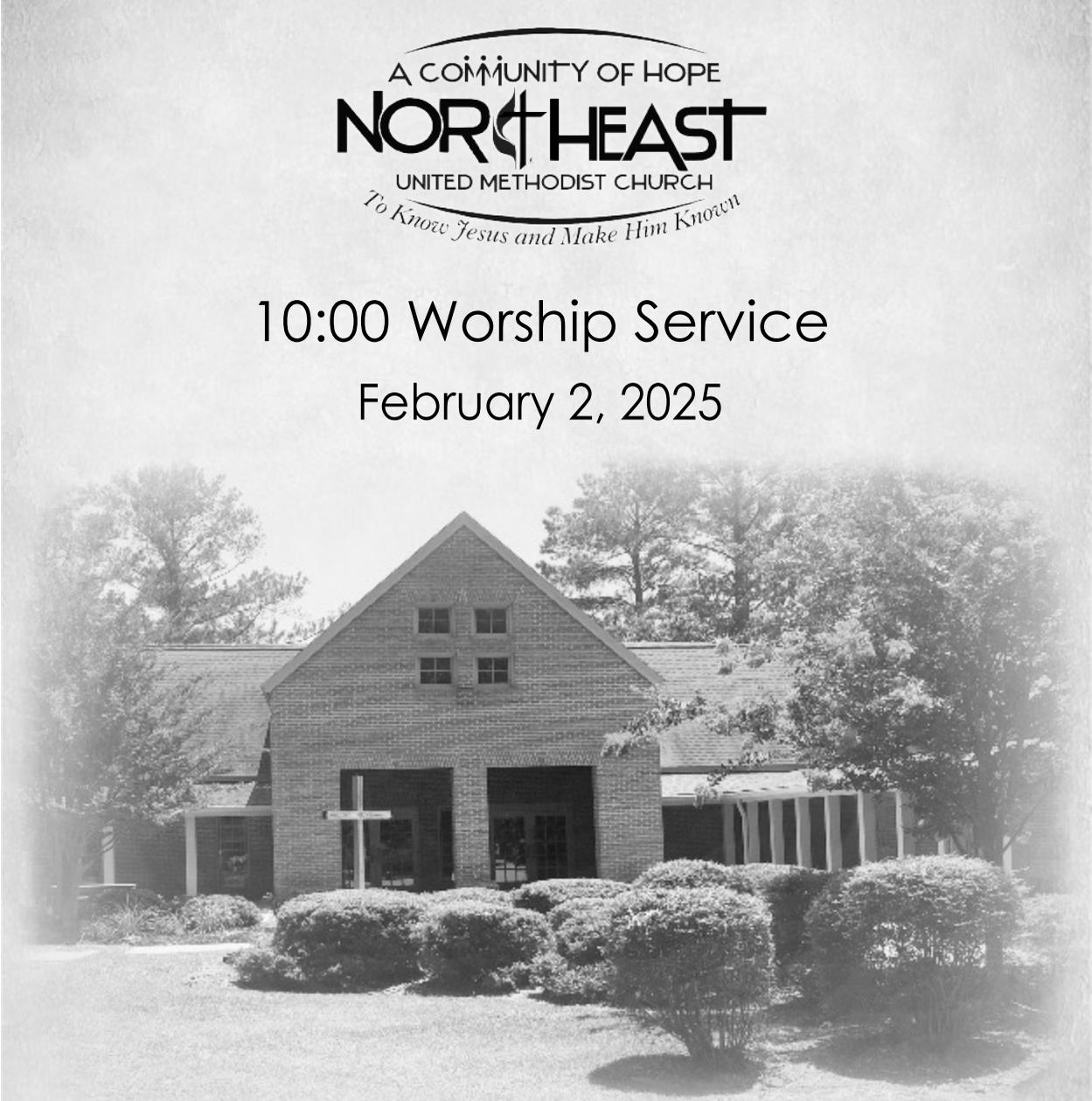




10:00 Worship Service

February 2, 2025



**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

## Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

**HYMN, 529**

*"How Firm a Foundation"*  
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, 399**

