



September 24, 2023

10:00 Worship Service



**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

## Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

**HYMN, 130**

*“God Will Take Care of You”*  
Verses 1, 3 & 4

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, 415**

*“Take Up Thy Cross”*  
Verses 1, 2 & 4

#### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*“Lamb's Corner”*

#### OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45  
Philippians 1:21-30

#### 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

*“A Fair Wage”*

Matthew 20:1-16

#### NEW MEMBERS CEREMONY

See Insert

Pat Christiansen, Amy Flanders, Greg & Melanie Hafner, Delina Johnson, Mary Mason

#### 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:

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**

“Gratitude”

Recessional

**Verse 1**

All my words fall short  
I got nothing new  
How could I express  
All my gratitude

**Verse 2**

I could sing these songs  
As I often do  
But every song must end  
And You never do

**Chorus**

So I throw up my hands  
And praise You again and again  
‘Cause all that I have is a hallelujah hallelujah  
And I know it’s not much  
But I’ve nothing else fit for a king  
Except for a heart singing hallelujah  
Hallelujah

**Verse 3**

I’ve got one response  
I’ve got just one move  
With my arms stretched wide  
I will worship You

**Bridge**

Come on my soul  
Oh don’t you get shy on me  
Lift up your song  
‘Cause you’ve got a lion inside of those lungs  
Get up and praise the Lord

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\* 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

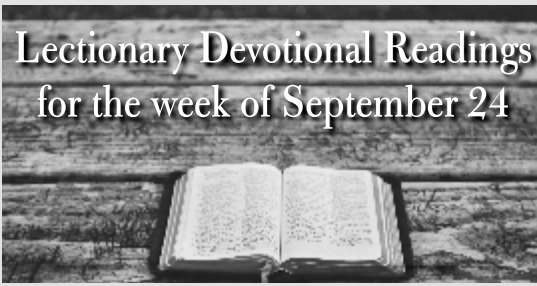


## A Fair Wage

Matthew 20:1-16

1 “For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. 2 He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard. 3 “About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. 4 He told them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ 5 So they went. “He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. 6 About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, ‘Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?’ 7 “‘Because no one has hired us,’ they answered. “He said to them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard.’ 8 “When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.’ 9 “The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. 10 So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. 11 When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. 12 ‘These who were hired last worked only one hour,’ they said, ‘and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.’ 13 “But he answered one of them, ‘I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn’t you agree to work for a denarius? 14 Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. 15 Don’t I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ 16 “So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Lectionary Devotional Readings  
for the week of September 24



Exodus 16:2-15

Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16



# CHURCH

Council Meeting

Today @ 11:15 AM, Room

Let's learn and grow together!

## Sunday SCHOOL

**TIME 9:00AM**

EDUCATION BUILDING

4000 HARD SCRABBLE RD, COLUMBIA 29223

MORE INFORMATION 803.736.6386

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### Overcomers (Room 212)

Instructor: Brooks Shealy

Life of David

First & Second Samuel

### Pairs & Spares (Room 214)

Instructor: Tammie Sloop

Bible Stories for Grown-Ups by Josh Scott

### Proverbs 17 (Room 208)

### 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

- **Lee Chandler**, who is experiencing health issues.
- **Courtney Cox-Manser**, Anthony Pizzello's sister, as she begins treatment for tumors that were found on her brain.
- **Judy Steinlin**, former member of NEUMC, who is experiencing a number of health problems and is currently receiving hospice care. Also pray for her daughter Rebecca, who is managing care for Judy and her son Chris, who has Down syndrome.
- **Edward Zuraw**, Nikki Shaffner's uncle, hospitalized with heart issues.
- **Scott Schuch and his family**, undergoing colon cancer treatment.
- **Clara Tribbey and family**. Clara, former member of NEUMC, has ovarian cancer and is on hospice care.
- **The family of Hazel Lockard** for strength and guidance.
- **Tracie Glumm**, childhood friend of Nikki Shaffner, experiencing major health issues amidst cancer treatments.
- **Owen Markham**, grandson of Larry & Dianne Markham, recovering from a skiing accident in Colorado.
- **Mattia Hilmer**, pray for her overall health.
- **Anita Cook**, Mike Cook's mother, who needs prayer.
- **Larry Markham**, for continued strength and recovery.
- **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 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. 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**

Danna Griner

**COMMUNION PREPARER NEXT WEEK**

Elizabeth Chamblee

**COMMUNION SERVERS TODAY**

Larry & Danna Griner & Melanie Hafner

**COMMUNION SERVERS NEXT WEEK**

Dan & Gaye Christmus & Emma Wargel

**SCRIPTURE READER TODAY**

Emma Wargel

**SCRIPTURE READER NEXT WEEK**

Hannah Cook

**PRAYER WARRIOR TODAY**

Dan Christmus

**PRAYER WARRIOR NEXT WEEK**

Tammie Sloop

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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](http://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



# Rev. Dr. Melanie Dobson

United Methodist Elder and Professor at Lutheran  
Theological Southern Seminary and Director of  
the Spiritual Direction Certification Program

Dr. Dobson is teaching the last class:

## **Practices of Presence: Prayer for Life's Journey**

(Prayer for our life's moments, days, and weeks)

Thursday, September 28

6:30 PM

Practicing Sabbath: Resting with God in a Week

# Blessing of the Animals



*Sunday*  
*October 1, 2023*  
*3:00 PM*

**We invite you to join us for the Blessing of the  
Animals. The blessings will be held at the church's  
amphitheater by the Education Building.**

For all the animals of the forest are mine,  
and I own the cattle on a thousand hills.  
I know every bird on the mountains,  
and all the animals of the field are mine.

Psalm 50:10-11 NLT





**September 29 - October 31, 2023**

**Pumpkins Arrive**

**4:00 PM | Wednesday, September 27, 2023 (Watch for Updates)**

**Patch Hours**

**Sundays | 11:30 AM - 7:00 PM**

**Monday - Friday | 3:00 - 7:00 PM**

**Saturdays | 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM**

**All skill levels and ages welcome to help unload the pumpkins.**

**Sign-up to work the Patch online or in the narthex.**

**SUNDAY**

**OCTOBER 8, 2023**

**12 - 2 pm**



**> Crafts**

**> Fun**

**> Food**

**> Games (any age)**

**> Square Dancing**

