



NEWTOWN United Methodist Church

July 20, 2025 – Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude How Great Thou Art S. Hine

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Song “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” UMH #158

*Call to Worship

Leader: Come with your questions, your hopes, and your fears.

People: We bring our whole selves before God.

Leader: In the calm and in the chaos,

People: Christ meets us with peace.

Leader: Let us listen, trust, and worship,

People: For God is here, and love casts out fear. Amen.

*Hymn “How Firm a Foundation” (Verses 1, 2, 3, & 5) UMH #529

*Opening Prayer

God of peace and power, When the winds rise and fear surrounds us, anchor us in Your presence. Speak into our chaos the word only You can speak: “Peace, be still.” Calm the restless waves within our hearts. Remind us that we are never alone, never forsaken, and never beyond the reach of Your love. Open our ears to hear Your voice, our hearts to trust Your promises, and our lives to follow wherever You lead. Strengthen our faith, Lord, not because the storm is gone, but because You are with us in it. In Jesus we pray, Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith

UMH #881

Epistle Reading Romans 8:31–39 Pew Bible pg. 158

Special Music I Stand in Awe M. Altrogge

*Gospel Reading Mark 4:35–41 Pew Bible pg. 39

Sermon Series *Questions Jesus Asked* Pastor Rodney Brailsford
“Why Are You So Afraid”

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 “Blessed Assurance” UMH #369

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory Be Thou My Vision M. Byrne

*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!**

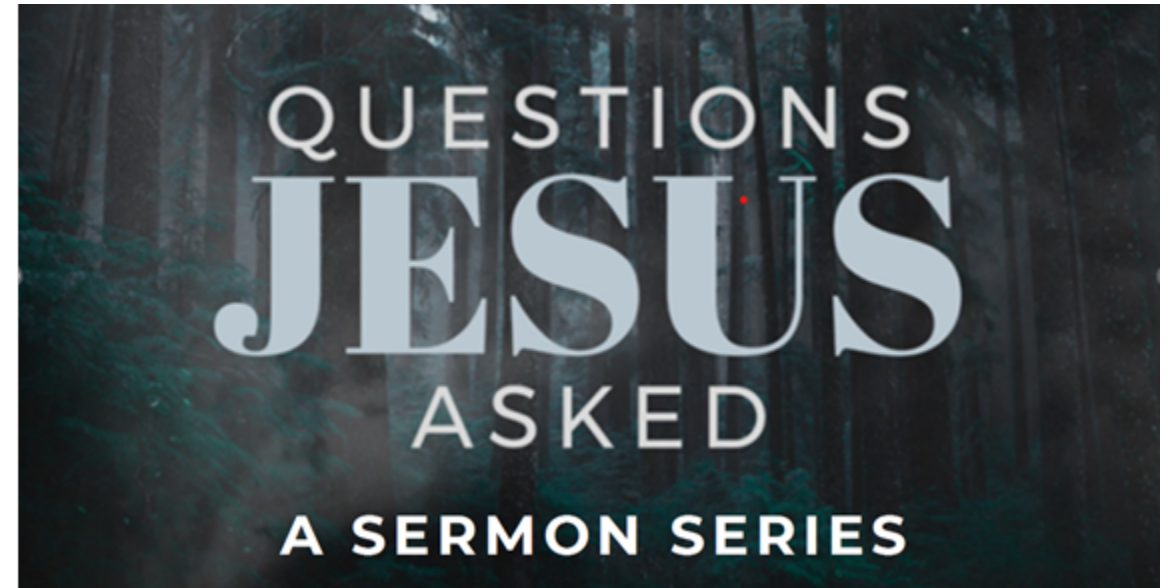
*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn “Standing on the Promises” UMH #374

*Dismissal and Blessing

Postlude And Can It Be that I Should Gain C. Wesley

*Please Stand if able



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