



**The Seventeenth Sunday before
Christ the King**

Sunday, July 24, 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 give praise to God in their own glorious way! We welcome children to toddle around, play with toys, shake tambourines, and come to the Lord's Table. On some Sundays we have a volunteer caring for children 5 and under in the nursery.

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.

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome & Call to Worship

P: Come unto me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

C: Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and you shall find rest for your souls.

P: For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

C: Come unto me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

I will give you rest,

I will give you rest,

I will give you rest.

Opening Song

Verse

Strength will rise as we wait upon the
Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

Strength will rise as we wait upon the
Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

We will wait upon the Lord

Everlasting God

Pre-Chorus

Our God You reign forever

Our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

Chorus

You are the everlasting God

The everlasting God

You do not faint

You won't grow weary

You're the defender of the weak

You comfort those in need

You lift us up on wings like eagles

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.**

Come, All You People

Come, all you people,
come and praise the Most High;
Come now and worship the Lord.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you gladly give more than we either desire or deserve. Pour upon us your abundant mercy. Forgive us those things that weigh on our conscience, and give us those good things that come only through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

WORD

Children's Message

Lector Blessing

P: Let us pray.

God Almighty, we ask your blessing upon Kristi as she reads to us the scriptures. May the words of her mouth and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.

C: **Amen**

First Reading:

Genesis 18:20-32

A Reading from Genesis

²⁰Then the LORD said, “How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! ²¹I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know.”

²²So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the LORD. ²³Then Abraham came near and said, “Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? ²⁴Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? ²⁵Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?” ²⁶And the LORD said, “If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake.” ²⁷Abraham answered, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. ²⁸Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?” And he said, “I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there.” ²⁹Again he spoke to him, “Suppose forty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of forty I will not do it.” ³⁰Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there.” He answered, “I will not do it, if I find thirty there.” ³¹He said, “Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it.” ³²Then he said, “Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there.” He answered, “For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.”

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

Colossians 2:6-19

A reading from Colossians:

⁶As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

⁸See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. ⁹For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, ¹⁰and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. ¹¹In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; ¹²when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, ¹⁴erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

¹⁶Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths. ¹⁷These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ. ¹⁸Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking, ¹⁹and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

You give Your Word to share with all Al -

le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! You

speak Your Word, and for all that is heard, we sing Al - le - lu - ia!

Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

P: The Holy Gospel, according to Luke:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.”²He said to them, “When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

³Give us each day our daily bread.

⁴And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.”

⁵And he said to them, “Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; ⁶for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.’ ⁷And he answers from within, ‘Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.’ ⁸I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

⁹“So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰For everyone who asks receives, and

everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? ¹²Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? ¹³If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Gospel Acclamation

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Verse 1

Nothing can separate
Even if I ran away
Your love never fails
I know I still make mistakes but
You have new mercies for me ev'ryday
Your love never fails

Chorus

(And) You stay the same through the
ages
Your love never changes
There may be pain in the night
But joy comes in the morning
And when the oceans rage
I don't have to be afraid

Your Love Never Fails

Because I know that You love me
(Your love never fails)

Verse 2

The wind is strong and the water's deep
But I'm not alone here in these open seas
Your love never fails
The chasm is far too wide
I never thought I'd reach the other side
Your love never fails

Bridge

You make all things
Work together for my good
You make all things
Work together for my good

*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.

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: Let us pray.

God of abundance:

you have set before us a plentiful harvest.

As we feast on your goodness,
strengthen us to labor in your field,
and equip us to bear fruit for the good of all,
in the name of Jesus.

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 leads the congregation in a Thanksgiving Prayer that recalls God's glory and grace for all the world.

P: We thank you for giving us life.

C: We thank you!

P: We thank you for giving us freedom.

C: We thank you!

P: We thank you for bringing us peace.

C: We thank you!

P: We thank you for Jesus, who shows us the way of life.

C: We thank you!

P: We thank you for Jesus who on the cross takes away the power of death.

C: We thank you!

P: Do this and remember me.

C: The body of Christ! Amen

P: Do this and remember me.

