

NEWARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



JULY 14, 2024
9:30 AM

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE! WELCOME TO NUMC.

SERVICE GUIDELINES

The parts of today's worship service to be spoken by the entire congregation are printed in **bold**. You are invited to use the prelude and postlude time for prayer and reflection.

✦ Indicates an invitation to stand in body or in spirit.

WELCOME STATEMENT

Newark United Methodist Church is a congregation with open hearts, open minds, and open arms.

We welcome and affirm you
in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior,
regardless of your race, ethnicity, age,
gender identity, sexual orientation, social or economic status,
physical and mental ability, or religious affiliation.

We are all God's beloved children.

LECTIONARY

JULY 14 | 8th Sunday after Pentecost (Green)

2 Sam 6:1-5, 12b-19; Ps 24 (*UMH 755*); Eph 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29

JULY 21 | 9th Sunday after Pentecost (Green)

2 Sam 7:1-14a; Ps 89:20-37, 45b (*UMH 807*); Eph 2:11-12; Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

Order of Worship

July 14th at 9:30 am Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our first Summer Choir Sunday is next week. Join us in the choir room at 9:00 am to learn our song.

**FIND
THE
MUSIC
HERE**



MORNING PRAYER

**Creator God, in praise and adoration
our spirits dance before you today.
You have created this wondrous universe
and all the magnificent things within it.
You have blessed us with so much throughout our lives,
even to this day of praise and thanksgiving.
Let our spirits soar!
Let our hearts sing boldly of your wondrous love.
We celebrate your love and presence with us,
and it is in the name of your Son,
our Savior, Jesus Christ, that we offer this prayer.
Amen.**

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

**Open wide the doorways of our sanctuary!
May the king of glory come into our midst.
Who is this king of glory?
This king of glory is our Savior Jesus Christ.
Open the doors of our hearts to receive Jesus Christ.
May our spirits and our hearts
receive his blessing now and forever. Amen.**

✠ HYMN

GOD HATH SPOKEN BY THE PROPHETS



CHILDREN'S BLESSING

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**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 sitteth at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge
the quick 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.**

**meaning "universal"*

✠ GLORIA PATRI

NO. 71

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

⊕ GOSPEL

MARK 6:14-29

⊕ GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ALLELUIA

D. D. DILLARD

Voice

Al-le - u - ia Al-le - u - ia Al-le - u - ia glo-ry to God! A - le - u - ia

5 u - ia Al-le - u - ia Al-le - u - ia Glo-ry to God A - le God! For the rit.

10 Lord Most High is *rit.* wor- thy of glo- ry and praise Al - le u - ia Al-le - a tempo

15 u - ia Al-le - u - ia glo ry to - God! A - le - u - ia Al-le - u - ia Al-le -

20 u - ia Glo - ry to God!

MESSAGE *LIFT UP YOUR HEADS* REV. KEVIN BENJAMIN

⊕ HYMN

LORD OF THE DANCE

NO. 261

UM HYMNAL

PASTORAL PRAYER

Lord of the dance of life, you have breathed into us your creative, joyful Spirit. You have lifted us from the dust into the swirling joy of your presence. We are so grateful for all that you have done for us. Each day reminds us in many ways of your mercy and your love. Yet there are times in our lives when we have felt lost and alone. We have been hurt and frightened and wondered where you were. Remind us again of your loving presence. Place your hands of healing on our lives. Comfort us when we become afraid, lost, lonely, and fearful. Prepare us to serve you faithfully all our days. As we have lifted the name of dear ones to you who need your healing love, cause us to reflect on our needs for your love and our response in dedicated service to you. Be with us now, in this time and place, and in all the places and times of our lives. For it is in Jesus' Name, we pray. **Amen.**

A prayer candle has been placed on the altar to offer light as we bring our petitions to God in times of particular concern for our congregation and the larger community/world. Whether or not a specific prayer is made aloud this week, this light is a reminder that our love and prayers expand far beyond the church walls.

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.**

OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious God, in this sacred moment of offering, we recognize your sovereignty and mercy. As we present our gifts, may they reflect our gratitude for your presence in our lives, amid the complexities and uncertainties of our journeys. Guide us to dance with abandon, even amid our doubts and struggles, trusting in your steadfast love and grace. **Amen.**

If you are worshiping in extended community, you can always make your offering online using the link in the description for the service or use the QR code in the bulletin, or by visiting newark-umc.org.



OFFERTORY

AWESOME GOD/I EXALT THEE

ARR. F. BOCK

✠ DOXOLOGY

NO. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

✠ PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Let us pray.

**Mighty God, strengthen our gifts
with the power of your Holy Spirit.
May they become instruments of faith and love,
bringing joy and hope to your world. Amen.**

⊕ BENEDICTION

God's love for you is real and alive in your hearts today. Go in peace, knowing that the Lord of love and life is with you. Bring God's peace to all you meet, this day and all your days. **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

FESTIVE SCHERZO

M. ARCHER

FLOWER DEDICATIONS
TO THE GLORY OF GOD



*In loving memory of dear family members,
from Cathy and Carroll Johnston.*

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Message	Rev. Kevin Benjamin
Liturgist	John Sullivan
Director of Music	Rob Kennan
Cantor	TBD
Acolyte	Martin Mesick
Crucifer	Isabel Severson
Ushers	Ed Jochen, head usher Gail Ament, Nancy Bransfield, Linda Russell
Fellowship Host	No One Signed Up
Sound	Bill Boyd
Livestream	Tyler Colburn