

NEWTOWN United Methodist Church

July 19, 2026 – Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Rooted in Faith. Growing in Christ. Serving with Love.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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

*Call to Worship

Leader: We come before God with honest hearts, bringing every joy, wound, frustration, and fear.

People: Search us, O God, and reveal what is growing within us.

Leader: Christ calls us to be slow to anger, rich in mercy, and ready to forgive.

People: By Your Spirit, teach us to sow peace, patience, compassion, and love.

Leader: Let us worship the God who transforms our hearts and makes all things new.

People: We open our lives to Your grace. Come, Lord, and renew us.
Amen.

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Opening Prayer

Gracious God, we come before You with open hearts, asking Your Holy Spirit to be present among us. Quiet our minds, receive our burdens, and help us worship You with honesty and humility. Search our hearts and show us what we have been nurturing within. Where anger has taken root,

grow patience. Where hurt has hardened us, awaken compassion. Where bitterness has grown, plant forgiveness and peace. Through our prayers, our singing, and the hearing of Your Word, shape us more fully into the likeness of Christ. In His holy name we pray. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith UMH #881

Old Testament Reading Genesis 4:3–8 Pew Bible pg. 3

Special Music	“Lord, I Need You” Jenna Sims, Soloist	M. Maher & A. Assad
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New Testament Reading Ephesians 4:25–32 Pew Bible pg. 194

Message “What Are You Watering? Pastor R. Brailsford

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 of Response “Make Me a Channel of Your Peace” TFWS #2171

*Passing of the Peace

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

*Closing Hymn "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" TFWS #2223

*Dismissal and Blessing

*Postlude:

*Please Stand if able



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