONG "In Christ Alone" Acolyte Enters

Verse I

In Christ alone my hope is found He is my light my strength my song This Cornerstone this solid Ground Firm through the fiercest drought and storm What heights of love what depths of peace When fears are stilled when strivings cease My Comforter my All in All Here in the love of Christ I stand

Verse 2

In Christ alone who took on flesh Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay Light of the world by darkness slain Then bursting forth in glorious Day Up from the grave He rose again And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ

Verse 4

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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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, 547

"O Church of God, United"

Verses I, 2 & 4

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

"Lamb's Corner"

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 & I Corinthians 3:1-9

SONG

"Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary"

Sing Twice

SERMON AND INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Pastor Antoinette

"The Gift of Outrageous Grace"
Matthew 5:21-36

RECOGNITION OF LEADERS

See Insert

HYMN, 601 "Thy Word Is a Lamp"

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, 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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*SONG

"Amazing Grace" (My Chains Are Gone)

Acolyte

Verse I

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me I once was lost but now I'm found Was blind but now I see

Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed

Verse 3

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

Verse 4

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow The sun forbear to shine But God who called me here below Will be forever mine Will be forever mine You are forever mine

Chorus

My chains are gone I've been set free My God my Savior has ransomed me And like a flood His mercy rains Unending love amazing grace

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*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

* 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.







Matthew 5:21-36 21 "You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, You shall not murder, [and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.' 22 But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, 'Raca,' is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell. 23 "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, 24 leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift. 25 "Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. 26 Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny. 27 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' 28 But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. 29 If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. 30 And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell. 31 "It has been said, 'Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.' 32 But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery. 33 "Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.' 34 But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne; 35 or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great

Lectionary Devotional Readings for the week of February 12

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

one hair white or black.

King. 36 And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even

The Gift of Outrageous Grace

Psalm 119:1-8

I Corinthians 3:1-9

Matthew 5:21-37

Now Registering Confirmation Class of 2023: All youth, in the 6th grade or higher, who have not been through confirmation classes are invited to participate. Confirmation will kick off with the **Theotokos** (God-bearer) Retreat Weekend, March 3-5, 2023, in Hayesville, North Carolina at the Hinton Rural Life Center, which is a United Methodist mission outreach and retreat agency of the Southeastern Jurisdiction. Confirmation classes will be held during Sunday school, March 12, until Confirmation Sunday on April 23. During confirmation class, confirmands learn about the meaning of Christian faith, the history and teachings of The United Methodist Church, an explanation of the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion, and the membership vows they will profess. Please contact the church office to register and for more information.

Souper Bowl of Caring: Today is the Souper Bowl of Caring which supports local missions. Youth and friends-of-youth will be in the narrhex after the service with soup pots. The money collected is donated to the Washington Street United Methodist Church Soup Cellar. Thank you in advance for supporting this mission and the youth of NEUMC.

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Lenten Devotional Submissions: The deadline for submissions to the Lenten Devotional Booklet has been extended to Monday, February 13. Inspirational articles are needed for the six-week Lenten Devotional Booklet. Please e-mail to northeast@neumc.com or drop off to the Church office. It is helpful to keep size to fit on a 5"x8" page.

United Methodist Men: The UMM will meet on Monday, February 13, 2023 at 6:30 PM in Room 102. All men of NEUMC are invited to join us.

Ash Wednesday

February 22, 2023

7:00 - 9:00 AM: Ash Wednesday Drive Thru Distribution of Ashes 6:30 PM: Ash Wednesday Service



MINISTRY AND PRAYER NEEDS

- The Family of John Wilkerson, cousin of Kay Burgess, upon John's death in San Antonio, TX.
- Jin Gafford and family, upon the death of her husband, Dan.
- Anita Cook, Mike Cook's mother, who needs prayer.
- Nathan Mercer and his parents. Nathan was recently diagnosed with long Covid.
- Larry Markham, for continued strength and recovery.
- Dan Ferree and his family. Dan is a 39-year-old, who suffered a massive heart attack and is awaiting a heart transplant.
- Mother of Lori Beth Wissler, who has had three heart attacks.
- Patsy Chamberlain, Melissa Sansolo's mother, recovering from open heart surgery on January 5 to repair a leaky valve.
- **Ira Sansolo**, prayer for his health.
- 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. The Prayer Shawl Ministry Team

	PRAYER REQUEST
10	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
pla	ace this card in the offering plate.
	Pastor Only
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	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

Danna Griner

COMMUNION PREPARER NEXT WEEK

Dianne Markham

COMMUNION SERVERS TODAY

Elizabeth Chamblee, Danna Griner & Stephen Crowell

COMMUNION SERVERS NEXT WEEK

Jane DeCristofaro, Ira Sansolo & Dianne Markham

SCRIPTURE READER TODAY

Weston Cheatham

SCRIPTURE READER NEXT WEEK

Karen Evans

PRAYER ROOM TODAY

Dan Christmus

PRAYER ROOM NEXT WEEK

Tammie Sloop

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

Scan to Give Online



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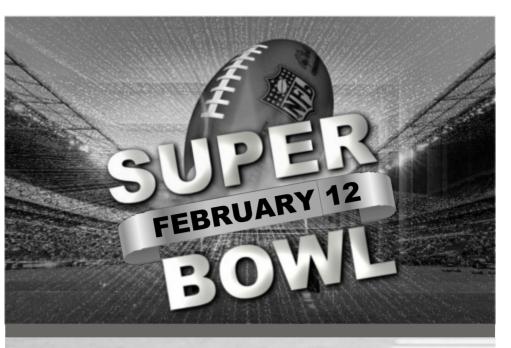


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OFFICE HOURS

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



YOUTH SUPER BOWL PARTY

JOIN US FOR THE GAME

> BRING YOUR FRIENDS

EDUCATION BUILDING
YOUTH ROOMS

BRING A SNACK TO SHARE

THIS EVENING

6:00 PM - UNTIL AFTER HALFTIME SHOW

AN ORDER FOR THE INSTALLATION OR RECOGNITION OF LEADERS IN THE CHURCH

Dear friends, you have been called by God and chosen by the people of God for leadership in the church. This ministry is a blessing and a serious responsibility. It recognizes your special gifts and calls you to work among us and for us. In love we thank you for accepting your obligation and challenge you to offer your best to the Lord, to this people, and to our ministry in the world. Live a life in Christ and make him known in your witness and your work.

Today we install these leaders.

Do you this day acknowledge yourself a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ?

I do.

Will you devote yourself to the service of God in the world?

I will.

Will you so live that you enable this church to be a people of love and peace?

I will.

Will you do all in your power to be responsible to the task for which you have been chosen?

I will.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, pour out your blessings upon these your servants who have been given particular ministries in your church. Grant them grace to give themselves wholeheartedly in your service. Keep before them the example of our Lord, who did not think first of himself, but gave himself for us all. Let them share his ministry and consecration, that they may enter into his joy. Guide them in their work. Reward their faithfulness with the knowledge that through them your purposes are accomplished; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Dear friends, rejoice that God provides laborers for the vineyards. Will you do all you can to assist and encourage them in the responsibilities to which they have been called, giving them your cooperation, your counsel, and your prayers?

The congregation responds:

We will.