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**Transfiguration of Our Lord
Last Sunday after Epiphany**
Sunday, February 27, 2022

The People of New Joy, Ministers

The Rev. Chris Duckworth, Pastor

Glenn Hoffman, Music Minister

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

Verse 1

Lord the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining
Jesus Light of the world shine upon us
Set us free by the truth You now bring us
Shine on me shine on me

Chorus

Shine Jesus shine
Fill this land
With the Father's glory
Blaze Spirit blaze
Set our hearts on fire
Flow river flow
Flood the nations
With grace and mercy
Send forth Your word Lord
And let there be light

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Shine Jesus Shine

Verse 2

Lord I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance
By the blood I may enter Your brightness
Search me try me consume all my darkness
Shine on me shine on me (*Chorus*)

Verse 3

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness
So our faces display Your likeness
Ever changing from glory to glory
Mirrored here may our lives tell Your story
Shine on me shine on me (*Chorus*)

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.

L: Amen.

C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

WORD

Children's Message

First Reading:

Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 3:12--4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

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 9:28-43a

P: The Holy Gospel, according to Saint Luke:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, “Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not.” Jesus answered, “You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.” While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.

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

Hymn of the Day

Your Love Defends Me

(V1, C, V2, B, Cx2, E)

Verse 1

You are my joy You are my song
You are the well the One I'm drawing from
You are my refuge my whole life long
Where else would I go

Chorus 1

Surely my God is the strength of my soul
Your love defends me
Your love defends me
And when I feel like I'm all alone
Your love defends me
Your love defends me

Verse 2

Day after day night after night
I will remember You're with me in this fight
Although the battle it rages on
The war's already won
I know the war is already won

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Bridge

We sing hallelujah
You're my portion my salvation
Hallelujah

Ending

We sing hallelujah
You're my portion my salvation
Hallelujah
You're my portion my salvation
Hallelujah
You're my portion my salvation

*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
Hosannah in the highest
Hosannah in the highest
Blessed is He who comes
in the name of the Lord
Hosannah in the highest
Hosannah 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

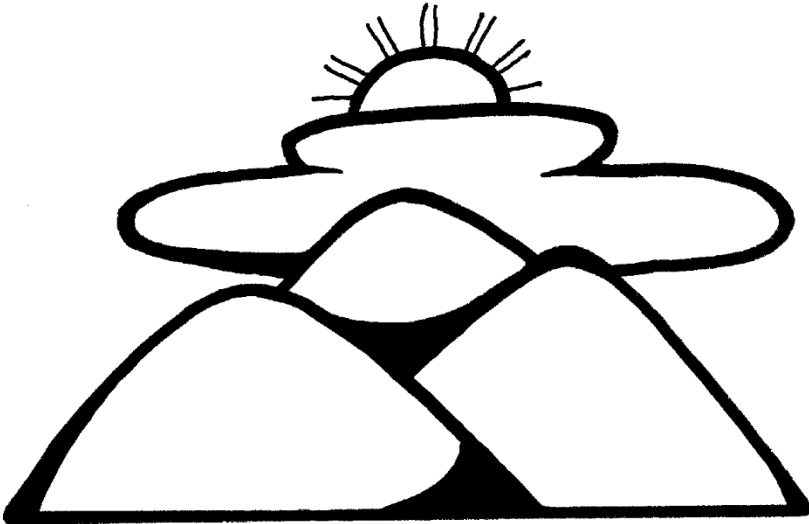
Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world

Have mercy on us

Lamb of God
you take away the sin of the world

Oh grant us peace,

Lamb of God.



Blessed Assurance

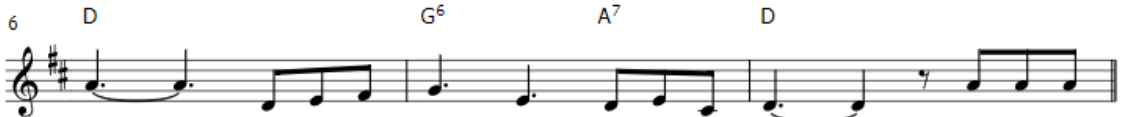


1. Bless - ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! _____ O what a
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light! _____ Vi - sions of
 3. Per - fect sub - mis - sion - all is at rest, _____ I in my

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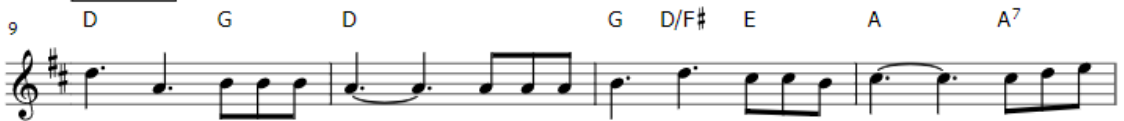


fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine! _____ Heir of sal - va - tion, pur - chase of
 rap - ture now burst on my sight; _____ An - gels de - scend - ing, bring from a -
 Sav - ior am hap - py and blest; _____ Watch - ing and wait - ing, look - ing a -



God, _____ born of His Spir - it, washed in His blood. _____ This is my
 -bove _____ ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love. _____
 -bove, _____ filled with His good - ness, lost in His love. _____

CHORUS



sto - ry, this is my song, _____ prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long; _____ This is my



sto - ry, this is my song, _____ prais - ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

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

You are Holy (Prince of Peace)

Verse

You are holy (You are holy)
You are mighty (You are mighty)
You are worthy (You are worthy)
Worthy of praise (worthy of praise)
I will follow (I will follow)
I will listen (I will listen)
I will love You (I will love You)
All of my days (all of my days)

Chorus 1

I will sing to and worship
The King who is worthy
And I will love and adore Him
And I will bow down before Him
And I will sing to and worship
The King who is worthy
And I will love and adore Him
And I will bow down before Him
You're my Prince of Peace
And I will live my life for You

Chorus 2

You are Lord of lords You are King of kings
You are mighty God Lord of ev'rything
You're Emmanuel You're the Great I Am
You're the Prince of Peace who is the Lamb
You're the living God You're my saving grace
You will reign forever You are Ancient of Days
You are Alpha Omega Beginning and End
You're my Savior Messiah Redeemer and Friend
You're my Prince of Peace
And I will live my life for You

Ending

You're my Prince of Peace
And I will live my life for You

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.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. Class will resume today Sunday, February 27.

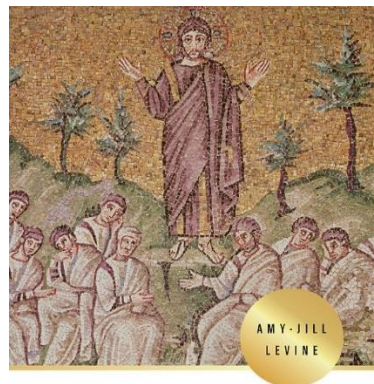
MEN'S GROUP meets every other Saturday at 8am for Bible Study and Breakfast. Our next gathering is on Saturday, March 12 at 8 am. If you would like the book for our current series on the Ten Commandments, contact Pastor Chris. Questions? Contact Tony Trullinger, Wes Harouff, or Glenn Hoffman.

JOYFUL GIRLS gathers each month for fellowship and dinner. Questions? Contact Becky Suchomel or Lyn Nore. Next gathering is at Los Agaves, Tuesday, March 1, 2022 at 6 pm

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

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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.



SERMON *on* the MOUNT

A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

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.

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.

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 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.