



10:00 Worship Service

March 22, 2026



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

Fifth Sunday in Lent

***HYMN, 404**

“Every Time I Feel the Spirit”
Verses 1-2

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, 311**

“Now the Green Blade Riseth”
Verses 1-4

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

“Lamb’s Corner”

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11

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

“Too Little, Too Late?”
John 11:20-45

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 is available in the center. Gluten free bread is used for communion.

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. God's peace be with 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.

CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

*HYMN

“Days of Elijah”

Verse 1

These are the days of Elijah
Declaring the Word of the Lord
And these are the days
Of Your servant Moses
Righteousness being restored
And though these are days
Of great trials
Of famine and darkness and sword
Still we are the voice
In the desert crying
Prepare ye the way of the Lord

Chorus

Behold He comes
Riding on the clouds
Shining like the sun
At the trumpet call
So lift your voice
It's the year of Jubilee
And out of Zion's hill
Salvation comes

Verse 2

And these are the days of Ezekiel
The dry bones becoming as flesh
And these are the days
Of Your servant David
Rebuilding a temple of praise
And these are the days of the harvest
The fields are as white in the world
And we are the labourers
In Your vineyard
Declaring the Word of the Lord

Bridge

There is no god like Jehovah
There is no god like Jehovah
There is no god like Jehovah
There is no god like Jehovah (hey)

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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.

Sermon NOTES



“Too Little, Too Late?”

John 11:20-45

20 When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. 21 Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. 22 But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” 23 Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” 24 Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” 25 Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life.[a] Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, 26 and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” 27 She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah,[b] the Son of God, the one coming into the world.” 28 When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” 29 And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. 30 Now Jesus had not yet come to the village but was still at the place where Martha had met him. 31 The Jews who were with her in the house consoling her saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. 32 When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” 33 When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. 34 He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” 35 Jesus began to weep. 36 So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” 37 But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?” 38 Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. 39 Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” 40 Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” 41 So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. 42 I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” 43 When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” 44 The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.” 45 Many of the Jews, therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did believed in him.

Lectionary Devotional
Reading for the week
of March 22

Ezekiel 37:1-14
Psalm 130
Romans 8:6-11
John 11:1-45

PRAYER VIGIL

Prayer is the foundation of Christian living and worship. The highest forms of worship are studying God's Word and prayer.

On April 3, immediately after the Good Friday Worship service led by the youth of our church, we will begin a 24-hour Prayer Vigil.

There will soon be a signup sheet in the narthex for you to indicate the time(s) you will commit to take part in the Prayer Vigil. We will provide a list of suggested prayer prompts you may add to your personal prayer needs and ideas. Feel free to sign up for multiple time slots (consecutively or spread out through the 24-hour period), as your schedule allows.

Although you may pray wherever you might be during your committed time, the Prayer Room will be open for the 24-hour period and security provided from 9:00 PM to 7:00 AM.

Thank you in advance for your participation in this especially important commitment.

If you have any questions, contact Charlie Henry. Cell: 803-743-8100 | Email: charliejhenry@gmail.com

Let's learn and
grow together!

Sunday
SCHOOL

TIME: 9:00 AM

Overcomers (Room 212) | Living Into God's Promises

Pairs & Spares (Room 214) | The Case for Christmas by Lee Strobel

Iron Sharpens Iron (Room 208) | The Upper Room - Disciplines

Older Kids & Youth (Room 213) | Lessons in the Bible

Preschool & Young Kids (Room 206) | Lessons in the Bible



Join Pastor Antoinette and other members of our congregation as they lead a morning devotion and prayer each Wednesday morning. Please encourage friends, family, and others in our community to join this time of devotion and prayer.

Time: 6:00 AM (duration 15-20 minutes)

Dial-in Number: (605) 313-5873

Access Code: 2888884#

Please note, the dial-in number is a conference call line designated for our time of prayer.



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MINISTRY AND PRAYER NEEDS

Prayer request cards are located in the card holders on the back of the chairs.

- **Flynn Gilliland**, Mike and Kathy Gilliland's grandson, who has a sinus and ear infection, and pink eye.
- **Tammy Williams**, Kathy Gilliland's sister, who has Lupus and has been diagnosed with walking pneumonia.
- **Luca Pizzello and his family**. Baby Luca has been diagnosed with cerebral palsy. The family needs lots of prayer as they navigate his care and development.
- **Larry Markham**, who is at Wildwood Downs.
- **Carol Rytlewski**, Nikki Shaffner's mother, for continued healing from her accident.
- **Dallas Petty**, recovering from the flu and has cancer.
- **Chris & Kara Bishop**. Chris has been diagnosed with frontotemporal dementia.
- **Kathy, Lori Beth Wissler's sister**, who is experiencing medical issues.
- **Betty McCall**, Sylvia Cousin's aunt, who has heart problems.
- **Wanda Chandler**, Bianca Brazell's mother, for continued recovery following her chemotherapy treatment.
- **Marion Crowell**, Stephen Crowell's mother, who experienced complications from her pacemaker lead.
- **Doug Miro**, Ryon Miro's father, recovering from a stroke.
- **Tammie Sloop, Brooks Shealy & Mattia Hilmer** for their overall health.
- **Liz Hetzler**, Forrest Horn's sister, who is suffering with dementia.
- **Those going through cancer treatment: John Lockard & Mark Grace**
- **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: Sandra Miller and Gil Johnson

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

ACOLYTE

Youth

TODAY	NEXT WEEK
LAY LEADER Larry Griner	LAY LEADER Stephen Crowell
COMMUNION PREPARER Karen Evans	COMMUNION PREPARER Danna Griner
COMMUNION SERVERS Karen Evans, Leena Crentsil, & Weston Cheatham	COMMUNION SERVERS Charlie & Ann Henry & Danna Griner
SCRIPTURE READER Felix Ehuren	SCRIPTURE READER Jennifer Wargel
DESIGNATED FRIENDS Jane Scott & Debbie Hoesly	DESIGNATED FRIENDS Melanie Hafner & Jane DeCristofaro
GREETERS Forrest & Diane Horn	GREETERS Jane DeCristofaro & Chastity Cherubin
PRAYER WARRIOR Jane DeCristofaro	PRAYER WARRIOR Dan Christmus
OFFERING COUNTERS Mike Munn & Pat Hoesly	OFFERING COUNTERS Stephen Crowell & Larry Griner
THE UPPER ROOM MARCH 25 Charlie Henry	THE UPPER ROOM APRIL 1 Pastor Antoinette

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