

GOING FORTH

✚ Closing Hymn

✚ **Commission, Benediction & Passing of the Peace** [by Sara D Lambert @ ministrymatters.com]

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Christ has set us free!

Follow Christ and know God's love!

Postlude

musical selection by Tim Smith

**The Worship Is Ended:
The Service Begins..."**



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New Milford United Methodist Church



**Sunday Worship Celebration
June 30, 2016 @ 9:30am**

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



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.

Large Print Hymnals, Bible, Bulletins, service script, pew cushions, and Listening Assistance Devices are available at the entry of the Sanctuary

You're encouraged to check-in at New Milford UMC on Facebook & share our livestream.

ENTRANCE & PRAISE

Prelude musical selection by Tim Smith

Welcome & News

✚ **Opening Hymn #**

✚ **Call to Worship** [adapted from liturgy by Nancy C. Townley posted at ministrymatters.com] Chris Prause

Following Jesus is difficult. So many things have laid claim to our lives.

We don't know if we can let go and truly follow Him.

LORD, search our hearts and speak to our spirits. Encourage us to freely follow You.

Help us to be dependable disciples,

joyfully proclaiming Your transforming power and love.

Prayer of Invocation [adapted from lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.com] Lois Ciccarelli

Hymn of Praise #

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

Prayer for Illumination [by St. Ignatius Loyola]

***Teach us, LORD, to serve You as You deserve,
To give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds,***

***To toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to seek for any reward
Save that of knowing that we do Your will.***

✚ **Gospel Reading** "Luke 9:51-62" [NIV]

The Word of God to the faithful followers of Jesus!

Thanks be to God!

Listening for God's Message "The Cost to Follow Christ" Lois Ciccarelli
Prayers of the People & LORD's Prayer [Based on Galatians 5 by Taylor Burton-Edwards, Copyright © 2007, 2010, The General Board of Discipleship.]

[prayers of the people concluding with 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.

Hymn of Response #

Invitation to Offering

Offering of Tithes and Gifts musical selection by Tim Smith

✚ **Doxology #95** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

***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