



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

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New Life Lutheran Church  
July 11, 2021

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

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

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord

**Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most Merciful God,

**we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen**

**OPENING HYMN      *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*      LBW # 367**

### **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**

O God, from you come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works. Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments; and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## First Reading: Amos 7:7-15

<sup>7</sup>This is what [the Lord God] showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup>And the LORD said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then the Lord said,

"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; <sup>9</sup>the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword." <sup>10</sup>Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup>For thus Amos has said, 'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.'" <sup>12</sup>And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; <sup>13</sup>but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom." <sup>14</sup>Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, <sup>15</sup>and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

## Psalm: Psalm 85:8-13

<sup>8</sup>I will listen to what the LORD God is saying; for you speak peace to your faithful people and to those who turn their hearts to you.

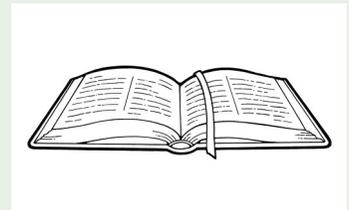
<sup>9</sup>**Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,  
that your glory may dwell in our land.**

<sup>10</sup>Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

<sup>11</sup>**Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.**

<sup>12</sup>The LORD will indeed grant prosperity,  
and our land will yield its increase.

<sup>13</sup>**Righteousness shall go before the LORD  
and shall prepare for God a pathway.**



## Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup>that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

## **Gospel: Mark 6:14-29**

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." <sup>15</sup>But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

<sup>17</sup>For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. <sup>18</sup>For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." <sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, <sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. <sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." <sup>23</sup>And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." <sup>24</sup>She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." <sup>25</sup>Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." <sup>26</sup>The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup>Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, <sup>28</sup>brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

## **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

### **SERMON**

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Faith of Our Fathers*

**LBW # 500**

**OFFERING** (Indoor worship: offering box is located near double doors of the sanctuary. Outdoor worship: an offering bucket is near the front entrance)

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Merciful Father,

**we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## **APOSTLES' CREED (In Unison)**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.**

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**



## **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:      *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*      **LBW # 315****

## **BENEDICTION**

The blessing of God,  
who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us,  
be upon you now and forever.

**Amen.**

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH**

- July 11th** - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany  
9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life  
10:00 am Indoor/Outdoor simultaneous worship at New Life  
11:00 am Outdoor Worship at New Life
- July 14th** - 5:15 pm Brats & Bible Study  
6:30 pm NLLC Council meeting
- July 18th** - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany  
9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life  
10:00 am Indoor/Outdoor simultaneous worship at New Life  
11:00 am Outdoor Worship at New Life  
7:30 pm Youth Movie Night at New Life
- July 21st** - 5:15 pm Brats & Bible Study
- July 25th** - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany  
9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life  
10:00 am Indoor/Outdoor simultaneous worship at New Life  
11:00 am Outdoor Worship at New Life  
11:00 am ELCA Youth Gathering Informational Meeting

### **Wanted**

Contemporary Worship  
Coordinator.  
If interested contact the  
church office.  
newlife@rtelnet.net  
867-6557

### **July Office Manager Hours**

The office will be open 10:00 am to 2:30 pm on:  
Monday, July 12th - Wednesday, July 14th  
Wednesday, July 21st - Friday, July 23rd  
Monday, July 26th - Wednesday, July 28th

### **Brats & Bible Study**

Join us Wednesday evenings at 5:15 pm  
July 7th, 14th, 21st, & 28th.  
This Bible study will be led by Pastor Randy.  
Brats and fixings will be provided.

Are you interested in getting back into Bible  
study or being part of a prayer chain? Contact  
the church office if you would like more  
information or to express your interest!

**Youth Movie Night**

July 18th

Youth grades 6th - 12th

At New Life Lutheran

7:30 pm

Popcorn and drinks provided.  
Feel free to bring your favorite snack.

There are a number of kitchen items, jackets, hats, etc. that have been left at the church. If you think any of these might be yours, please come take a look to pick them up and take them home. They will be set in the Heritage Room through the month of July. After that, all items left will be donated to The Attic.

**Rothsay Round-Up Breakfast**

\*Free will donation\*

Saturday July 31st

7:30 am - 9:30 am or until we run out.

At New Life Lutheran Church

Don't have time to sit down and eat?

To-go boxes will be available!

**ELCA Youth Gathering Parent/Student Meeting**

July 25th

For youth ages 8th - 12th grade in the 2021 school year. Following the 10am indoor worship in the fellowship hall at New Life

This will be an informational meeting with parents and students interested in attending the ELCA Youth gathering in July of 2022. If your child is interesting in attending the gathering we strongly encourage you both to participate in this meeting.