

Church Calendar this week

Sunday, April 19

Pastor Randy on Vacation

8:45 am Little Bethany Worship
9:00 am Coffee Hour (NL)
9:00 am Sunday School (NL)
10:00 am New Life Worship
Cemetery Clean up & VBS Planning
Meeting following Worship

Monday, April 20

Pastor Randy on Vacation

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan
6:30 pm Lions Club Meeting

Tuesday, April 21

Pastor Randy on Vacation

Wednesday, April 22

Pastor Randy on Vacation

Thursday, April 23

Pastor Randy on Vacation

9:00 am Tai Ji Quan

Friday, April 24

No activities

Saturday, April 25

10:00 am Buckingham Baby Shower

Sunday, April 26

8:45 am Little Bethany Worship
9:00 am Coffee Hour (NL)
9:00 am Sunday School (NL)
10:00 am New Life Worship

has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!"³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY—LBW#352

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

OFFERING

THE PRAYERS

HOLY COMMUNION

The Words of Institution and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, Blessing, and Prayer

THE BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN—LBW #145

"Thine is the Glory"

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Third Sunday of Easter

19 April 2026

PRELUDE:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

Amen.

Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves.

We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

You guide us to springs of the water of life.

Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

Amen.

OPENING HYMN—LBW #557

"Let All Things Now Living"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, your Son makes himself known to all his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: **Acts 2:14a, 36-41**

^{14a} Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: ³⁶ "Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified." ³⁷ Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to



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Publication Deadlines:

Sunday announcements - Tuesday A.M.,

Newsletter - 19th of the month

Today's gospel begins with two disciples walking to Emmaus, overcome with sadness, loss, and disappointment. They had hoped Jesus, who was crucified, would be the one to redeem Israel! Yet the risen Christ walks with them and then opens their eyes in the breaking of the bread. Each Sunday our hearts burn within us as the scriptures are proclaimed and Christ appears to us as bread is broken and wine is poured. The story of Emmaus becomes the pattern of our worship each Lord's day.

Thank you to:

Organist:

Joyce Peterson

Reader:

Carol Balk

Sound System:

Jennifer Honer



Announcements

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New Life Lutheran Church Scholarships

Three scholarships are available for NLLC student members.

Arne S. Brenden Christian Education Scholarship provides financial assistance to students of a Christian college or seminary, or who are pursuing a career in the ministry or Christian education.

The **Thor Sorum Lutheran Seminary Scholarship** provides financial assistance to students at any Lutheran Seminary in the US.

The **Hamar-Haas Scholarship** is available one time to any full-time post-secondary student who is a member of New Life Lutheran Church. All three scholarships require students to be enrolled in the subsequent term.

Deadline for application is May 1 and applicants will be notified by **June 1**.

Application is available at the church office.



Mission Quilters
Mark your calendars!
The Mission Quilters will meet on the following dates in 2026:
May 12th & 13th
June 10th
TIME: 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Note: Please bring a bag lunch.

Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?”³⁸ Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”³⁹ For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.”⁴⁰ And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.”⁴¹ So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

PSALM: Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

¹ I love the Lord, who has heard my voice, and listened to my supplication,

² **for the Lord has given ear to me whenever I called.**

³ The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me; I came to grief and sorrow.

⁴ **Then I called upon the name of the Lord: “O Lord, I pray you, save my life.”**

¹² How shall I repay the Lord for all the good things God has done for me?

¹³ **I will lift the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God’s people.

¹⁵ **Precious in your sight, O Lord, is the death of your servants.**

¹⁶ O Lord, truly I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me from my bonds.

¹⁷ **I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call upon the name of the Lord.**

¹⁸ I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all God’s people,

¹⁹ **in the courts of the Lord’s house, in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:17-23

¹⁷ If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person’s work, live in fear during the time of your exile.¹⁸ You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish.²⁰ He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake.²¹ Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that

your trust and hope are in God.²² Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart.²³ You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

GOSPEL: Luke 24:13-35

¹³ Now on that same day two [disciples] were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem,¹⁴ and talking with each other about all these things that had happened.¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them,¹⁶ but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.¹⁷ And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad.¹⁸ Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?”¹⁹ He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him.²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.²² Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning,²³ and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive.²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.”²⁵ Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared!²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?”²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.²⁸ As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on.²⁹ But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So he went in to stay with them.³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight.³² They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?”³³ That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together.³⁴ They were saying, “The Lord

Announcements



Lutheran World Relief
Pickup - Fargo, ND
May 18-23, 2026



Lutheran World Relief
is looking for donations of the following:

- 70 Pages Notebooks (70 sheets)
- Rulers
- Pens (black or blue ink)
- Kid Scissors
- Soaps
- Bath Towels
- Baby Blankets
- Baby Supplies

Thank you for your support!