

Newtonville United Methodist Church

Sunday, April 14, 2024

Third Sunday of Easter

We are so glad that you joined us for worship today! Whether you call NUMC your church home, or you are a guest with us today, we want you to know that no matter who you are, where you've come from, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here. Please take the time to fill out the contact card located in the pew, and place it in the offering basket when it comes your way. Our ushers and greeters are here to help you feel at home—so please don't hesitate to ask if you should need anything at all. You are most welcome to join us for coffee and fellowship in the lounge immediately following worship. Welcome!

Welcome and Announcements

Centering Song

*We Share Christ's Peace

(by waving, smiling, sharing the peace sign, or bowing toward our friends)

We Are Called to Worship Pam LaCasio

We are witnesses...

To the love God has poured into us.

We are witnesses of God's love...

Sharing it with each person we meet.

We are witnesses to everyone we encounter...

Little children like us, siblings in God's family.

We Join in Song: Hymn #3038 "Mighty To Save"

Opening Prayer

When it seems that no side will listen, we find you at our side, leaning over to catch every faltering, stumbling, fearful word spilling forth from our hearts. When we worry

about yesterday and all the tomorrows to come, you gather us up in your arms, gently rocking us in your hope.

God in Community, Holy in One, continue to touch us with your peace, even as we pray. Amen!

Children's Time Stephanie Ramkissoon

We Pray Together

Joys and Concerns

Silent Prayer/Reflection

Pastoral Prayer

We 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 and ever. Amen.

We Offer Our Gifts

*Doxology #2036 "Give Thanks" / Offertory Prayer

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son. Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son. And now let the weak say I am strong, let the poor say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us. And now let the weak say I am strong, let the poor say I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks, give thanks!

We Hear the Scripture Reading... Acts 3: 12-19

We Join in Song: Hymn #2086 "Open Our Eyes"

We Hear the Gospel Reading... Luke 24: 36b-48

The Message: Pastor Nick

We Remember What We Believe and We Affirm Our Faith/The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

We Join in Song: Hymn #2241 "The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

Our Statement of Commitment to Racial Justice

The United Methodist Church proclaims the value of each person as a unique child of God and commits itself to the healing and wholeness of all persons; recognizing that the sin of racism has been destructive to its unity throughout its history, and racism continues to cause painful division and marginalization.

We, the community of faith at Newtonville United Methodist Church, shall confront and seek to eliminate racism, whether in organizations or in individuals, in every facet of its life and in society at large; working collaboratively with others to address concerns that threaten the cause of racial justice at all times and in all places.

Sending Song: "Draw the Circle Wide"

Blessing

2024 NUMC GARAGE SALE

Our annual garage sale will be on Saturday, April 20, 2024 from 8:30 - 1:30. Early birds may pay \$5 to come in at 8 o'clock. At 1:30 we will have a bag sale costing \$5 per bag. Among the items that will be available for sale are: appliances, furniture, garden and household tools, sports equipment, holiday decorations, jewelry, housewares, linens, toys, plants and books. There will also be a bake sale with homemade goodies.



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