



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

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**New Life Lutheran Church**

**October 23, 2022**

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Readers: Joyce Peterson

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## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,  
who is eager to forgive  
and who loves us beyond our days.

**Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge  
our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

God of mercy and forgiveness,  
**we confess that sin still has a hold on us.**

**We have harmed your good creation.**

**We have failed to do justice,  
love kindness,**

**and walk humbly with you.**

**Turn us in a new direction.**

**Show us the path that leads to life.**

**Be our refuge and strength on the journey,  
through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.**

**Amen.**

Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven and you are made whole.

God points the way to new life in Christ,  
who meets us on the road.

Journey now in God's abiding love  
through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **OPENING HYMN**

***You Servants of God***

**LBW # 252**

## **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)

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### First Reading: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22

<sup>7</sup>Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O LORD, for your name's sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have sinned against you. <sup>8</sup>O hope of Israel, its savior in time of trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a traveler turning aside for the night? <sup>9</sup>Why should you be like someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help? Yet you, O LORD, are in the midst of us, and we are called by your name; do not forsake us!

<sup>10</sup>Thus says the LORD concerning this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not restrained their feet; therefore the LORD does not accept them, now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins.

<sup>19</sup>Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing for us? We look for peace, but find no good;

for a time of healing, but there is terror instead. <sup>20</sup>We acknowledge our wickedness, O LORD, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have sinned against you. <sup>21</sup>Do not spurn us, for your name's sake; do not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break your covenant with us. <sup>22</sup>Can any idols of the nations bring rain? Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O LORD our God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.



### Psalm: Psalm 84:1-7

<sup>1</sup>How dear to me is your dwelling,  
O LORD of hosts!

<sup>2</sup>**My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;  
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.**

<sup>3</sup>Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest where she may lay  
her young, by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my king and my God.

<sup>4</sup>**Happy are they who dwell in your house!  
They will always be praising you.**

<sup>5</sup>Happy are the people whose strength is in you,  
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.

<sup>6</sup>**Those who go through the balsam valley will find it a place of springs,  
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.**

<sup>7</sup>They will climb from height to height,  
and the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

## **Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**

<sup>6</sup>As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. <sup>7</sup>I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup>From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

<sup>16</sup>At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! <sup>17</sup>But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. <sup>18</sup>The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **Gospel: Luke 18:9-14**

<sup>9</sup>[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: <sup>10</sup>“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup>The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup>I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ <sup>13</sup>But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ <sup>14</sup>I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

## **CHILDRENS SERMON**

## **SERMON**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*Just as I Am, without One Plea*

**LBW # 296**

**OFFERING** (Offering will be received during the hymn of the day)  
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**OFFERTORY PRAYER** (In unison)

Gracious God, in your great love you richly provide for our needs. Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing, and make us ready to share with all in need; through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

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**

God, who gives life to all things  
and frees us from despair,  
bless you with truth and peace.  
And may the holy Trinity, one God,  
guide you always in faith, hope, and love.  
**Amen**

**DISMISSAL**

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH**

**October 23rd** - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour

10:00 am Worship at New Life

11:00 am Youth Ronald McDonald treat packing

**October 24th** - 8:30 am Tai Ji Quan

**October 26th** - 5:30 pm Confirmation

6:30 pm WOW

7:00 pm Confirmation

**October 27th** - 8:30 am Tai Ji Quan

12:00 pm Bible Study

**October 30th** - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany

9:00 am Coffee Hour

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00 am Worship at New Life, 3rd Graders receive their Bibles

## October Service Event

October 23rd packing treat bags for the Ronald McDonald house, following worship, around 11:00 am.

Goal: 24 bags as that's how many families they are equipped to host each night.

Donations needed include:

Books, puzzles, mazes, mad libs, boxes of crayons, colored pencils, small notepads, or individually packaged snacks (popcorn, gold fish, fruit snacks, cookies, pretzels, chips, m&m's, rice crispy bars, granola bars, pop tarts, etc.) Money towards purchasing supplies is also welcome.

Jess and the youth will pack the treat bags following worship on the 23rd and up to 4 youth will join her in dropping them off and getting a tour of the Ronald McDonald house in Fargo.

3rd Grade parents, please remember to return their Bibles to the church by October 26th. They will be presented with their Bibles during worship on October 30th.

## Bible Study

Join Pastor Randy on **Thursdays** at 12:00 pm. We will be covering the Gospel of John.

Soup will be provided each week, feel free to bring a dish to share if desired.

\*Please note the date change from the Newsletter. Bible Study will be held on Thursdays in October.



When: Monday, October 31st

Time: 5:30-6:30 pm

Where: New Life Lutheran Church parking lot

For more information or to reserve a spot for your decorated vehicle, contact Heather Reber at [hreber@rothsaystaff.org](mailto:hreber@rothsaystaff.org) or 218-867-2116

