



NEWTOWN United Methodist Church

October 4, 2026 – Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Prelude

Choral Introit “Come Down, O Love Divine” R.V. Williams

Welcome and Announcements

*Gathering Hymn “We Are the Church” UMH #558
(Verses 1, 2, & 4)

*Call to Worship

Leader: Christ has set a table wide enough for the whole world.

People: We come as many people, with many stories, to one table of grace.

Leader: Here, no one is greater, no one is forgotten, and no one stands alone.

People: In Christ, strangers become neighbors, and neighbors become one body.

Leader: Come, then, with open hearts, ready to receive and ready to serve.

People: We come to worship the One who makes us one. Amen.

*Opening Hymn “In Christ There Is No East or West” UMH #548

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, you gather us from many places, experiences, and generations and make us one in Christ. As we worship, free us from the divisions, pride, and habits that keep us from truly seeing one another. Open our hearts to your grace, shape us by the example of Jesus, and

teach us to live as one body in love and service. As we come to your table, may we receive not only bread and cup, but also a renewed commitment to one another. In the name of Christ, who welcomes us all, we pray. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith UMH #881

Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 11:17-26, 33-34 Pew Bible pg. 173

Choral Anthem “Taste and See the Goodness of the Lord” T. Keesecker

Gospel Reading Luke 22:14–27 Pew Bible pg.86

Message “You Call This Communion?” Pastor R. Brailsford

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn of Response “One Bread, One Body” UMH #620

Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

*Response Doxology, UMH #95
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Offertory Prayer

Invitation to Communion UMH Pg.13
(Gluten Free available)

*Passing of the Peace

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.

*Closing Hymn "Christ for the World We Sing" UMH #568
(Verses 1, 3, & 4)

*Dismissal and Blessing

*Postlude:

*Please Stand if able



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