



New Life Lutheran Church
Pastor Randy Whitehead

"Disciples of Jesus Growing Disciples of Jesus"

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September 19, 2021

Pastor: Randy Whitehead

Readers: Gavin Toso, Joshua Honer,

Preston Curtis, Addison Fetterer, &

Dylan Christenson

Organist: Joyce Peterson

**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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.

Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

God our comforter:

like lost sheep, we have gone astray.

We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.

We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.

We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.

Free us from our sin, gracious God.

Listen when we call out to you for help.

Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Amen.

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.

Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN *O Master, Let Me Walk with You* LBW # 492

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

Gavin Toso

**O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as
beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may
walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus
Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

First Reading: Jeremiah 11:18-20

Joshua Honer

¹⁸It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. ¹⁹But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!" ²⁰But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Psalm: Psalm 54

Preston Curtis

¹Save me, O God, by your name;
in your might, defend my cause.

²**Hear my prayer, O God;
give ear to the words of my mouth.**

³For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless have sought my life,
those who have no regard for God.

⁴**Behold, God is my helper;
it is the Lord who sustains my life.**

⁵Render evil to those who spy on me;
in your faithfulness, destroy them.

⁶**I will offer you a freewill sacrifice
and praise your name, O LORD, for it is good.**

⁷For you have rescued me from every trouble,
and my eye looks down on my enemies.

Second Reading: James 3:13--4:3, 7-8a

Addison Fetterer

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. ^{4:}

¹Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ²You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ^{8a}Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37

Jessica Nelson

³⁰[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;³¹ for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

CHILDREN'S SERMON - Lead by Jessica Nelson

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Children of the Heavenly Father verses 1 & 2* **LBW # 474**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH / RITE OF CONFIRMATION

HYMN OF THE DAY *Children of the Heavenly Father verses 3 & 4* **LBW # 474**

OFFERING

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**

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

Battle Hymn of the Republic

LBW # 332

BENEDICTION

Dylan Christenson

People of God,
you are Christ's body,
bringing new life to a suffering world.
The holy Trinity, one God,
bless you now and forever.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.
Thanks be to God.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

September 19th - Confirmation Sunday

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany
9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life
9:00 am Sunday School at New Life
10:00 am Worship at New Life with Confirmation

September 22nd - 5:15 pm Brats & Bible Study

5:30 pm Confirmation
7:00 pm Confirmation

September 26th - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life
9:00 am Sunday School at New Life
10:00 am Worship at New Life
2:00 pm New Life Youth & WELCA LWR Packing

September 27th - 4:30 pm Tai Ji Quan

September 29th - 5:15 pm Brats & Bible Study

5:30 pm Confirmation
7:00 pm Confirmation

September 30th - 4:30 pm Tai Ji Quan

“God’s Work. Our Hands.”

Our church-and our world- continue to live through the COVID-19 pandemic. Physical distancing has changed the way we worship and serve. **But the need is great, and God’s church is at work.** With that in mind, we searched for a safe service project to support our neighbors during these times. We decided on the **“Birthday Party in a Bag”** that we can deliver to our local food shelves. The food shelves are excited to be able to give these to their families with children to help them celebrate their birthday in a fun and special way. We are asking that each member of every age consider participating in this project. (See examples in the hallway and the full details in the September Newsletter.)

Brats & Bible Study

Join us Wednesday evenings at 5:15 pm

Through September.

This Bible study will be led by Pastor Randy.
Brats and fixings will be provided.

Rothsay Lions Pork Feed
At New Life Lutheran
Church
October 1st

Tai Ji Quan: Moving For Better Balance Classes

When: Mondays & Thursdays at 4:30 pm

Dates: Monday Sept. 27th - Thursday December 9th.

Location: New Life Lutheran Church

102 Main Ave West, Rothsay, MN

To register contact Marlys Winkels of Partners Living at Home/Block Nurse Program at 218-867-1234

Youth grades 6 - 12 and WELCA will be having a service opportunity on

September 26th at 2:00 pm

Together we will be packing backpacks for Luther World Relief.

This is a great opportunity for Confirmation students to get some service points!