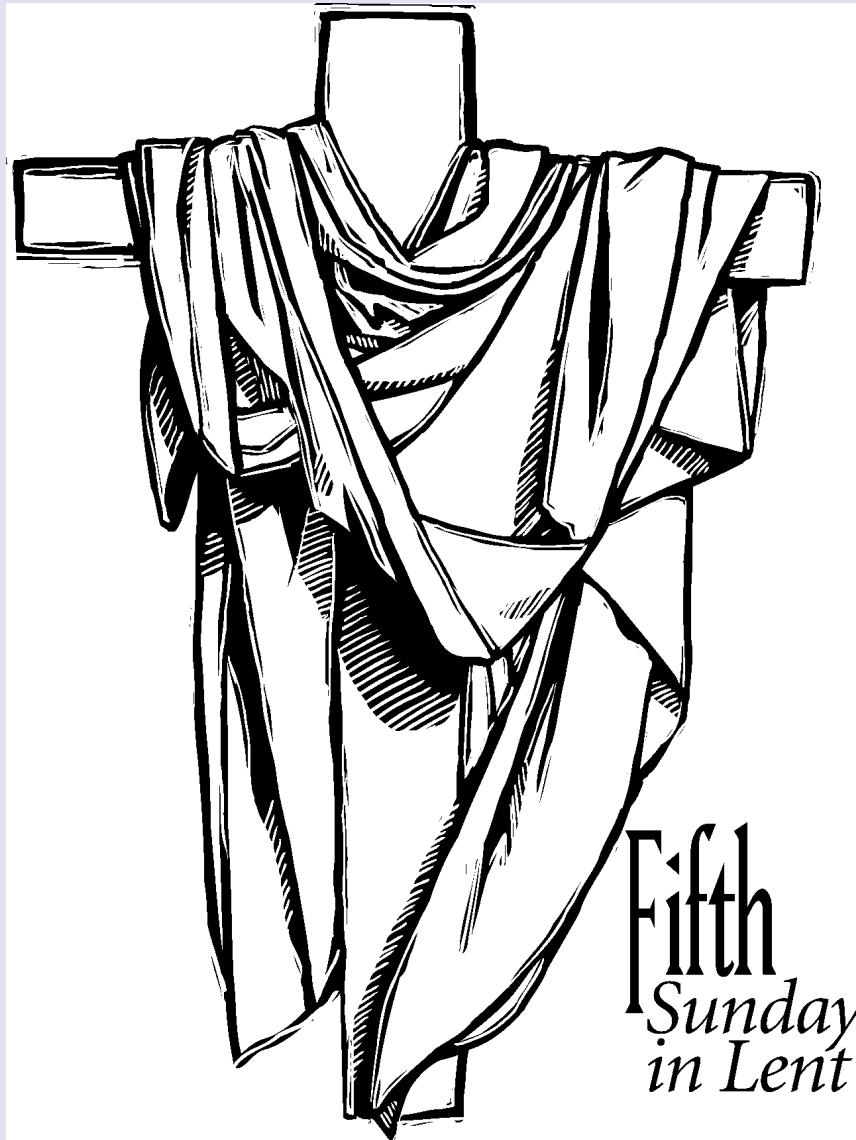




April 3, 2022
Fifth Sunday of Lent



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

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April 3, 2022

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Reader: Jessica Nelson

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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

In the name of God,
who makes a way in the wilderness,
walks with us,
and guides us in our pilgrimage.

Amen.

Holy One,
**we confess that we have wandered far from you:
we have not trusted your promises,
we have ignored your prophets in our own day,
we have squandered our inheritance of grace,
we have failed to recognize you in our midst.**

Have mercy on us!

Forgive us and turn us again to you.

**Teach us to follow in your ways,
assure us again of your love,
and help us to love our neighbor.**

Amen.

