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The 7th Sunday after Epiphany
Sunday, February 20, 2022

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Welcome to worship at New Joy Lutheran Church. We are blessed by your presence among us today. This bulletin contains the outline and words for worship this morning.

Little children are always welcome – even and especially when they're a little noisy! We welcome children to toddle around, play with toys, shake tambourines, and come to the Lord's Table.

At our Lord's Table Jesus gives his own body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the intimacy of his promised presence with us. All who desire to receive our Lord are welcome. Communion is shared with bread (a wafer) and cup (grape juice). If you're uncertain about receiving or how to receive, don't hesitate to ask pastor when you come forward. You are welcome to receive a blessing or to receive the sacrament, as you feel led by the Spirit.

GATHERING

Prelude

Words of Welcome

Opening Song

Build My Life

Verse 1

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Verse 2

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Chorus

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

Bridge

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

Opening Prayer

Apostolic Greeting

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

C: **And also with you.**

Texas Kyrie

Refrain

L: Lord have mercy.

C: Lord have mercy.

L: Christ have mercy.

C: Christ have mercy.

Verse 1

L: We pray for peace from above.

We pray for our salvation. *Refrain*

Verse 2

L: We pray for peace in the world,

We pray for wellness in Your church,

We pray for unity of all. *Refrain*

Verse 3

L: We pray for this holy place.

We pray for for all who gather here. *Refrain*

Verse 4

L: Oh Lord help us, save us.

Oh Lord comfort and defend us. *Refrain*

End

L: Amen.

C: Amen.

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Prayer of the Day

P: O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WORD

Children's Message

First Reading:

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' " And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia
Lord to whom shall we go
You have the words of eternal life

Alleluia.
Glory to You,
glory to You,
Glory to You oh Lord.
Glory to You,
glory to You,
Glory to You oh Lord.

Gospel

Luke 6:27-38

P: The Holy Gospel, according to Saint Luke:

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

Jesus said: "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

"If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

R: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to You,
Praise to You,
Praise to You oh Christ.
Praise to You,
Praise to You,
Praise to You oh Christ.
Alleluia, Alleluia
Lord to whom shall we go
You have the words of eternal life
Alleluia.

Sermon

Scout Sunday

Hymn of the Day

Instruments of Your Peace

Chorus

Lord make us instruments of Your peace
Where there is hatred let Your love increase
Lord make us instruments of Your peace
Walls of pride and prejudice shall cease
When we are Your instruments of peace

Verse 1

Where there is hatred we will sow His love
Where there is injury we will never judge
Where there is striving we will speak His peace
To the people crying for release
We will be His instruments of peace

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Verse 2

Where there is blindness we will pray for sight
Where there is darkness we will shine His light
Where there is sadness we will bear their grief
To the millions crying for release
We will be His instruments of peace

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

Mission Statement

AM: Let us say together the mission we share:

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.

AM: With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the ancient words of the Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the Church

Prayers of Intercession - Each prayer petition concludes with, "God of grace." The response is, "Hear our prayer."

Sharing the Peace

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

C: And also with you.

AM: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace with those around us.

Announcements & Offering

Offering Prayer

AM: Blessed are you, O God,
Sovereign of the universe.
You offer us new beginnings
and guide us on our journey.
Lead us to your table,
nourish us with this heavenly food,
and prepare us to carry your love
to a hungry world,
in the name of Christ our light.

C: **Amen.**

MEAL

As we prepare to receive the gift of Holy Communion, we pray a table grace patterned after the great Old Testament and early church prayers that recount God's goodness and ask that such goodness would extend to us and through us now and until our Lord's promised return.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor continues with the proper preface, an opening to the eucharistic prayer. The proper preface leads us to sing, "Holy, Holy, Holy."

Holy, Holy, Holy
Holy Holy Holy Lord
Lord God of pow'r and might.
Heaven and earth are full
full of your glory
Hosanah in the highest
Hosanah in the highest
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord
Hosanah in the highest
Hosanah in the highest.

The words around the communion table conclude with the prayer Jesus taught us.

