

10:00 Worship Service

A COMMUNITY OF HOPE
NORTH EAST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
To Know Jesus and Make Him Known

January 1, 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

Epiphany Sunday

SONG

"One King"

Acolyte Enters

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, 219

"What Child Is This"

Verses 1 & 3

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

"Lamb's Corner"

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Psalm 72:1-7 & Ephesians 3:7-12

SONG

"Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary"

Sing Twice

SERMON AND INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Pastor Antoinette

"The Gift of Unexpected Gifts"

Matthew 2:1-12

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.

HYMN, 254

"We Three Kings"

Verses 1 & 5

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**

Verse 1

All hail the power of Jesus' name
Let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown Him Lord of all

Verse 2

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race
Ye ransomed from the fall
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all
Hail Him who saves you by His grace
And crown Him Lord of all

***CHARGE**

***BENEDICTION**

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Verse 3

Let every kindred every tribe
On this terrestrial ball
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all
To Him all majesty ascribe
And crown Him Lord of all

Verse 4

O that with yonder sacred throng we
At His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all

Acolyte

Chorus

Crown Him Lord of all (Echo)
At His feet we fall (Echo)
Crown Him (Echo)
Crown Him (Echo)
Hail the King of Kings (Echo)
Robed in majesty (Echo)
Crown Him (Echo)
Crown Him (Echo)

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*** Please stand as you are able.**

Sermon NOTES



The Gift of Unexpected Gifts

Matthew 2:1-12

2 After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." 3 When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born. 5 "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written: 6 "'But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel.'" 7 Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. 8 He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him." 9 After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. 10 When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. 11 On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. 12 And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

*Lectionary
Devotional Readings
for the week of
January 1*

Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14
Ephesians 3:1-12
Matthew 2:1-12

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.



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 Monday, January 2, 2023 for New Year's.

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Let's learn and grow together!

Sunday SCHOOL

TIME 9:00AM

EDUCATION BUILDING

4000 HARD SCRABBLE RD, COLUMBIA SC 29223

MORE INFORMATION 803.736.6386

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Overcomers

Instructor: Brooks Shealy
Supremacy of Christ
Book of Colossians

Pairs & Spares

Instructor: Tammie Sloop
Light of the World
by Amy Jill-Levine

Proverbs 16

Instructor: Kermit Moss
Book of Proverbs

Older Kids & Youth

Instructors: Heather Cook &
Bianca Brazell
Lessons in the Bible

Preschool & Young Kids

Instructors: Pat Hoesly, Mary
Anne Lockard & Sharon Shealy
Lessons in the Bible

MINISTRY AND PRAYER NEEDS

- **Patsy Chamberlain**, Melissa Sansolo's mother, who will have open heart surgery on January 5 to repair a leaky valve.
- **Leatha Clark**, who is has a new housing opportunity that will be life changing.
- **Lillie & Katina**, who needs prayers.
- **Adam Smith**, who was not sure would live. He is getting better and gaining strength. Pray for continued healing.
- **Carol Rytlewski**, Nikki Shaffner's mother, who fractured her pelvis.
- **Ira Sansolo**, prayer for his health.
- **Jonathan**, Lori Beth Wissler's nephew
- **Kathy Danzer**, Lori Beth Wissler's sister
- **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

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.

- ☐ Pastor Only
- ☐ 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)

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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

COMMUNION PREPARER TODAY

Karen Evans

COMMUNION PREPARER NEXT WEEK

Elizabeth Chamblee

COMMUNION SERVERS TODAY

Dan & Gaye Christmus & Karen Evans

COMMUNION SERVERS NEXT WEEK

Jane DeCristofaro, Ira Sansolo & Elizabeth Chamblee

SCRIPTURE READER TODAY

Charlie Henry

SCRIPTURE READER NEXT WEEK

Elizabeth Chamblee

PRAYER ROOM TODAY

Dianne Markham

PRAYER ROOM NEXT WEEK

Charlie Henry

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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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OFFICE HOURS

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



BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAM

NEUMC has adopted Sandlapper Elementary School for 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 are 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.



United
Women
in Faith

The United Women in Faith (formally the United Methodist Women) begin meeting on Thursday, January 12, 2023 at 7:00 PM. All women of the church are invited to attend.

We seek to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship and education so that they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities.

Our Vision

We are a powerful, fearless force driven by God's love and united in sisterhood. With a focus on women, children and youth, we act for justice and transform communities.

We face the realities we see in the world, even when they are not the ones we would like to see. However, our goal is not to bear witness simply to harms but also to God's love by acting boldly to change those harms.

Our Action

Bold action, like faith, takes courage. Our bravery is inspired by God's love and our powerful commitment to improve the lives of women, children and youth. United Women in Faith works for justice through compassionate service and advocacy to change unfair policies and systems that harm women, children and youth—from racial and gender injustice to economic inequality, climate issues and more.



Men in Ministry

Strengthening Men for the Ministry

The UMM will resume meetings starting this Monday, January 2, 2023 at 6:30 PM in Room 102. All men of NEUMC are invited to join us.

Overview

The ministry of men in the local church is defined as a core group of men, partnering with their pastor, to invite and initiate spiritual growth opportunities for all men of the church. Everyone has different gifts, graces and areas of interest. Therefore, opportunities for participation would include diverse ministries of the church, such as prayer groups, missions, Bible studies, retreats, workshops/seminars, small groups in the Wesleyan tradition, leading and participating on committees, teaching Sunday school classes, youth ministries, scouting, mentoring and assisting in leading worship service. The focus is not inward, concentrating only on those who attend a set meeting, but outward to all men, assisting them to engage the process of spiritual growth.

Mission

Our mission is to support spiritual growth among men, helping men to mature as disciples as they encourage spiritual formation in others.

Goal

Our goal is to empower the ministry of Jesus Christ through men within the congregations of the UMC.

Pathway

Our pathway is a lifelong commitment to spiritual growth to maturity as Christ followers. Our spiritual formation is marked by spiritual reproduction, as our faith passes on in others.