



New Life Lutheran Church  
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*“Disciples of Jesus Growing Disciples of Jesus”*

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New Life Lutheran Church

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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**

*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**

*This Is My Father's World*

**LBW #**

**Temporary Hymnal pg. 26**

## 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

All-powerful God, in Jesus Christ you turned death into life and defeat into victory. Increase our faith and trust in him, that we may triumph over all evil in the strength of the same Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## First Reading: Genesis 3:8-15

<sup>8</sup>[Adam and Eve] heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.<sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?"<sup>10</sup>He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself."<sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?"<sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate."<sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent tricked me, and I ate."

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,  
cursed are you among all animals  
and among all wild creatures;  
upon your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and hers;  
he will strike your head,  
and you will strike his heel."

## Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13--5:1

<sup>13</sup>Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, <sup>14</sup>because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. <sup>15</sup>Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup>So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. <sup>17</sup>For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, <sup>18</sup>because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

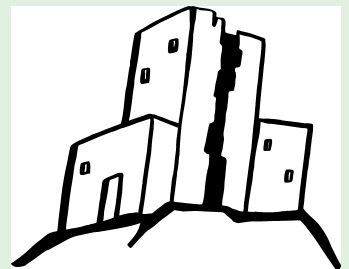
<sup>5:1</sup>For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

## Gospel: Mark 3:20-35

[Jesus went home;] <sup>20</sup>and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. <sup>21</sup>When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." <sup>22</sup>And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." <sup>23</sup>And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? <sup>24</sup>If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. <sup>25</sup>And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. <sup>26</sup>And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. <sup>27</sup>But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

<sup>28</sup>"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; <sup>29</sup>but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—<sup>30</sup>for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

<sup>31</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. <sup>32</sup>A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." <sup>33</sup>And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" <sup>34</sup>And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! <sup>35</sup>Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."



## SERMON

**OFFERING** [The Offering can be placed in the bucket near the front entrance of the church]

## THE PRAYERS

### HOLY COMMUNION

#### 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: *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*      LBW #  
Temporary Hymnal pg. 16

### 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**

**June 6th** - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany  
10:00 am Indoor/Outdoor simultaneous worship at  
New Life

**June 6th - June 10th** - 4:45 pm - 6:00pm Vacation Bible School  
(New Location: Now being held at New Life Lutheran Church)

**June 13th** - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany  
10:00 am Indoor/Outdoor simultaneous worship at  
New Life

11:00 am Outdoor Worship at New Life

7:00 pm Bonfire for Grades 6 - 8

8:00 pm Bonfire for Grades 9 - 12

**June 15th** - 9:00 am NLLC WELCA "Love Days"

**June 16th** - 9:00 am NLLC WELCA "Love Days"

6:30 pm NLLC Council Meeting

**June 20th - Happy Father's Day!**

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

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

11:00 am Outdoor Worship at New Life

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

Beginning on June 6th, the 10:00 am worship service will transition to indoor worship. This worship service will still be broadcast through the radio, to the parking lot for those who would like to remain outdoors. 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 comfortability reasons, beginning on June 13th, our 11:00 am worship service will transition into the outdoor/parking lot worship service.

### IMPORTANT VBS UPDATE!

The odds are not working out in our favor for weather for having VBS at east park. We have made the decision to move VBS back over to the church for the week just to avoid the hassle of seeing what the weather will give us each day.

Hope to see everyone at the church at 4:45 pm on Sunday!

Pastor Randy will be on vacation  
Until June 8th.

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

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

*There will not be an 11:00 am service.*

*WELCA "Love Days"*

*June 15th & 16th*

*9:00 am to 3:00 pm*

*Bring a sack lunch*

### Youth Bonfire

June 13th

7pm-8pm Grades 6th-8th

8pm-9pm Grades 9th-12th

Bring your friends and roasting sticks if readily available!  
All other ingredients and supplies will be provided.

## **Indoor Worship Time Update**

**Little Bethany Lutheran Church indoor worship Sunday at 8:45 am**

**New Life Lutheran Church simultaneous indoor/outdoor worship Sunday at 10:00 am**

**New Life Lutheran Church outdoor worship Sunday at 11:00 am (beginning June 13th)**

We appreciate your cooperation and willingness to follow the guidance provided to us from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). With everyone's compliance the indoor worship services will be reasonably safe and hopefully comfortable for all to attend. Here are the practices that will allow us to have indoor worship:

\*While the mask mandate has been lifted by the Governor, for those who are vaccinated, many of our younger members have not yet had access to the vaccine. So, 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 mask.

\*All people entering the building will need to sign in and provide a contact number. This is for contact tracing should the church be informed that someone attending has been diagnosed with COVID-19.

\*Congregational singing is now allowed, if masked, as long as there is 6 ft. distance between households.

**For those who are uncomfortable with returning to indoor worship, we will be broadcasting the 10:00 am indoor worship service over the radio into the parking lot. In addition to the 10:00am indoor service being broadcast into the parking lot each Sunday, beginning June 13th we will be adding an outdoor only service at 11:00 am for those who would like to continue seeing Pastor Randy. The online live stream will continue at the new time of 10:00 am.**

**Thank you for your continued patience and understanding in these challenging times!**