**C: 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 *(please be seated)*

All are welcome to the communion feast, for our Lord is host and gives himself to all who desire to receive. Those not receiving Holy Communion are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing or remain in their seats in prayer. Come, let us eat and drink at the table of the Lord.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world
Have mercy on us
Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world
Have mercy on us
Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world
Oh grant us peace,
Lamb of God.

Thirst No More

Verse 1

There is a fountain ever flowing
Where the waters are not spent
Here you and I we trade our sorrows
For the love that will not end

Chorus

Thirst no more thirst no more
Thirst no more come and drink

Verse 2

There is a river strong and mighty
Giving life abundantly
A fresh supply a steady current
Joy unending come and drink

Bridge

Hallelujah
Hallelujah
Hallelujah

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Verse 3

Like a tree beside the water
Ever dry my roots grow deep
Storm or drought I will not wither
There is a peace sustaining me

Canticle for Departure

Now Lord you let your servant go in peace,
your word has been fulfilled.
My eyes have seen the salvation,
you have prepared in sight of ev'ry one.
A light to reveal you to the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel,
Now Lord you let your servant go in peace,
your word has been fulfilled.

Prayer after Communion

AM: We give you thanks, gracious God,
for we have feasted on the abundance of your house.
Send us to bring good news
and to proclaim your favor to all,
strengthened with the richness of your grace
in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.
In the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit

C: **Amen**

Sending Song

Build a Longer Table



1 Build a long - er ta - ble, not a high - er wall,
2 Build a saf - er ref - uge, not a larg - er jail;
3 Build a broad - er door - way, not a long - er fence.
4 When we lived as ex - iles, ref - u - gees a - broad,



feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.
where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.
Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.
Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,
For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,
When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,
So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.
Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.
Christ tears down our fenc - es: all are wel - come here.
None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

Dismissal

AM: Go with Christ into a weary world.

Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

WORSHIP LEADERS

We give thanks for all who give of themselves for service to God and to this community.

The band members are Glenn Hoffman, Jim Gregory, Karen Archbold and Natalie Fiur

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We give thanks to God for the flurry of faithful activity happening here at New Joy, after two years of disruptions and uncertainty. Please consider how you can join in the mission we share:

*Extend a radical welcome
Share a generous grace
Nurture transforming faith
Live God's promise*

NEW MEMBERS CLASS for anyone interested in joining New Joy continues each Sunday following worship, thru March 6. Newcomers and Oldcomers alike are welcome! We are exploring our mission statement. Questions? Contact the church office or Pastor Chris.

BIBLE STUDY is every Wednesday at 1pm. We gather online for Bible Study to read the Scripture for the coming Sunday. Check the weekly Tuesday News to Know for the link.

CONFIRMATION CLASS We will not have class this week, February 20. Class will resume on Sunday, February 27.

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ACOLYTE TRAINING continues for one more weeks. We meet prior to worship, at 9am. All interested young people are encouraged to learn and serve! Questions? Contact Pastor Chris.

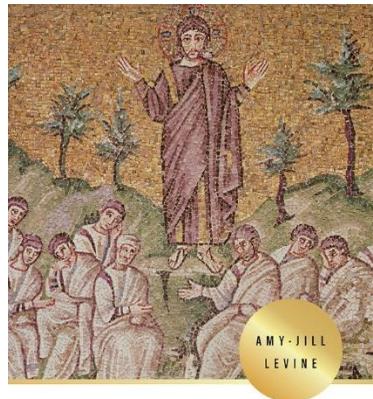
MEN'S GROUP meets every other Saturday at 8am for Bible Study and Breakfast. Our next gathering is on Saturday, February 26. If you would like the book for our current series on the Ten Commandments, contact Pastor Chris. Questions? Contact Tony Trullinger, Wes Harouff, or Glenn Hoffman.

LENT BOOK & VIDEO SERIES starts next month. Join fellow New Joy members to explore Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, with Professor Amy-Jill Levine as our guide.

Videos are available online at New Joy's Amplify Media site. Instructions for accessing our Amplify Media have been shared in past News to Know emails. Search your email for "Amplify Media," or contact the church office.

