



***The order of service is subject to change at the leading of the Holy Spirit.**

Bold print invites congregational response in unison.

***Means you are invited to stand** if able and comfortable.

Large print hymnals, large print bulletins, service script, pew cushions, and Listening Assistance Devices are available at the entry of the Sanctuary.

You are encouraged to check-in at NMUMC on Facebook & share recorded service.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude

Harlan Otter

Welcome and Welcoming Statement

Pastor Lee

Announcements

Call to Worship

Scott Caldwell

O give thanks to the Lord!

Holy One, we come with thanks n our lips.

Sing to God, sing praises!

Rise up your song in our souls.

Tell of God's wonderful works!

Our hearts find joy in seeking you.

Seek the Lord and claim God's strength!

We grow strong in your power and might.

Remember all that God has done!

You shape our lives through every challenge.

Praise the Lord!

We praise you, Lord!

Opening Prayer (in unison)

Together

Eternal God, in visions and dreams, you offer us hope for a new tomorrow. Amidst life's storms and raging waters, be with us n our time of need. Reveal to us the great works we are capable of, that we may rise above our narrow purposes, and be of service to the world. Bless our journeys, that it may be said of us; "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring hood news!" Amen.

Lord's Prayer

Together

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

*Praise and Worship

"Now is the Time to Worship"

Together

"These Are the Days of Elijah" WS#3186

Bill Weed, cajon

"Be Thou My Vision" UMH#451

Vickie Caldwell, soloist

"Live Forever" (by Drew Holcombe & Neighbors)

Chuck Samson, soloist

"What A Beautiful Name"

Pastor Lee

"Draw The Circle Wide" (WS #3154)

Mary Prause, accordion

Harlan Otter, keyboard

* WE HEAR THE WORD

Gospel Reading:

Mathew 14:22-33

Scott Caldwell

²² Immediately he made the disciples get into a boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. ²³ And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, ²⁴ but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. ²⁵ And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. ²⁶ But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. ²⁷ But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." ²⁸ Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹ Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" ³² When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. ³³ And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn

"10000 Reasons"

Ohyeun Lee, soloist

WE SHARE THE GIFTS

Invitation to the Offering

Pastor Lee

As we bring our offering today, we join that rhythm of abundance. May these gifts ripple outward in love, supporting ministries that help our neighbors flourish. Let's give with joy, knowing God delights in every act of generosity.

Offertory Anthem

Harlan Otter

*Doxology

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*Offering Prayer (in unison)

Together

Through our struggles, you carve out hope. Through our suffering, you give us gifts—gifts not just for us, but to give away. Gracious, almighty God, receive the fruit of our struggles and the pain of our suffering. Receive our lives, our whole lives, and every step on our journeys, that we might shine with your glory in all our endeavors. Amen.

We Reach Out to the World

Sending Hymn

“The Blessing”

Together

*Benediction

Together

May the God of the journey walk with you—in and out of pits, and in and out of storms.

May our Creator God continue to form you and bless you.

May the God of grace encourage you, this day, and every day, and beyond our days.

Amen

Postlude

Harlan Otter

Event Announcements:

- **Praise Sunday:** TODAY August 9; 9:00am Chapel In The Pines; Featuring our Praise Band and Guest Singers.
- **Church Council Meeting:** Tuesday August 11, 7:00-9:00pm, (DO)
- **Camp Firelight A Summer Camp Adventure With God:** Friday August 14 – Saturday August 15; NMUMC, bible study, games, nature activities, crafts, make your own pizza dinner, limited spots



REGISTRATION

- **Handbell Workshop:** Thursday August 20 at 6:00pm in the sanctuary
 - This workshop is designed to help participants learn, practice, and build confidence in bell ringing techniques while enjoying a fun and supportive environment. Whether you are new to handbells or looking to enhance your existing skills, Bell Camp offers a wonderful opportunity to learn and connect with others who share an interest in music.
- **Prayer Center:** The sanctuary is open every Wednesday 12:00 Noon to 1:00pm; a quiet hour set apart to pray for world peace.

Praise Sunday



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Chapel in the Pines

You are invited to worship with us in the quiet of prayer, in the joy of song, and in the desire to grow in the grace and knowledge of our LORD Jesus Christ.
Part of our mission is to be a place for all people. All are welcome here!
Whatever your gender identity, age, race, religious background, economic status, sexual orientation or condition of ableness, we greet you as a beloved child of God.

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Children's Participation: Acolyte and Bell Ringer

Ministers: *All members of the New Milford UMC*

Pastor's Office Hours: 9:00AM – 12:00PM, Tuesday through Friday

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