

Adult Sunday School

For the next few weeks the Adult Class will be considering a contemporary interpretation of familiar parables. A 25-minute video tells the parable's story in a present-day setting. Discussion follows. Below is the schedule for each parable and its location in the Bible. You are invited to come for the entire series or for the parable(s) that you would most like to consider in "modern dress". [11:00 a.m., up front in the sanctuary]

May 14	The Prodigal Sons	Luke 5: 11-32
May 21	The Sower	Matthew 13: 1-23
May 28	Hidden Treasure	Matthew 13: 44-46
June 4	The Widow and the Judge	Luke 18: 1-8
June 11	The Shrewd Manager	Luke 16: 1-13

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*You are invited to worship with us in the quiet of prayer, in the joy of song,
and in the desire to grow in the grace and knowledge of our LORD Jesus Christ.*

Part of our mission is to be a place for all people. All are welcome here!

*Whatever your gender, age, race, religious background, economic status,
sexual orientation or condition of ableness, we greet you as a beloved child of God.*

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NEW MILFORD
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

3rd Sunday of Easter
April 30, 2017 | 9:30am

The order of service is subject to change at the leading of the Holy Spirit.

Italicized Bold print invites congregational response in unison.

✚ Means you are **invited to stand** if able and comfortable.

Listening Assistance Devices & LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available at the narthex



ENTRANCE & PRAISE

Prelude musical selection by Tim Smith

Welcome & News

✠ Opening Hymn #327 “Crown Him With Many Crowns” [v.v. 1-2]

✠ Call to Worship

As you walk with us, as we journey together,
Lord, your word fills our hearts!
As you speak with us, as your love is revealed,
Lord, your fire burns in our hearts!
As we proclaim what we have seen and heard,
may all people be drawn to you, the risen Lord!

✠ Hymn of Praise #327 “Crown Him With Many Crowns” [v.v. 3-4]

Prayer of Invocation & LORD’s Prayer

Message on the Steps Pastor Alex
Children are invited to continue to worship at the Sunday School room for a Godly Play lesson]

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, thank you for bringing each one of us here today. Open our hearts to hear your words and our spirits to dare to journey with you. **AMEN.**

✠ Gospel Reading Luke 24:13-35

Listening for God’s Message Pastor Alex

Response to the Word

Dear friends, let your hearts be healed. God is here with you, right now and walks with you into the world. Do not fear! Peace be with you all. **AMEN.**

Prayers of the People

✠ Hymn of Response #611 “Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”

Offering of Tithes and Gifts musical selection by Tim Smith

✠ Doxology #94 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God Praise, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Offertory Prayer

GOING FORTH

✠ Closing Hymn #57 “O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing” [v.v. 1-5]

✠ Commission, Benediction and Passing of the Peace

We thank you, O God,
for the miracles of supply
in our moments of need.
And we praise you for always being there for us.

We thank you, O God,
for the miracle of resurrection
in our moments of lifelessness and despair.
And we praise you for always being there for us.

We thank you, O God,
for the gift of faith
when our ability to believe is strained.
And we praise you for always being there for us.

You are God,
You are accessible,
You are involved.
And, we recognize our need of you.

*Thank you that, as we seek to love, to serve,
to follow you and to make a contribution,
we can rely on your grace and your Spirit
to support and guide us.*

Postlude