SEASONED BELIEVERS meets every Tuesday, 9am, at the Chik-Fil-A on Greyhound Pass.

JOYFUL GIRLS gathers each month for fellowship and dinner. Questions? Contact Becky Suchomel or Lyn Nore.



SERMON *on* the MOUNT

A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING ENVELOPES if you are in need of new offering envelopes for this year, please let Kim know. She will get them together for you.

SCOUT TROOPS 1910/1920 meet at the church every Monday night at 7 pm.

SUMMER YOUTH URBAN IMMERSION With the cancellation of the ELCA Youth Gathering, our youth group will be heading to the North Side of Chicago for a week of service, learning, and spiritual growth. Youth aged 13 and up are eligible and encouraged to participate. With changes to our initial plans, we are re-opening registration for this Summer Youth Urban Immersion through to the end of the month. Space is limited, however, so please let Pastor Chris know ASAP if you are interested in this experience for yourself or your child.

WEBSITE MANAGER NEEDED Do you design or maintain websites at work, for fun, or for school? New Joy needs someone who can maintain and manage our website. Questions? Contact Pastor Chris.

NEW JOY ON FACEBOOK Are you on Facebook? If so, follow our church page at facebook.com/newjoy, and join our New Joy Partners group at facebook.com/groups/NewJoyPartners. The main New Joy page has been inactive for a while ... if you have an interest in contributing to New Joy's social media presence, please talk with Pastor Chris.

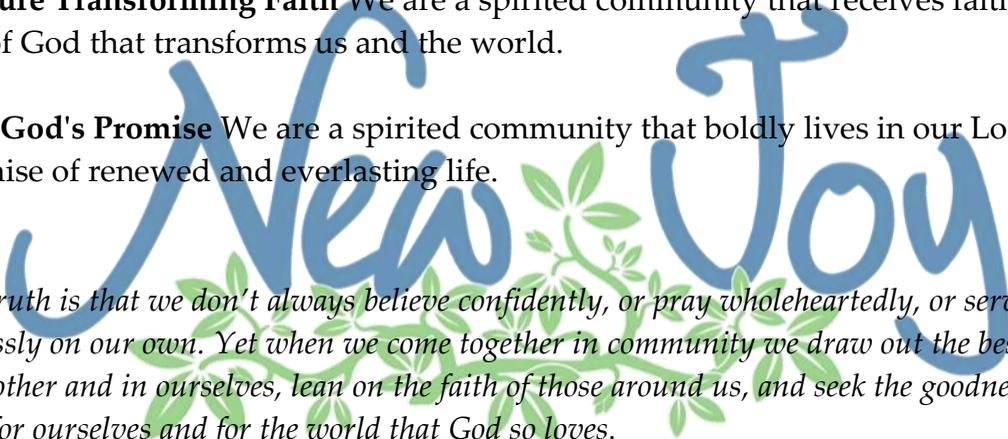
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Extend a Radical Welcome We are a spirited community that strives to welcome, value, accept, and nurture all people wherever they are in their relationship with God.

Share a Generous Grace We are a spirited community which boldly proclaims that forgiveness, mercy, love, and salvation are free gifts of God's grace.

Nurture Transforming Faith We are a spirited community that receives faith as a gift of God that transforms us and the world.

Live God's Promise We are a spirited community that boldly lives in our Lord's promise of renewed and everlasting life.



The truth is that we don't always believe confidently, or pray wholeheartedly, or serve selflessly on our own. Yet when we come together in community we draw out the best in each other and in ourselves, lean on the faith of those around us, and seek the goodness of God for ourselves and for the world that God so loves.

Full of belief or doubt, confidence or questions? There is a place for you at New Joy. The people of New Joy are newcomers to Christianity and interfaith families, lifelong active church goers and people who have spent decades away from the church before finding their way to New Joy. There is a place for you at New Joy, too.

New Joy was established just in 2002. As a congregation we're still growing up. You might say we're in that awkward late teen/early twenties stage when we don't yet feel like an adult, but we're no longer a kid. We certainly haven't figured everything out, but we are having fun as we grow and as we see what God is putting before us. We hope you'll be part of our future.