

NEWTOWN United Methodist Church

July 13, 2025 – Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship is a time to move close to God and receive spiritual energy for living courageously and serving others faithfully.

Prelude in F Bach

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song "This is the Day" (Sing twice) UMH #657

*Call to Worship

Leader: Come, all who are waiting by the waters of hope.

People: Christ calls us to rise and walk in newness of life.

Leader: Bring your weariness, your wounds, your long-held fears.

People: Christ meets us with mercy and speaks healing to our hearts.

Leader: The time for waiting is over; the Healer is here.

People: We lift our voices in praise and step into God's restoring love.

Amen.

*Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" (Verses 1, 3, & 4) UMH #139

*Opening Prayer

Gracious God, You meet us in our places of waiting and longing, yet You never leave us there. You see beyond our struggles and speak words of healing and hope. As we gather in Your presence today, open our hearts to hear Your voice calling us forward. Release us from what holds us back, and lead us into the fullness of life You desire for us. Give us courage to trust You where we have grown weary, and faith to rise and walk in the new life You set before us. Renew us by Your Spirit, that we may carry Your healing and hope into the world. We pray this in the name of Jesus, our Healer and Lord. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith UMH #881

Prayer for the Pastor Gerry Hixson, Lay Leader

Epistle Reading 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Pew Bible pg. 181

Special Music I Love You Lord Klein

*Gospel Reading John 5:1-15 Pew Bible pg. 96

Sermon Series Questions Jesus Asked Pastor Rodney Brailsford

"Do You Want to Be Made Well?"

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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

*Hymn "Here I Am, Lord" UMH #593

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

*Response Doxology, UMH #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!

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" UMH #127

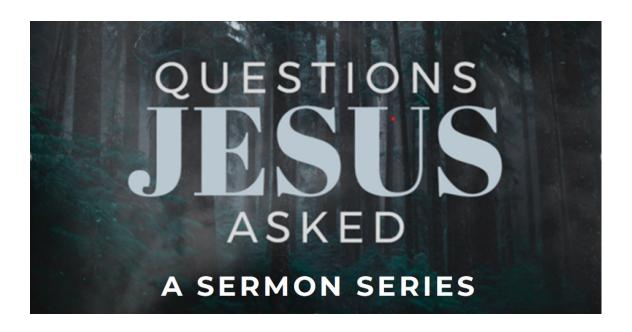
*Dismissal and Blessing

Postlude A Mighty Father Strong

*Please Stand if able

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