Beloved in Christ,
the Word draws near to you,
and all who call out to God shall be saved.
In Jesus, God comes to you again and again
and gathers you under wings of love.
In Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven.
God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN

All Creatures of Our God and King
(verses 1,3,5,&7)

LBW # 527

GREETING

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

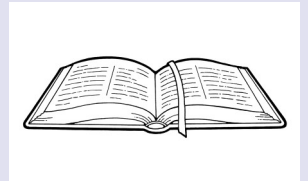
And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,
¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. ¹⁹I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.



Psalm: Psalm 126

- ¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
then were we like ¹ those who dream.
- ²**Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations, “The LORD has done great things for them.”**
- ³The LORD has done great things for us,
and we are glad indeed.
- ⁴**Restore our fortunes, O LORD,
like the watercourses of the Negeb.**
- ⁵Those who sowed with tears
will reap with songs of joy.
- ⁶**Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed,
will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.**

Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14

[Paul writes:] ^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: John 12:1-8

¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

CHILDRENS SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Master, Let Me Walk with You

LBW # 492

OFFERING (Offering will be received during the hymn of the day)
You can use the QR code to give online

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Blessed Jesus,
in this rich meal of grace,
you have fed us with your body, the bread of life.
Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope
to a world in need.
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

HOLY COMMUNION THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

THE DISTRIBUTION

SENDING HYMN *The Church's One Foundation*

LBW # 369

BENEDICTION

You are children of God,
anointed with the oil of gladness
and strengthened for the journey.

Almighty God,
motherly, majestic, and mighty,
bless you this day and always.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.
Thanks be to God.

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH

April 3rd - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship at New Life

April 4th - 4:30 pm Tai Ji Quan

April 5th - 8:30 am ACT testing

April 6th - 9:00 am WELCA Quilting Day

5:30 pm Lasagna & Salad served by New Life Youth

6:45 pm Lenten Worship

April 7th - 4:30 pm Tai Ji Quan

April 8th - Tour of Tables set up

April 9th - Tour of Tables

2:30 pm Youth Grades 6-8 Our Saviors & Hamar Cemetery clean-up

4:00 pm Youth Grades 9-12 Friborg Cemetery clean-up

April 10th - Palm Sunday

8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship at New Life Sunday School Sings

Lenten schedule

April 6th - Lasagna & salad supper served by New Life Youth at 5:30 - 6:30 pm.
Worship at 6:45 pm.

Holy Week

April 14th - Maundy Thursday

Worship at 6:45 pm at Little Bethany

April 15th - Good Friday

Community Worship at 7:00 pm at the Baptist Church

April 17th - Easter Sunday

Easter Breakfast served by the Youth at 8:30 am - 9:40 am

Worship at Little Bethany at 8:45 am

Worship at New Life at 10:00 am

Youth Meal Donations

The NLLC youth will be serving lasagna & salad on April 6th.

Youth will also be serving egg bake for Easter breakfast on April 17th at 8:30 am

Please sign up to bring items for these meals on Jessica's door.

Thank you from the family of Phyllis Balken for your support, kindness, and participation in memory of Phyllis.

Also, Thank you to the men and women of the service group for serving the meal.

Mercy Me is coming to Fargo on Friday, April 22nd at 7:00 pm. Tickets range from \$15.00 - \$25.00 plus fees. If you or anyone in your family would like to attend, sign up on Jessica's door no later than today.

WELCA Quilting

WELCA will meet for a quilting day on

Wednesday, April 6th

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

A pizza lunch will be provided by Janice Rudh.

Youth Cemetery

Clean-up

April 9th

2:00 - 3:30 pm Grades 6-8 will clean-up Hamar and Our saviors cemeteries.

4:00 - 5:00 pm Grades 9-12 will clean-up Friborg cemetery.

This is a good opportunity for confirmation students to earn service hours. You could also bring your mentor and use it as a mentor meeting!

Rothsay Fire Department



Pancake Feed

Bake Sale

Free Will Donation

When: **April 10th 9:00am-1:00pm**

Where: **Rothsay Fire Hall**