

November 5, 2023, 10:30 a.m. All Saints' Sunday/Holy Communion 23rd Sunday After Pentecost

First United Methodist Church Of Newton

Order of Worship

(*Please rise in body or in spirit.)

PRELUDE

"Communion" (Guilmant)

Henry Repp

GREETING

Rev. Todd Lattig

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Kathleen Meredith

We gather today hoping to be fed by God.

Sometimes we worry that what we have is not enough.

Jesus fed thousands with just five loaves and two fish; God will feed us today.

Praise God! The little we have is enough for God to receive, bless, and multiply.

God will provide enough for us and for others.

Glory to God. Amen.

*HYMN

"Just As I Am Without One Plea"

UMH 357

*OPENING PRAYER (unison)

Kathleen Meredith

Faithful God, remind us today that everything big and small can be used to bless the community. Help us to remember that you can take what we have and multiply it to meet our needs. Increase our faith as we trust you for our provision. We recognize that we are better together than alone. You have called each of us to live in connection with each other. God, we give you thanks that as we love you, you give us the heart to love our neighbor. Today we give you praise for all the ways you have blessed us in our personal lives, our church, and our community. Amen.

ANTHEM

"Trusting You For All" (Cornell)

Chancel Choir

REMEMBERING OUR SAINTS

Rev. Lattig

COMMUNITY PRAYER

Rev. Lattig

CHORAL RESPONSE TO PRAYER

Chancel Choir

KIDS ROCK CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. Lattig

SCRIPTURE READING

Kathleen Meredith

John 6:1-14

6 After this, Jesus crossed over to the far side of the Sea of Galilee, also known as the Sea of Tiberias. ² A huge crowd kept following him wherever he went, because they saw his miraculous signs

as he healed the sick. ³ Then Jesus climbed a hill and sat down with his disciples around him. ⁴ (It was nearly time for the Jewish Passover celebration.) ⁵ Jesus soon saw a huge crowd of people coming to look for him. Turning to Philip, he asked, "Where can we buy bread to feed all these people?" ⁶ He was testing Philip, for he already knew what he was going to do.

⁷ Philip replied, "Even if we worked for months, we wouldn't

have enough money to feed them!"

⁸ Then Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up. ⁹ "There's a young boy here with five barley loaves and two fish. But what good is

that with this huge crowd?"

¹⁰ "Tell everyone to sit down," Jesus said. So they all sat down on the grassy slopes. (The men alone numbered about 5,000.) ¹¹ Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks to God, and distributed them to the people. Afterward he did the same with the fish. And they all ate as much as they wanted. ¹² After everyone was full, Jesus told his disciples, "Now gather the leftovers, so that nothing is wasted." ¹³ So they picked up the pieces and filled twelve baskets with scraps left by the people who had eaten from the five barley loaves.

¹⁴ When the people saw him do this miraculous sign, they exclaimed, "Surely, he is the Prophet we have been expecting!"

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God for this Word.

SERMON Generous: "Abundance in Community" Rev. Lattig HOLY COMMUNION (see insert)

OFFERTORY "Adagio in g minor" (Marcello) Melinda McCoy-Miller

Please proceed up the center aisle to place your offering and pledge card in the plate or scan one of the QR codes on the back of this bulletin to make your offering electronically using PayPal or Tithe.ly.

*DOXOLOGY UMH 95

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison) Kathleen Meredith Lord Jesus, thank you for the example of our spiritual ancestors who followed your example of generosity. Thank you for the people of our congregation who went before us and whose generosity blessed so many and continues to bless

and whose generosity blessed so many and continues to bless us today. Lord, please accept these our offerings as an expression of our love for you and our commitment to your kingdom's work in us and through us. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen. *BENEDICTION

Rev. Lattig

POSTLUDE

"How Firm a Foundation" (Murphree)

Henry Repp

This	Week's Schedule
Monday, Nov 6	10-12 Chair Yoga (HH)
	12 Set Up for 11/7 Voting (HH)
Tuesday, Nov 7	7 am-8 pm VOTING all day (HH)
	6 Hypnosis for Health (Media Ctr
	7 NSS Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Wednesday, Nov 8	10-3 Life With Joy (HH)
	6 Potluck Supper (HH)
Thursday, Nov 9	10-1 Life With Joy (HH)
	7 Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Saturday, Nov 11	8-12 SCYO (HH)
	9-2 Treasures of Hope
Sunday, Nov 12	9 Joy Fellowship (ĤH)
	Sunday School (1B)
	10:30 Sanctuary Service
	Following 10:30 service:
	From Jesus to Christ class
	in Media Center



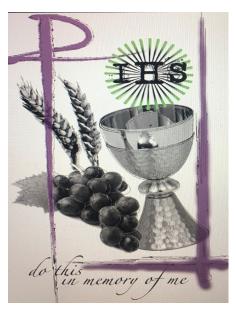


Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor
Director of Music/Organist
Flute Soloist
Liturgist
Greeter
Camera Operator
Soundboard Operator

Rev. Todd Lattig
Henry Repp
Melinda McCoy-Miller
Kathleen Meredith
Fred Fox
Jen Phlegar
Jay Morrison

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Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin, and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin to God and one another.

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.

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 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.

Holy are you, O God, 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 our Lord gave himself up for us he took the 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 unison 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 forever. **Amen.**

