

# 10:00 Worship Service March 23, 2025



## Welcome to NEUMC!

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

## A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

## **Third Sunday in Lent**

\*HYMN, 127

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

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, 121

"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"

Verses 1-4

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** 

"Lamb's Corner"

#### **OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS**

Isaiah 55:1-9

I Corinthians 10:1-13

**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 "Sanctuary" by John W. Thompson & Randy Scruggs
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#### SERMON AND INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Pastor Antoinette

"God Moves...over the Fence"

#### **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

#### \*HYMN

"Just a Little Talk with Jesus"

#### Verse I

I once was lost in sin
But Jesus took me in
And then a little light
From heaven filled my soul
It bathed my heart in love
And wrote my name above
And just a little talk with Jesus
Made me whole

#### Chorus I

Now let us have a little talk with Jesus
Let us tell Him all about our troubles
He will hear our faintest cry
And He will answer by and by
Now when you feel a little pray'r wheel turning
And you know a little fire is burning
You will find a little talk with Jesus
Makes it right (it makes it right)

#### Verse 2

Sometimes my path seems drear Without a ray of cheer And then a cloud of doubt May hide the light of day The mists of sin may rise And hide the starry skies But just a little talk with Jesus Clears the way

#### Verse 3

I may have doubts and fears My eyes be filled with tears But Jesus is a friend Who watches day and night I go to Him in pray'r He knows my ev'ry care And just a little talk with Jesus Makes it right

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#### **POSTLUDE**

\* Please stand as you are able.

Inviting friends and acquaintances to church may seem like a small gesture, but it can have an eternal impact. As God places people in your path, will you make a conscious effort to invite them?

- I. Make a new commitment to invite people once a month. 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.
- 2. When you grab lunch at a drive-through restaurant, give the person who takes your order a printed invitation to church.
- 3. Extend an invitation to someone for a church event or small group gathering.
- 4. Instead of tossing your bulletin, consider passing it along to someone—your grocery clerk, teacher, physical therapist, friend, yard worker, nail tech, relative, hair stylist, food server, dentist, mail carrier, neighbor, etc.
- 5. Have a Christian book or Bible on your desk. If someone comments about it, chat about your relationship with God and your church. Invite them.
- 6. Your social media (Facebook, etc.) offers a great way to invite people. Post a photo, tell a story about how church impacts your life, link to the church website, or say, "Join us Sunday at 10:00 AM!" You never know who's reading.
- 7. Display a car magnet with the church name and share an invitation if someone asks you about it.
- 8. Use the NEUMC pen when signing your name Afterward, pass the pen along to the person you're interacting with, offering them a simple gesture of connection.



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## The Upper Room for Lent

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.

(duration 15-20 minutes)

Dial-in Number: (605) 313-5873

Access Code: 2888884#

**Time:** 6:00 AM

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

The Upper Room has been following the Book of Psalms, but for the season of Lent, we will follow the book "Pauses for Lent" by Trevor Hudson.

## God Moves...over the Fence Luke 13:1-9

I Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices.

2 Jesus answered, "Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way?

3 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish.

4 Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem?

5 I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish."

6 Then he told this parable: "A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any.

7 So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, 'For three years now I've been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil!'

8 "Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it.

9 If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down."

Lectionary Devotional Readings for the week of March 23.

Isaiah 55:1-9 Psalm 63:1-8 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 Luke 13:1-9



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.



## United Women in Faith

Thursday, March 27 7:00 PM Room 102

An invitation is extended to the women of the church.

Let's learn and grow together!



Overcomers (Room 212): Who is Jesus? (From the Book of John)
Pairs & Spares (Room 214): He Chose the Nails (Lenten Study)
Iron Sharpens Iron (Room 208): Reading & Discussing the
Old Testament

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

# **Lift Every Voice**



A Revival of Praise and Purpose

March 27 6:00 PM

Francis Burns
United Methodist Church
5616 Farrow Road
Columbia, SC 29203

Hosted by the Columbia District United Methodist Churches



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#### **MINISTRY AND PRAYER NEEDS**

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

- Keith St. Clare and family, Crystal Miller's father-in-law, who has been placed in hospice care in Texas.
- Mark Seeley, for restored health.
- Courtney Cox-Manser, for restored health.
- Families impacted by the South Carolina wildfires.
- Jim Smyrl, pray for his overall health.
- Tammie Sloop, pray for her overall health.
- Bethany Shoup, wife of Matthew Shoup, who has had a recurrence of cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy.
- The victims of the California wildfires.
- Larry, Lorie Beth Wissler's uncle, recovering from a stroke.
- Liz Hetzler, Forrest Horn's sister, who is suffering with dementia.
- Gary Hartman, recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- Joyce Noga, for improved health after a medical procedure to help control her diabetes.
- Marion Crowell, Stephen Crowell's mother, for continued strength and recovery.
- Those going through cancer treatment: John Lockard, Elizabeth Hebert & Jim Wheeler
- 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

#### **ACOLYTE**

Youth	
TODAY	NEXT WEEK
LAY LEADER	LAY LEADER
Larry Griner	Stephen Crowell
COMMUNION PREPARER	COMMUNION PREPARER
Karen Evans	Elizabeth Chamblee
COMMUNION SERVERS	COMMUNION SERVERS
Karen Evans, Dianne Markham & Diane Horn	Charlie & Ann Henry & Elizabeth Chamble
SCRIPTURE READER	SCRIPTURE READER
Felix Ehuren	Jennifer Wargel
DESIGNATED FRIENDS	DESIGNATED FRIENDS
Charlie & Ann Henry	Dianne Markham & Mary Anne Lockard

#### **GREETERS**

Forrest & Diane Horn

### PRAYER WARRIOR

Dianne Markham

#### **OFFERING COUNTERS**

Tom DeCristofaro & George Evans

## Bill Hoesly & Buck Brazell Scan to Give Online

**GREETERS** Dave & Pat Christiansen

PRAYER WARRIOR

Gil Johnson

**OFFERING COUNTERS** 



## 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

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## **OFFICE HOURS**

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