Newman Congregational Church, UCC

"No matter who you are, Or where you are on life's journey ... You're welcome here!"
An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ
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MORNING WORSHIP



NOVEMBER 9, 2025 10 AM

MISSION STATEMENT

We are an inclusive Christian community dedicated to living Jesus' message of love, peace and justice through joyful worship, compassionate service, radical hospitality and responsible stewardship.

OPENING MUSIC

WELCOME

INTROIT

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CALL TO WORSHIP - responsive

One: We are thirsty for your justice, O God.

All: Quench our thirst,

One: So that out of our hearts,

All: Shall flow rivers of living water. One: Let us enter into worship together.

*HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth

NCH #28

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION - in unison

God of ages and generations,
In the extremes of an outdoor life
You helped the shepherd Amos to learn.
He had heard the roar of a lion
And seen the lions hunt.
He was exposed to the heat of the sun
and the cold winds of night.
We too need to pause, and learn,
and understand our connectedness
with all that is.
May it be so. Amen
(silent pause)

ASSURANCE OF GRACE - responsive

One: Hear the good news, siblings in Christ.

You have been created in wholeness, claimed in love, and forgiven according to God's boundless grace.

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

TESTIMONY

Children may depart for Church School following the Testimony

PASSING OF THE PEACE

This is an ancient Christian tradition in which we show each other that we carry with us only signs of love, by waving, shaking hands, bumping fists, or however else we are moved to greet each other.

SCRIPTURE Amos 1:1-2; 5:14-15, 21-24 NRSVue

SERMON "Dreaming God's Dream"

*HYMN Fairest Lord Jesus PH #227

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER – in unison (using "Debts" and "Debtors")

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen

CALL TO OFFERING

Contributions may be placed in the offering plate, mailed to Newman UCC PO Box 4764, Rumford, RI 02916 or made online at newmanucc.org/give. If you are in the Sanctuary and give online there are laminated cards in the pews for you to put in the plate.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Teach me, O Lord, the Way of Thy Statutes Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

*DOXOLOGY Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God for all that love has done; Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant NCH #539

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Allegretto

Thomas Arne (1710 – 1778)

tune NCH #780

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^{*}The congregation is invited to stand.

FLOWERS

If you would like to sponsor the floral arrangement on a particular Sunday, please get in touch with Debra Messinger at 401-741-4633 or debndave15@cox.net.

WORSHIP TEAM

Ministers, All Church Members!
Special thanks to Nancy Nicholson, Guest Organist/Pianist
Becky Bass, Soprano Section Leader ~ Barbara Youmans, Alto Section Leader
Thomas Seeger, Tenor Section Leader ~ Jonne Gomes, Bass Section Leader
Special thanks to Alan Usas, Guest Audio Visual Specialist
Thomas Seeger, Lay Leader ~ Rich MacKay, Greeter
Don & Maxine Williams, Testimonial
Rev. David Shire, Minister Emeritus
Rev. Samuel Lovett, Senior Minister

THIS WEEK

- Coffee & Conversation today, November 9, following worship in the hall
- Deacon's/Worship Team Meeting today, November 9 @ 11:15 am in the Lounge
- Faith Formation Team Meeting today, November 9 @ 11:15 am in the Chapel
- TAP Basketball Monday, November 10, from 4:30-7:30 pm in Memorial Hall
- Good Neighbors Food Pantry Tuesday, November 11 at 5-7 pm
- Classic Yoga Wednesday, November 12 from 6-7:15 pm in Memorial Hall
- Haiti Task Force Meeting Wednesday, November 12 @ 7pm via Zoom
- Widow's Might Meeting Thursday, November 13 @ 11 am in the Chapel
- Widow's Lunch Meeting Thursday, November 13 @ 12:30 pm at Brigg's Corner Pizzeria in Attleboro, MA
- Adult Choir Rehearsal Thursday, November 13 at 7 pm in the Sanctuary
- Faith-Based Discussion Group* Friday, November 14 @ 9:30 am in-person in the Pastor's Study and on Zoom.
- $\bullet~$ East Providence Food Drive for Good Neighbors Saturday, Nov. 15th from 9 am 2 pm in the parking lot
- Stewardship Sunday* next Sunday, November 16 at 10am in the Sanctuary
- Lovett-Palmer Baby Shower next Sunday, November 16, following worship in Memorial Hall
- Providence Singers Gospel Concert next Sunday, November 16 at 3 pm in Providence.

^{*}indicates hybrid = offered both in-person and online

The Good Neighbors Food Pantry is requesting donations of **cereal** and **tuna** in November. However, all non-perishable items are gratefully accepted.

Donations for the "Newman Marcus" section of the 30th Missions' Bazaar are gratefully accepted on the stage beginning next Sunday, November 16th.