

**YOUR FAMILY BELONGS HERE!**

Children are a gift, please don't worry about wiggles or noise as they are signs of life and joy in our midst.

**Quiet Space for Infants** - A dedicated nursing and soothing room is available upstairs for parents and babies.

**Busy Bags** - Located in the narthex (foyer) & filled with quiet activities.

**Nursery Care** - Our nursery (0-4yrs) is open 8:25am-12:15pm. Please ask an usher if you need help finding it.

**Children's Church** - Picks up on the Children's Wing after the service. Take the stairs to the left of the Sanctuary doors, then turn left at the top.

We are delighted to have your entire family worship with us!

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER: 5:30-6:30PM**

\$5/Child <12, \$8/Adult  
\$25/Family (2 Adults, 2 Kids <12)

**March 18**  
Beef Lombardi

**March 25 | Baseball Opening Day**  
Chicken Nacho Grande  
*Wear your Atl Braves or other team gear.*

*Please RSVP by noon the Tuesday before supper, or email phall@newnanfumc.org.*

**ECUMENICAL LENTEN SERVICES**  
Wednesdays | Noon (Lunch after, \$5)

March 18: Newnan First UMC  
March 25: Newnan Presbyterian Church

**LENTEN SEASON**

**GIVE IT UP FOR LENT - \$12K GOAL!**  
Now-Easter Sunday

This is the biggest fundraiser our church has each year for Bridging the Gap. We ask for a \$1/day donation through Lent, or \$40/person. The shopping cart in the narthex shows how far your \$1 can stretch as we help to feed our neighbors!



**LENTEN WORSHIP & EVENTS**

**Palm Sunday - March 29**  
Traditional Worship Services  
8:30am & 11:00am | Sanctuary

Easter Egg Hunt  
12:15pm | First Ave Park

**Maundy Thursday - April 2**  
7:00pm | Sanctuary

**Easter Sunday - April 5**  
Sunrise Service  
7:00am | First Ave Park

Traditional Worship Services  
8:30am & 11:00am | Sanctuary

*\*Remember to bring fresh cut flowers on Easter Sunday to flower the cross!*

**Wednesday Night Supper: March 18**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults \_\_\_\_\_

# Kids \_\_\_\_\_

**Tear this off and place in the offering plate, or drop in the Church Office!**

**EVENTS THIS WEEK & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 15**  
8:30am & 11:00am | Worship (S)  
9:45am | Sunday School  
4:30pm | Youth Ensemble (CR)  
5:00pm | Youth Choir (CR)  
6:00pm | UTH\* (YL)  
6:00pm | ROOT345\* (AH)  
*\*Menu: Beef dirty rice*

**MONDAY, MARCH 16**  
9:45am | Martha Circle (M200)  
4:30pm | Joybells (BR)  
5:45pm | Inspirations (CR)  
6:00pm | Finance Meeting (AH)

**TUESDAY, MARCH 17**  
9:30am | Celebration Singers (CR)  
12:30pm | HK SS St. Paddy's Party (AH)

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18**  
7:00am | UTH Biscuits & Bibles (OS)  
10:00am | Women's Bible Study (AH)  
12:00pm | Lenten Service & Lunch (S PH)  
4:30pm | Bellissimo (BR)  
5:00pm | Cherub Choir (M202)  
5:00pm | Carol Choir (CR)  
5:05pm | Evening Prayer Service (CH)  
5:30-6:30pm | Wed. Night Supper (AH)  
6:30pm | Women's Bible Study (AH)  
6:45pm | Chancel Choir (CR)  
7:00pm | UTH Sticky Faith (OS)

**THURSDAY, MARCH 19**  
10:30am | Fun 'n Frolic (Gibb's Garden)  
4:00-6:00pm | Spring Job Fair (PH)

**SUNDAY, MARCH 22**  
8:30am & 11:00am | Worship (S)  
9:45am | Sunday School  
12:15pm | VBS Volunteer Mtg (AH)  
12:15pm | New Members Class (PH)  
4:30pm | Youth Ensemble (CR)  
5:00pm | Youth Choir (CR)  
6:00pm | UTH\* (YL)  
6:00pm | ROOT345\* (AH)  
*\*Menu: Chicken Nachos*

S: Sanctuary | PH: Parish Hall | PS: Preschool  
CR: Choir Room | YL: Youth Lounge | OS: Offsite  
BR: Bell Room | CH: Chapel | WR: Work Room  
AP: Annex Parking | GR: Gathering Room  
CW: Children's Wing | M#: Main Room  
A#: Annex Room | AC: Annex Conference  
A3F: Annex 3rd Floor | AH: Annex Hall

*If you need assistance registering for events, contact the Church Office! 770.253.7400 or ChurchOffice@Newnanfumc.org.*

Scan the QR code for full calendar details & signups  
NewnanFUMC.org/events

**SPRING JOB FAIR**  
March 19 | 4:00-6:00pm (PH)  
*Full and part-time jobs will be available from a variety of businesses throughout the community.*

**EASTER LILY DEDICATIONS**  
March 22  
*If you'd like to dedicate an Easter lily in honor or memory of a loved one, please fill out the form at the QR code above. Printed versions in the church lobby.*

**VBS INTEREST MEETING**  
March 22 | Noon (AH)  
*Andrea will answer questions and talk about ways people can volunteer. Registration is now open for VBS (June 22-25, 2026).*

**NEW MEMBER CLASS - REGISTER BY 3.20**  
March 22 | 12:15pm (Parish Hall)  
*New and prospective members are invited to learn more about the church.*