*"Take My Life and Let It Be"*  
Verses 1-3

#### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*"Lamb's Corner"*

Weston Cheatham

#### OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Jeremiah 1:4-10  
1 Corinthians 13:1-13

#### 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

*"The Great Commission"*  
Matthew 28:16-20

#### **\*THE WORLD METHODIST SOCIAL AFFIRMATION, 886**

We believe in God, Creator of the world and of all people; and in Jesus Christ, incarnate among us, who died and rose again; and in the Holy Spirit, present with us to guide, strengthen, and comfort.

#### **We believe; God, help our unbelief.**

We rejoice in every sign of God's kingdom: in the upholding of human dignity and community; in every expression of love, justice and reconciliation; in each act of self-giving on behalf of others; in the abundance of God's gifts entrusted to us that all may have enough; in all responsible use of the earth's resources.

#### **Glory be to God on high; and on earth, be peace.**

We confess our sin, individual and collective, by silence or action: through the violation of human dignity based on race, class, age, sex, nation, or faith; through the exploitation of people because of greed and indifference through the misuse of power in personal, communal, national, and international life; through the search for security by those military and economic forces that threaten human existence; through the abuse of technology which endangers the earth and all life upon it.

#### **Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy.**

We commit ourselves individually and as a community to the way of Christ: to take up the cross; to seek abundant life for all humanity; to struggle for peace with justice and freedom; to risk ourselves in faith, hope, and love, praying that God's kingdom may come.

**The kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.**

## 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, 361**

"Rock of Ages"  
Verses 1-4

**POSTLUDE**

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\* Please stand as you are able.

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- Make a checklist of people you often encounter: grocery clerk, boss, teacher, physical therapist, friend, yard guy, nail tech, relative, hair stylist, food server, dentist, mail carrier, employee, neighbor, etc.
  - When you grab lunch at a drive-through restaurant, give the person who takes your order a printed invitation to church. Make a new commitment to invite people once a month.
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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.





## TODAY

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 will be collected the first Sunday of each month. A collection box is located in the narthex for the items. The congregation is invited to stay after church today 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](http://neumc.com).

## NURTURE MEETING

The Nurture Team will meet on Sunday, February 2 in Room 102 following the worship service. You are invited to join us if you have an interest in serving on the Nurture Team.



Scan for suggested food items.



The youth will be at the doors following the service on February 9 to collect donations. Money and food items collected are donated to the **NEUMC Blessing Box**.



United  
Women  
in Faith

Thursday, February 13  
6:30 PM  
Room 102

An invitation is extended to the women of the church.





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

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>NEXT WEEK</b>
<b>LAY LEADER</b> Larry Griner	<b>LAY LEADER</b> Jane Scott
<b>COMMUNION PREPARER</b> Dianne Markham	<b>COMMUNION PREPARER</b> Karen Evans
<b>COMMUNION SERVERS</b> Ira Sansolo, Dianne Markham & Leena Crentsil	<b>COMMUNION SERVERS</b> Dan & Gaye Christmus & Karen Evans
<b>SCRIPTURE READER</b> Debbo Lackore	<b>SCRIPTURE READER</b> Diane Horn
<b>DESIGNATED FRIENDS</b> Jane DeCristofaro & Melanie Hafner	<b>DESIGNATED FRIENDS</b> Charlie & Ann Henry
<b>GREETERS</b> Dave & Pat Christiansen	<b>GREETERS</b> George & Karen Evans
<b>PRAYER WARRIOR</b> Dianne Markham	<b>PRAYER WARRIOR</b> Gil Johnson
<b>OFFERING COUNTERS</b> Stephen Crowell Larry Griner	<b>OFFERING COUNTERS</b> Tom DeCristofaro Dan Christmus

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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](http://neumc.com/give)
- (4) use the QR Code to give online

**Scan to Give Online**



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