



New Life Lutheran Church  
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*"Disciples of Jesus Growing Disciples of Jesus"*

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Reader: John Reber

**Outdoor services - offering bucket is near the front entry of the church.**

**Indoor services - offering box at the entrance and exit of the sanctuary**

***In solidarity with our younger members who are now the most vulnerable to the COVID-19 virus, we ask and recommend that all indoor worshipers continue to wear masks.***

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN**

***Blessed Assurance***

**Temporary Hymnal pg. 14**

**BAPTISM ALAYAH ANN KRAUSE** (During the 11:00 am worship only)

**BAPTISMAL HYMN** (During the 11:00 am worship only) ***Jesus Loves Me***

1 Jesus loves me! this I know,  
for the Bible tells me so;  
little ones to him belong,  
they are weak, but he is strong.

*Chorus*  
Yes, Jesus loves me,  
yes, Jesus loves me,  
yes, Jesus loves me,  
the Bible tells me so.

2. Jesus Loves me! He who died  
Heaven's gate to open wide.  
He will wash away my sin.  
Let His little child come in.  
(Chorus)

4. Jesus loves me! He will stay  
Close beside me all the way.  
He's prepared a home for me,  
And Someday His face I'll see.  
(Chorus)

## **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

<sup>1</sup>When the day of Pentecost had come, [the apostles] were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

<sup>5</sup>Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup>And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. <sup>7</sup>Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" <sup>8</sup>And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? <sup>9</sup>Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, <sup>10</sup>Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, <sup>11</sup>Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." <sup>12</sup>All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup>But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

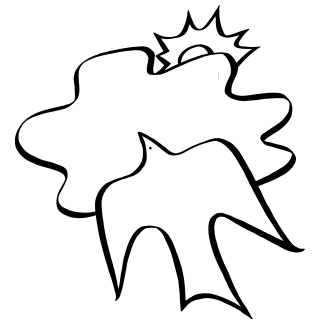
<sup>14</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. <sup>15</sup>Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. <sup>16</sup>No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

<sup>17</sup>'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. <sup>18</sup>Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

<sup>19</sup>And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

<sup>20</sup>The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

<sup>21</sup>Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'



## Second Reading: Romans 8:22-27

<sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

<sup>26</sup>Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

## **Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15**

[Jesus said,] <sup>26</sup>“When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. <sup>27</sup>You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

<sup>16:4b</sup>“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup>But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ <sup>6</sup>But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. <sup>7</sup>Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup>And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: <sup>9</sup>about sin, because they do not believe in me; <sup>10</sup>about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; <sup>11</sup>about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

<sup>12</sup>“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. <sup>13</sup>When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. <sup>15</sup>All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”

## **SERMON**

**OFFERING** [The Offering can be placed in the bucket near the front entrance of the church for outdoor service and at the entrance or exit of the sanctuary for indoor service]

## **RECOGNITION OF SENIORS AND QUILT PRESENTATION** (during the 10:00 am service only)

Seniors being recognized today are:

Austin Brandt, son of Cale & Jessica Brandt

Gavin Larson, son of Eric & Kimberly Larson

Tresten Petersen, son of Joel & Heather Petersen

Lilly Wheelright, daughter of Nick Wheelright & Athena Rudh



## **THE PRAYERS**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)**

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 and ever. Amen.

**SENDING HYMN:** *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

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## **BENEDICTION**

May our glorious God grant you a spirit of wisdom  
to know and to love the risen Lord Jesus.

The God of life,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH**

### **May 23rd - Senior Recognition Sunday**

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:30 am Senior recognition coffee & muffins

10:00 am Parking lot worship at New Life with Senior  
Recognition

11:00 am Indoor worship at New Life with baptism

### **May 25th - New Life office will close early at 12:30 pm**

### **May 30th - Jessica Leading Worship**

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

10:00 am Parking lot worship at New Life

### **May 31st - 10:00 Memorial Day Program**

### **June 1st - Office Closed**

(office hours will be Wed June 2nd - Friday June 4th 10:00 am to 2:30 pm)

### **June 6th - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany**

10:00 am Indoor/Outdoor simultaneous worship at  
New Life

Pastor Randy will be on vacation  
May 24th - June 8th.

Due to him being on vacation we will  
be having only one worship service at  
10:00 am on May 30th and June 6th.

**May 30th** will be an outdoor worship  
service

**June 6th** will be an indoor/outdoor  
worship service ran simultaneously.

*WELCA "Love Days"*  
*June 15th & 16th*  
*9:00 am to 3:00 pm*  
*Bring a sack lunch*

### **Worship Time Update!!**

Beginning on June 6th, the 10:00 am worship service will transition into an indoor and outdoor worship service being ran simultaneous with each other. The online stream will also be transitioning to the 10:00 am worship time.

For those who prefer to see Pastor Randy but would like to remain outdoors for safety reasons, beginning on June 13th, our 11:00 am worship service will transition into the outdoor/parking lot worship service.

We have some exciting news, VBS is back (tentatively)!

We hope to offer Vacation Bible School June 6th - 10th from 4:45 pm – 6:00 pm (tentatively). For anyone ages Preschool through 5th grade

However in order to have VBS we need volunteers to help us with all the kiddos and activities! These can range from helping with a small snack, helping kids get from one place to the next, being an activity leader, recording the lesson skits, and so much more! Volunteers can be anyone 8th grade and older. Please contact the church office at [newlife@rtelnet.net](mailto:newlife@rtelnet.net) or reach out to your favorite Sunday school teacher to let us know if you can hep.

Thank you for your consideration,  
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