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A Congregation of Welcome, Grace, Faith and Promise

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**Second Sunday After  
Epiphany**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## We're Glad You're Joining Us This Morning!

### Praying the Psalms

As we return to livestream—only for worship, we are adding a time of prayerful reflection to our Sundays together. Join us via Zoom on Sunday mornings at 8:45 am for Praying the Psalms. The link can be found in the News to Know emails. Some of you may remember that several years ago Jessicah Duckworth led us with this weekly devotion in which we read and prayed a psalm each week prior to worship, Please mark your calendar and join us before worship beginning next Sunday.

Join us after worship at 10:45am for a **Sunday Morning Zoom Fellowship Meeting**. Our two interns, Cory and Emily, will be joining us each Sunday! It is a great way to get to know them better, and to catch up with your other New Joy friends! You can find the link to the coffee hour in our Friday News to Know emails. So jump on after worship and get to know our new interns!

Join us each Wednesday at 1pm for our **Midweek Bible Study**. The link to the Zoom meeting will be in Tuesday's News to Know. All are welcome to join in! The upcoming Sunday scripture will be discussed.

Registration for the 2021-2022 Preschool year is now open for any New Joy Partner or current student who would like to enroll. Registration for the community will open on Monday, January 25. So if you would like your child to attend the New Joy Preschool, be sure to register early!

Annual Congregational Meeting is coming up! On Sunday, January 31, we will hold our annual Congregational Meeting via Zoom this year. The annual report will be available in the January 26 News to Know. There will also be paper copies at the church for anyone who would like to pick up a paper copy. More information on this meeting, and the link for the meeting, will be forthcoming in the next couple of weeks.



## The Church Still Gathers

# **Prelude**

## **Words of Welcome**

### **This Little Light Of Mine (ELW 677)**

This little light of mine,  
I'm goin' a let it shine;  
this little light of mine,  
I'm goin' a let it shine;  
this little light of mine,  
I'm goin' a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Ev'rywhere I go,  
I'm goin' a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go,  
I'm goin' a let it shine;  
ev'rywhere I go,  
I'm goin' a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Jesus gave it to me,  
I'm goin' a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me,  
I'm goin' a let it shine;  
Jesus gave it to me,  
I'm goin' a let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

## **Opening Prayer**

### **Greeting**

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

**C:** And also with you.

## Prayer of the Day

**P:** Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen.

## Gospel

## John 1:35-51

**P:** The Holy Gospel according to St. John

**C:** Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>35</sup> The next day John was standing again with two of his disciples. <sup>36</sup> When he saw Jesus walking along he said, “Look! The Lamb of God!” <sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard what he said, and they followed Jesus.

<sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them following, he asked, “What are you looking for?”

They said, “Rabbi (which is translated *Teacher*), where are you staying?”

<sup>39</sup> He replied, “Come and see.” So they went and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon.

<sup>40</sup> One of the two disciples who heard what John said and followed Jesus was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. <sup>41</sup> He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated *Christ*). <sup>42</sup> He led him to Jesus.

Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon, son of John. You will be called Cephas” (which is translated *Peter*).

<sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus wanted to go into Galilee, and he found Philip. Jesus said to him, “Follow me.” <sup>44</sup> Philip was from Bethsaida, the hometown of Andrew and Peter.

<sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law and the Prophets: Jesus, Joseph’s son, from Nazareth.”

<sup>46</sup> Nathanael responded, “Can anything from Nazareth be good?”

Philip said, “Come and see.”

<sup>47</sup> Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said about him, “Here is a genuine Israelite in whom there is no deceit.”

<sup>48</sup> Nathanael asked him, “How do you know me?”

Jesus answered, “Before Philip called you, I saw you under the fig tree.”

<sup>49</sup> Nathanael replied, “Rabbi, you are God’s Son. You are the king of Israel.”

<sup>50</sup> Jesus answered, “Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these! <sup>51</sup> I assure you that you will see heaven open and God’s angels going up to heaven and down to earth on the Human One.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

## **Children's Message**

### **Sermon**

#### Will You Come and Follow Me (ELW 798)

Will you come and follow me

If I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know

And never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown,

Will you let my name be known,

Will you let my life be grown

In you and you in me?

Will you love the you you hide

If I but call your name?

Will you quell the fear inside

And never be the same?

Will you use the faith you've found  
To reshape the world around,  
Through my sight and touch and sound  
In you and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true  
When you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you  
And never be the same.  
In your company I'll go  
Where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow  
In you and you in me.

## **Announcements**

### **Mission Statement**

AM: In person, in spirit, and in truth, the church still gathers.