**AMO GALLERY EXHIBITION OPENING**  
March 27 | 5:00-9:00pm (AH)  
*Celebrating Easter: Rebirth, from darkness to light. Featuring works from church and community members, including residents of Angel's House.*

**THE GATHERING CHOIR - REGISTER BY 3.21**  
March 28 Rehearsal | March 29 Perform  
*Rehearse on Saturday to sing during both worship services on Palm Sunday.*

**EASTER EGG HUNT**  
March 29 | 12:15pm (First Ave Park)  
*Egg seekers 0-12th grade are welcome in the hunt. There will also be food for all ages and special prizes!*

**GRADUATING SENIOR SUNDAY**  
May 17 | Info due by May 3  
*We're preparing to celebrate our graduating high school and college students. Use the QR code above to fill out the information form for your senior.*

Half Month Ending MAR 15 1942 No. 109  
Mr. S. C. Patten  
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**Fourth Sunday in Lent**  
**March 15, 2026**

8:30am & 11:00am Services

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# Order of Worship



## GATHERING MUSIC

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PASSING OF THE PEACE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

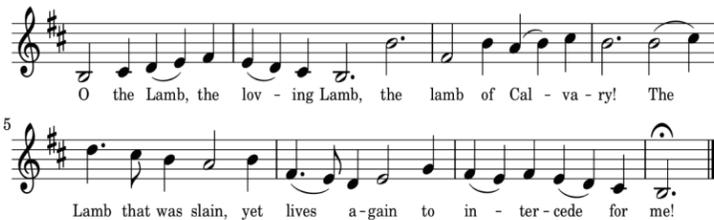
We come today carrying debts we could never repay  
**Worn down by the weight of what we owe.**  
 But we gather because God did not watch from a distance.  
**God came down. God paid what we could not.**  
 The record of our debt has been canceled. It is finished.  
**We are free! Thanks be to God.**

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** "Hear Us, O Lord, and Have Mercy" Jeanne Demessieux

**†OPENING HYMN** "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross" No. 301

**†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** No. 888  
 1 Corinthians 15:1-6 & Colossians 1:15-20

**†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** No. 300



### GIVING OF GOD'S TITHE & OUR OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY** "My Song is Love Unknown" Karl Osterland

**†DOXOLOGY** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 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!

### †PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT (11:00)

*\*(11:00) Following the Children's Moment, 4-year-olds through 2nd graders may meet volunteers at the back of the sanctuary for Children's Church. They can be picked up after the service in Room 211.*

### MORNING PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

**ANTHEM** "Bright Morning Stars" Traditional  
 Henry and Kathy Roberts and Joanna Sherer

### †SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 20:28 (NIV)  
 ... just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Colossians 2:13-14 (CEB)  
 ...[Jesus] destroyed the record of the debt we owed, with its requirements that worked against us. He canceled it by nailing it to the cross.

Matthew 18:21-35 (CEB)  
 Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, how many times should I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Should I forgive as many as seven times?"

Jesus said, "Not just seven times, but rather as many as seventy-seven times. Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. When he began to settle accounts, they brought to him a servant who owed him ten thousand bags of gold. Because the servant didn't have enough to pay it back, the master ordered that he should be sold, along with his wife and children and everything he had, and that the proceeds should be used as payment. But the servant fell down, kneeled before him, and said, 'Please, be patient with me, and I'll pay you back.' The master had compassion on that servant, released him, and forgave the loan.

"When that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him one hundred coins. He grabbed him around the throat and said, 'Pay me back what you owe me.'

"Then his fellow servant fell down and begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I'll pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he threw him into prison until he paid back his debt.

"When his fellow servants saw what happened, they were deeply offended. They came and told their master all that happened. His master called the first servant and said, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you appealed to me. Shouldn't you also have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?' His master was furious and handed him over to the guard responsible for punishing prisoners, until he had paid the whole debt.

"My heavenly Father will also do the same to you if you don't forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

The Word of God for the people of God.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**MESSAGE** "The Lamb Who Buys Us Back" Rev. Connor Bell

### INVITATION

**†HYMN** "Jesus Paid It All" Insert

### †BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

**†RESPONSE** "What Wondrous Love Is This" No. 292

What wondrous love is this O my soul, O my soul,  
 What wondrous love is this, O my soul!  
 What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss  
 to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,  
 to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.

**†POSTLUDE** "March" Richard Wagner

**†Please stand as you are able.** All music used with permission: CCLI# 1494932  
**Please silence all cell phones during worship. No food/drinks in the Sanctuary.**

### RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you, and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of this church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

### NOTES



*The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Bob & Caroline Miller, by Alice & Robin Miller.*



### CHURCH STAFF

#### Rev. Andrew Chappell, Senior Pastor

Seth Crile, Facilities Manager  
 Dr. Caitlyn Dixon, Minister of Music  
 Janet Marie Gunnels, Communications Director  
 Patty Hall, Kitchen Hostess  
 Tiffany Hanson, Church Sexton  
 Carol Hartenbower, Administrative Assistant  
 Jodi Horne, Nursery Coordinator  
 Carrie Horsley, Church Sexton

#### Rev. Connor Bell, Associate Pastor

Bonnie Krider, Asst. Director of Music  
 Owen Lambert, Finance & Business Director  
 Dr. Dawn McCord, Organist  
 Susan Mitchell, Preschool Director  
 Julie Perkins, Youth Minister  
 Kim Stokes, Finance Secretary  
 Andrea Stuart, Director of Children's Ministries