

Sunday Worship Service at 10:15 AM on July 7, 2024

Mission Statement of New London United Methodist Church:

Build a connected church community through partnership and neighborhood outreach.
Promote spiritual growth and discipleship through mutually encouraging gifts and faith.

Vision Statement of New London United Methodist Church:

Build Connections. Build Partnerships. Build Spiritual Growth.

Welcome

Greeting God is good **all the time**. All the time **God is good**.

***Hymn** "Battle Hymn of The Republic" **UMH #717** verses 1-4

***Call to Worship (Acts 2:25-26, 28)**

I saw the Lord always before me

For he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken

Therefore my heart was glad and my tongue rejoiced;

Moreover my flesh will dwell in hope.

You have made known to me the ways of life;

You will make me full of gladness with your presence.

***Prayer of Invocation**

O God, who moves our hearts and inclines our minds to You, we offer You our gratitude and reverence. Amen.

John 21:15-19 New Revised Standard Version

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

Response: *The Word of God, for the people of God! Thanks be to God!*

***Hymn** "The Spirit Song" **UMH #347**

Time of Prayer

How Is It With Your Soul? Joys & Concerns

Unison Prayer: We pray in appreciation of our Christian heritage, for all who have been touched by the Spirit of Christ, and who have shared the Gospel: bringing comfort in times of sadness, discovering hope in times of distress, offering forgiveness when relationships seem broken, using gifts and talents for Kingdom building, giving answers as to our faith in honor of our Messiah. Amen

Time of Offering *Thank you to everyone for your faithful generosity.*

Offering Prayer

Eternal God, we offer ourselves and our gifts, that they may be used to extend your grace to others for your glory, through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn** “Are Ye Able” *UMH #530*

Sermon “Peter” Rev. Tony Fuller

***Hymn** “Just A Closer Walk With Thee”

Holy Communion pg. 13-14

Prayer of 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 . . .

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 . . . 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 cup.

. . . All honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray together:

The 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sharing of the Elements *Use the bread and cup that you have.*

The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

Let us take, eat, and remember.

The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

Let us take, drink, and remember.

Prayer After Receiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the joy of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn** “One Bread, One Body”

***Commission and Blessing**

Show each of us, the precious love of God in sending us the Son,

Who shared with us the precious body and blood of his presence

that we might carry the precious faith of Christ in our hearts,

With the precious promise of the holt spirit to sustain us

as we continue to grow and mature as sheep in Christ's fold. Amen. **And Amen.**

Announcements