C: **New Joy Lutheran Church is a spirited community called by God to extend a radical welcome, share a generous grace, nurture a transforming faith, and live God's promise.**

*The Assisting Minister leads this portion of the service, where we proclaim our faith, renew our shared mission, lift our prayers to God, and extend God's peace with one another.*

### **Prayer**

*The Assisting Minister leads the congregation in the Prayers of the Church, giving thanks to God, and asking God's blessings for the church, the world, and all those in need. After each prayer petition, the congregation responds, "Here our prayer."*

### **Sharing God's Peace**

*We greet one another with the words "Peace be with you" now, in the middle of our worship service. We wish for each other that we'd truly experience God's presence and peace. This helps prepare us for the gift of Holy Communion. Our worship service will continue with the Offering*

AM: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: **And also with you.**

# **WE SHARE GOD'S MEAL**

## **Words of Institution**

*(To be sung as a Call and Response)*

P: In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest,

**C: In Jesus' presence now we meet and rest.**

P: In the presence of our Lord we gather,

**C: In the presence of our Lord we gather**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed,

Our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.

**C: Come, let us eat, for now the feast is spread.**

P: Our Lord's body let us take together,

**C: Our Lord's body let us take together.**

P: Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

Shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

P: Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured,

**C: Come, let us drink, for now the wine is poured.**

P: Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.

**C: Jesus' blood poured let us drink together.**

Prayer: Pour out your Holy Spirit in this meal and make us one  
in community of faith and with your people throughout  
the world.

P: Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word,  
C: Rise, then, to spread abroad God's mighty word.  
P: Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom,  
C: Jesus risen will bring in the kingdom.

Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

## **Lord's Supper**

*All are welcome to the table, where Jesus is host and offers himself to all who desire to receive. This is truly our Lord's table. We believe that Jesus shows up in this meal - in the invitation, in the bread and cup, and in the precious words that his body and blood are given and shed "for you." This meal is indeed given for you for the forgiveness of sins and as a promise of our Lord's presence with you.*

*Instructions on sharing communion at home:  
These are the gifts of God, for you the people of God, and for that we say  
Thanks be to God!*

### **Lamb Of God**

**Chorus:** Lamb of God You take away the sins of the world  
Miserere nobis  
(Repeat)

Lamb of God You take away the sins of the world  
Dona nobis pacem  
Dona nobis pacem



## Father Let Your Kingdom Come

*Chorus:* Hallelu hallelujah  
Father let Your kingdom come

May the works of my hands bring You joy  
May the works of my hands bring You joy  
May the works of my hands bring You joy  
May the works of my hands bring You joy. *Chorus*

May the words from my mouth speak Your peace  
May the words from my mouth speak Your peace  
May the words from my mouth speak Your peace  
May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.

*Bridge:* You make all things new  
You make all things new  
In places we don't choose  
You make all things new

*Chorus, Chorus*

## **WE GO OUT WITH GOD'S JOY**

### **Blessing**

P: God the creator strengthen you;  
Jesus the beloved fill you;  
And the Holy Spirit the comforter + keep you in peace.

C: Amen.

### **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Be the light of Christ.  
C: Thanks be to God.

# **Sending Song**

## **Blessed Be Your Name**

Blessed be Your name  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name

*Pre-Chorus:* Ev'ry blessing You pour out  
I'll Turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in Lord  
Still I will say

*Chorus:* Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be  
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be Your name

*Pre-Chorus:* Ev'ry blessing You pour out  
I'll Turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in Lord  
Still I will say

*Chorus:* Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name

*Bridge:* You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord blessed be Your name

*Chorus*

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## **New Joy Lutheran Church: A Spirited Community**

**New Joy Lutheran Church is a spirited community called by God to extend a radical welcome, share a generous grace, nurture a transforming faith, and live God's promise.**

### **Extend Radical Welcome**

New Joy Lutheran Church is a spirited community that welcomes, values, accepts, and nurtures all people wherever they are in their relationship with God.

### **Share Generous Grace**

New Joy Lutheran Church is a spirited community that freely proclaims that forgiveness, mercy, love, and salvation are free gifts of God's grace.

### **Nurture Transforming Faith**

New Joy Lutheran Church is a spirited community that receives faith as a gift of God that transforms us and the world.

### **Live God's Promise**

New Joy Lutheran Church is a spirited community that boldly lives in our Lord's promise of renewed and everlasting life.



### **About New Joy Lutheran Church**

New Joy Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), is a community of faith moved by God's Spirit. We come to New Joy from different places, with different life and faith experiences. What draws us together is the center – our Lord Jesus Christ – who welcomes us into a common life and transforming faith, and sends us out to share generous grace and boldly live God's promise.

