



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

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS [Leader-fine print, Congregation-Bold Print]

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
whose steadfast love endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.  
Merciful God,

**we confess that we have not followed your path  
but have chosen our own way.**

**Instead of putting others before ourselves,  
we long to take the best seats at the table.**

**When met by those in need,  
we have too often passed by on the other side.**

**Set us again on the path of life.**

**Save us from ourselves  
and free us to love our neighbors.**

**Amen.**

Hear the good news!

God does not deal with us according to our sins  
but delights in granting pardon and mercy.

In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven.

You are free to love as God loves.

**Amen.**

### OPENING HYMN

*Thy Holy Wings*

**WOV # 741**

### 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 (In unison)

Benevolent God, **you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

## First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

<sup>2</sup>Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

<sup>12</sup>I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, <sup>13</sup>applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. <sup>14</sup>I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

<sup>2:18</sup>I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me <sup>19</sup>—and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. <sup>20</sup>So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, <sup>21</sup>because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. <sup>22</sup>What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? <sup>23</sup>For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

## Psalm: Psalm 49:1-12 [Responsive Reading: Leader-fine print, **Congregation-Bold Print**]

<sup>1</sup>Hear this, all you peoples;

give ear, all you who dwell in the world,

<sup>2</sup>**you of high degree and low,  
rich and poor together.**

<sup>3</sup>My mouth shall speak of wisdom,  
and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

<sup>4</sup>**I will incline my ear to a proverb  
and set forth my riddle upon the harp.**

<sup>5</sup>Why should I be afraid in evil days,  
when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

<sup>6</sup>**the wickedness of those who put their trust in their own prowess,  
and boast of their great riches?**

<sup>7</sup>One can never redeem another,  
or give to God the ransom for another's life;

<sup>8</sup>**for the ransom of a life is so great  
that there would never be enough to pay it,**

<sup>9</sup>in order to live forever and ever  
and never see the grave.

<sup>10</sup>**For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish  
and leave their wealth to those who come after them.**

<sup>11</sup>Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation, though they had named lands after themselves.

<sup>12</sup>**Even though honored, they cannot live forever;  
they are like the beasts that perish.**



## **Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-11**

<sup>1</sup>So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup>Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup>On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup>These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup>But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup>In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

## **Gospel: Luke 12:13-21**

<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” <sup>14</sup>But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” <sup>16</sup>Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup>And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ <sup>18</sup>Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup>And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ <sup>20</sup>But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ <sup>21</sup>So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

## **CHILDRENS SERMON**

## **SERMON**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**     *Let Justice Flow like Streams*     **WOV # 763**

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

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Heavenly Father,  
you have given us riches beyond measure.  
Bless our offerings and help us to use them wisely in your  
service and for your glory. 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.**

**BENEDICTION**

The God of peace,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless you, comfort you,  
and show you the path of life  
this day and always.

**Amen.**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Love your neighbor.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH**

**July 31st** - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany  
9:00 am Coffee Hour  
10:00 am Worship at New Life

**August 1st - 3rd** - Patrice will be in the office from 10:30 am - 2:30 pm

**August 4th** - Patrice will be out of the office

**August 7th** - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany with Holy Communion  
9:00 am Coffee Hour  
10:00 am Worship at New Life With Holy Communion

## Youth Lock-in

Grades 6-12

7:00 pm Friday, August 19th - 10:00 am Saturday, August 20th

We will kick off the lock-in at 7:00 pm on Friday with a bonfire then spend the night in the church playing games and having fun! Bring a friend or two to join in the fun!

The cost is \$10.00 per person to cover the cost of food and supplies, if cost is an issue, please let Jessica know.

A sign-up sheet will be located on Jessica's office door.

### *Teachers Needed*

We are looking for volunteers to donate 2 - 5 hours a month to be music leaders, Sunday school teachers, or Sunday school subs for the 2022-2023 year!

If you are interested please contact  
Steph Olson, Hillary Langfeld,  
Missy Amundson, or the church office.



Sunday,  
September 11th

Sunday school will  
kick off the year at  
9:00 am

Join us after church  
for lunch and carnival  
games!

# Rally

SUNDAY

### **Compassionate Care Bags**

New Life Lutheran Church Community Care Committee has come up with a way for our members to take part in a project to show love and support for others in need. This Mission is to uplift and encourage our neighbors, friends, and family undergoing cancer and other long-term treatments.

Here is a list of items they are seeking for donations:

- Devotional
- Chapstick
- Water Bottle
- Lemon drops/Hard candy
- Unscented hand sanitizer
- Comfy socks
- Unscented hand lotion
- Journal/notepad
- Pens/Colored pencils, something fun to write with
- Puzzle books/Brainteasers/Magazines/Coloring or activity book for adults
- Pedometer
- Snacks
- Ginger snaps, Ginger chews, or Ginger Tea (For nausea)
- Handwritten note
- Prayer Shawl

Lastly, your family member or friend may really appreciate a handwritten note from you expressing your love and encouragement as they fight their disease. This shows them that you are thinking of them and that you are there for them.

All donations can be left underneath the table outside of the fellowship hall.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

- Community Care Committee (formerly the Evangelism, Family life, & social concerns committee)