

10:00 Worship Service

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

February 5, 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

## Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany

### SONG

*“Here I Am to Worship”*

Acolyte Enters

#### Verse 1

Light of the world  
You stepped down into darkness  
Opened my eyes let me see  
Beauty that made  
This heart adore You  
Hope of a life spent with You

#### Verse 2

King of all days  
Oh so highly exalted  
Glorious in heaven above  
Humbly You came  
To the earth You created  
All for love's sake became poor

#### Chorus

So here I am to worship  
Here I am to bow down  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
And You're altogether lovely  
Altogether worthy  
Altogether wonderful to me

#### Bridge

And I'll never know how much it cost  
To see my sin upon that cross  
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*“Here I Am to Worship”* by Tim Hughes

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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, 451

*“Be Thou My Vision”*

Verses 1-3

#### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*“Lamb's Corner”*

#### OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Psalm 112:1-7 & 1 Corinthians 2:1-9

#### SONG

*“Lord, Prepare Me to Be a Sanctuary”*

Sing Twice

#### SERMON AND INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Rev. Kermit Moss

*“The Gift of Public Witness”*

Matthew 5:13-20

#### 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.**

## **HYMN**

*"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"*

## **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**

*"His Mercy Is More"*

Acolyte

**Verse 1**

What love could remember no wrongs we have done

Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum

Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore

Our sins they are many His mercy is more

**Verse 3**

What riches of kindness He lavished on us

His blood was the payment His life was the cost

We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford

Our sins they are many His mercy is more

**Verse 2**

What patience would wait as we constantly roam

What Father so tender is calling us home

He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor

Our sins they are many His mercy is more

**Chorus**

Praise the Lord His mercy is more

Stronger than darkness new every morn

Our sins they are many His mercy is more

*"His Mercy Is More"* by Matt Boswell & Matt Papa

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**\*CHARGE**

**\*BENEDICTION**

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

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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.



# Sermon NOTES



## The Gift of Public Witness

Matthew 5:13-20

13 “You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

14 “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden.

15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

17 “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.

18 For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth disappear, not the smallest letter, not the least stroke of a pen, will by any means disappear from the Law until everything is accomplished.

19 Therefore anyone who sets aside one of the least of these commands and teaches others accordingly will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever practices and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

20 For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.

*Lectionary  
Devotional Readings  
for the week of  
February 5*

Isaiah 58:1-9a (9b-12)  
Psalm 112:1-9 (10)  
1 Corinthians 2:1-12 (13-16)  
Matthew 5:13-20

## 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.

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## 2023 Lenten Devotional Booklet

Inspirational articles are needed for the six-weeks Lenten Devotional Booklet. Please e-mail to [northeast@neumc.com](mailto:northeast@neumc.com) or drop off to the Church office. It is helpful to keep size to fit on a 5"x8" page. Input is needed by February 10.

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## Recognition of Church Leaders

We will recognize our church leaders on February 12 during the worship service. Please join us for this special occasion.

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## Souper Bowl of Caring

February 12 is the Souper Bowl of Caring which supports local missions. Youth and friends-of-youth will be in the narthex 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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Let's learn and grow together!

*Sunday*  
**SCHOOL**

**TIME 9:00AM**

**EDUCATION BUILDING**

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MORE INFORMATION 803.736.6386

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**NORTHEAST**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
*Faith, Jesus and Make That Reason*

**Overcomers**  
Instructor: Brooks Shealy  
Life of David  
First & Second Samuel

**Pairs & Spares**  
Instructor: Tammie Sloop  
Jesus in the Psalms  
by Barbara Roos

**Proverbs 16**  
Instructor: Kermit Moss  
Book of Proverbs

**Older Kids & Youth**  
Instructors: Heather Cook &  
Bianca Bruzell  
Lessons in the Bible

**Preschool & Young Kids**  
Instructors: Pat Hoesly, Mary  
Anne Lockard & Sharon Shealy  
Lessons in the Bible

## 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 Bredeesen**  
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.*

*1 Timothy 2:1*

Please write your request(s) here and place this card in the offering plate.

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- 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.

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**(NAME)**

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**(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**  
Elizabeth Chamblee
- COMMUNION PREPARER NEXT WEEK**  
Danna Griner
- COMMUNION SERVERS TODAY**  
Dan & Gaye Christmus & Elizabeth Chamblee
- COMMUNION SERVERS NEXT WEEK**  
Larry & Danna Griner & Stephen Crowell
- SCRIPTURE READER TODAY**  
Nikki Shaffner
- SCRIPTURE READER NEXT WEEK**  
Weston Cheatham
- PRAYER ROOM TODAY**  
Jane DeCristofaro
- PRAYER ROOM NEXT WEEK**  
Dan Christmus

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

Scan to Give Online



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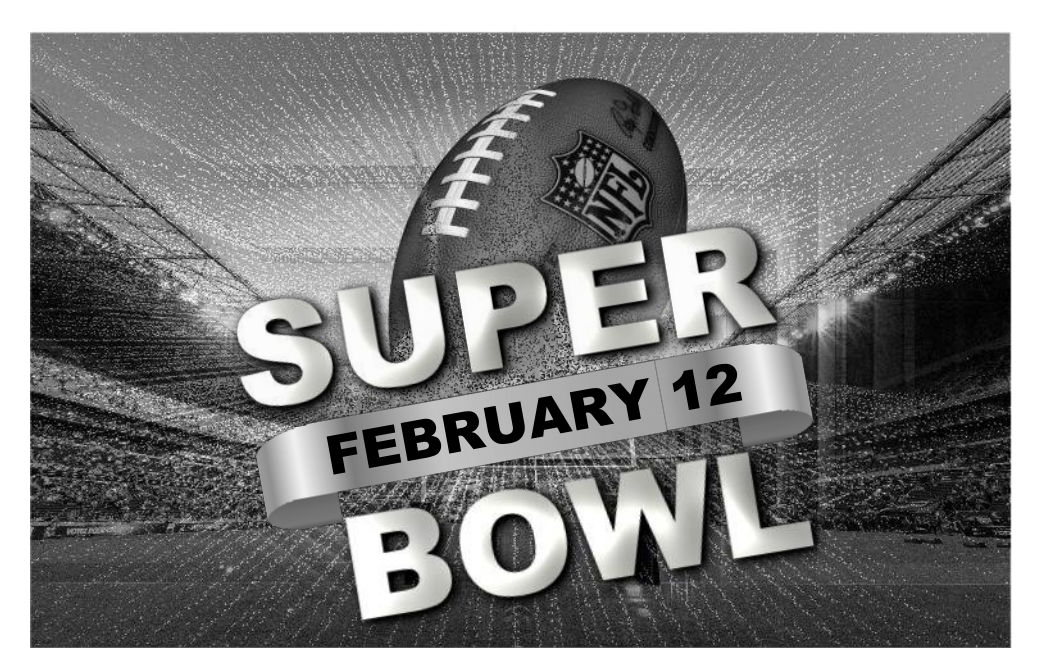
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**OFFICE HOURS**  
8:30 AM - 4:00 PM: MONDAY - FRIDAY





**SUPER**  
**FEBRUARY 12**  
**BOWL**

***YOUTH SUPER BOWL PARTY***

***JOIN US FOR  
THE GAME***

***BRING YOUR  
FRIENDS***

***EDUCATION BUILDING  
YOUTH ROOMS***

***BRING A SNACK TO SHARE***

***SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 12, 2023***

***6:00 PM - UNTIL AFTER HALFTIME SHOW***