C: The blood of Christ! Amen

Lord's Prayer

**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.

Seek Ye First




1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God
 2. Man shall not live by bread alone
 3. Ask and it shall be given unto you,

5 F C Dm⁷ G⁷ C C^{SUS}




and His righteous - ness, and all these
 but by ev 'ry word that pro -
 seek and ye shall find, knock and the

10 Em Em⁷ F C



things shall be add - ed un - to you -
 -ceeds from the mouth of God -
 door shall be o - pened un - to you -

13 F C F/C C G^{7SUS} G⁷ C



Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

Father Let Your Kingdom Come

Chorus

Hallelu hallelujah
Father let Your kingdom come

Verse 1

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

Verse 2

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

Prayer after Communion

AM: Let us pray.

Life-giving God,
through this meal you have bandaged our wounds
and fed us with your mercy.

Now send us forth to live for others, both friend and stranger,
that all may come to know your love. This we pray in the name of Jesus.

C: Amen.

SENDING

Benediction

P: The God of peace,
Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit,
bless you, comfort you,
and show you the path of life
this day and always.

C: Amen

Sending Song

What a Friend We Have in Jesus



1. What a Friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y - where?
3. Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?
4. Bless - ed Sav - ior, Thou hast prom - ised Thou wilt all our bur-dens bear;



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our Ref - uge; Take it to the Lord in prayer.
May we ev - er, Lord, be bring - ing all to Thee in earn - est prayer.



O what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need-less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor-rows share?
Do thy friends de-spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Soon, in glo - ry bright un - cloud - ed there will be no need for prayer;



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry-thing to God in prayer!
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness; Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a sol - ace there.
Rap - ture, praise and end-less wor - ship will be our sweet por-tion there.

Dismissal

AM: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

WORSHIP LEADERS

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

Assisting Minister :	Becky Suchomel
Reader:	Kristi Kittilstved
Communion Server:	Amy Kittilstved
Acolyte	Lily Havlik
Altar Guild:	Nancy Trullinger & Shawna Harouff

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

The Altar Guild members are Judy Moon, Kristi Kittilstved, Nancy Trullinger, Morgan Studer, and Shawna Harouff

The Livestream team is Luke Ledyard and Phil Havlik.

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NEW JOY HISTORY

As part of our **Indescribable Joy - 20 Years of New Joy** celebration, each week we will share a few history notes from the past 20 years. Here are this week's entries:

- **October 2008** - First wedding in our new building, Morgan Hughes & Chris Studer
- **March 2009** - New Joy begins offering two worship services, 8:00 am & 9:45 am
- **August - November 2009** - Pastor Connie goes on a "Hills & Valleys" Sabbatical
- **2010-** the "New Joy Garden" is started by George Willman

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.

CAP COLLECTING New Joy is a collection site for your used plastic caps and lids. The Helm family will take them over to Guerin Catholic High School where their Arts Department has them recycled. Any questions, please reach out to the Helms. Thanks!

WORSHIP LEADER TRAINING UPDATE August is worship leader training month! Assisting Minister training will be August 7 & 14 following worship (usually high school and older). Acolyte training (usually youth mid-elementary thru middle school) will be at 8:45am August 21 & 28. This is a great chance to learn and review how to serve as acolyte and assisting minister.

CONFIRMATION MINISTRY resumes next month on Sunday, August 21. Confirmation Ministry is a ministry of learning and formation for 7th and 8th graders. All New Joy 7th and 8th graders, together with neighbors and friends of New Joy, are encouraged to participate. Questions? Reach out to Pastors Chris or Jessicah.

RECURRING EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY resumes this Wednesday at 1pm, in person at church or, weather permitting, at Quaker Park. We typically read the Scripture for the coming Sunday. This Wednesday we will read texts for the 16th Sunday before Christ the King: **Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14. 2:18-23; Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 12:13-21.**

MEN'S GROUP Gatherings will resume in September. Questions? Contact Tony Trullinger or Wes Harouff.

JOYFUL GIRLS gathers each month for fellowship and dinner. Contact Becky Suchomel or Lyn Nore if you have any questions.

SEASONED BELIEVERS meets every Tuesday, 9am, at the Chik-Fil-A 32 763 E. Tournament Trail.

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

WORSHIP NOTE

SEVERAL OF OUR PRAYERS – including the Lector Blessing, Call to Worship, and our Eucharistic Prayer – come from *This Far by Faith*, a Lutheran worship book designed by and for the African American Lutheran Church (published 1999).

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.