

**ANEW CONTEMPORARY SERVICE
YOUTH SUNDAY
AUGUST 2, 2026
1 1:00 AM BLENDED SERVICE**

***SONG OF PRAISE**

Open Up the Heavens

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

The Light of Jesus disperses the darkness of hatred and sin, warming our hearts and brightening our way. The love of Christ burns deep within us, inflaming our hearts. The Light of Christ shines through us so all our neighbors may experience God's love.

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Please greet one another with the peace of Christ and sign the attendance register at your table.

***SONG OF PRAISE**

The Light in Me

BLESSING OF THE BOOKBAGS

Congregation: Creator God, you gave us incredible bodies and brains that grow and develop with time. You made us so that, whether in or out of the classroom, we are always learning. Today, we celebrate a return to the classroom. We pray each person in every school will be appreciated for the ways they learn. Bless everyone as they learn at their own pace. Allow these students to be curious thinkers, to be filled with questions about themselves and the world around them. Be blessed with discernment as they decide when, where, and to whom you will ask your many questions. And when there is no answer to be found, or none that satisfy, cling to the greatest promise of all: God loves you and will never leave you. Amen.

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 5:13-16

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WITNESS TO THE WORD

“Mission Stories from Atlanta”

Todd Handell, Mary Scott Handell, Hannah Vitters

2026 MISSION TRIP PICTURE SLIDESHOW

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PRAYER

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Here's My Heart Lord

***CLOSING SONG OF PRAISE AND OFFERTORY**

This Little Light of Mine

The offering basket is on the altar in the front of the worship space.

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

*Please stand as you are able

Be advised this service is Livestreamed.