



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,  
our creator,  
our protector,  
our wellspring of life.

**Amen.**

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Merciful God,  
**you speak blessing and compassion into the world.**

**Forgive us for the ways we act  
with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.**

**We ignore the needs of our neighbors;  
we resist your call to oppose injustice;  
we give in to scarcity and fear;  
we assume the worst about one another.**

**Cleanse us from our faults  
and release us from their grasp.**

**Show us your lovingkindness.**

**Restore our hearts and repair your world,  
that we may live in Christ's ways.**

**Amen.**

God proclaims these words of assurance:

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name. You are mine.”

In Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,  
live anew as beloved children of God.

**Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY** (In unison)

**Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

**First Reading: Isaiah 62:1-5**

<sup>1</sup> For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch.

<sup>2</sup> The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. <sup>3</sup> You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. <sup>4</sup> You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married.

<sup>5</sup> For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

**Psalm: Psalm 36:5-10** [Leader-fine print, **Congregation-Bold Print**]

<sup>5</sup> Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,  
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

<sup>6</sup> **Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you save humankind and animals, O Lord.**

<sup>7</sup> How priceless is your love, O God!

All people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

<sup>8</sup> **They feast upon the abundance of your house;  
you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

<sup>9</sup> For with you is the well of life,  
and in your light we see light.

<sup>10</sup> **Continue your lovingkindness to those who know you,  
and your favor to those who are true of heart.**



## **Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. <sup>2</sup> You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. <sup>3</sup> Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says “Let Jesus be cursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup> Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; <sup>5</sup> and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; <sup>6</sup> and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. <sup>7</sup> To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. <sup>8</sup> To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup> to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, <sup>10</sup> to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup> All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

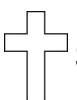


## **Gospel: John 2:1-11**

<sup>1</sup> On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, “They have no wine.” <sup>4</sup> And Jesus said to her, “Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.” <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” <sup>6</sup> Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, “Fill the jars with water.” And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup> He said to them, “Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.” So they took it. <sup>9</sup> When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup> and said to him, “Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.” <sup>11</sup> Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.



## **CHILDRENS SERMON**



## **SERMON**



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



**OFFERTORY PRAYER** (In unison)

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens,  
and your abundance to the depths of the seas.

Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and  
our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always.

**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.**

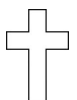
**He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**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



## BENEDICTION

The Spirit of the triune God  
bless you with joy,  
anoint you with compassion,  
and send you in love.  
**Amen.**



## SENDING HYMN

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*

**LBW # 551**



## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Live in hope.  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE PARISH**

**January 19th** - 8:45 am Worship at Little Bethany  
9:00 am Coffee Hour at New Life  
10:00 am Worship at New Life  
11:15 am Youth lunch & escape room

**January 20th - Martin Luther King Jr. Day**  
6:30 pm Lions club meeting

**January 22nd** - 5:30 pm Confirmation  
5:30 pm Young Women's fellowship

**January 24th - 26th Confirmation Retreat**

**January 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  
11:15 am Youth lunch & escape room

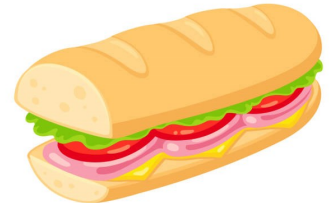
### **January Office Manager Hours:**

Jan. 21st - 24th 1 pm to 3:30 pm

Jan. 28th - 30th 1 pm to 3:30 pm

### **Fundraiser!**

Super Bowl Subs are once again on the menu.  
Get your order in on the sign up sheet by January 26th to  
secure yours! Checks can be made out to New Life Lutheran  
Youth.



Thanks again for making this a fantastic fundraiser last year and we hope to be a  
part of your Super Bowl Celebrations again this year!

### **New Life Annual Meeting**

The New Life annual meeting will be held on  
February 2nd following worship.

Please get reports to Patrice as soon as they are  
available. The report deadline was January 15th.

Emailed ([newlife@rtelnet.net](mailto:newlife@rtelnet.net)) or digital copies  
preferred.



### **Young Women's Fellowship**

will meet on Wednesday, January 22 at 5:30 in the Heritage room

at New Life Lutheran Church.

Please join us for fun, fellowship and faith!

### **Winter Confirmation retreat!**

**January 24-26** in Brainerd, MN.  
Open to all 7-8 grader AND  
PARENT CHAPERONES!

Let's relax at the hotel, let loose in the water park, and dive into the word of God while we catch our breath between laughs and lazy river races.

### **Open House**

Joyce Peterson is turning 70 years old!

You are invited to help celebrate Joyce with an open house in her honor!

**When:** February 1st

**Time:** 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Where:** New Life Lutheran Church

“70”  
WHOLE YEARS  
OF BEING  
AWESOME

### **The Meatball supper is being planned for March 29th!**

We need your help! We are looking for volunteers to help with the following areas to help the meatball supper have another successful year:

- Silent auction coordinator
- Bake Sale coordinator
- Volunteers to serve the meal  
(we have two shifts)
- Volunteers to set up
- Volunteers to clean up
- Volunteers to clear tables  
(we have two shifts)
- Volunteers to help recruit helpers  
(for the jobs above)



If you are interested in any of the opportunities above to help make the Meatball Supper a success please contact Heather Nelson, Steph Olson, or contact the church office.