



**The Fourteenth Sunday before
Christ the King**

Sunday, August 14, 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: Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise God in the firmament of his power!

C: Praise God for his mighty acts; praise God according to his excellent greatness!

P: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

C: Praise the Lord!

Opening Song

Verse 1

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

Verse 2

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

Blessed be Your Name

(V1, V2, PC, C, V3, V4, PC, C, B, C)

Chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Verse 3

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

Verse 4

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

Bridge

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

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.**

Alleluia

The image shows a musical score for the Alleluia. The top staff is in 4/4 time, starting with a repeat sign. The notes are: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. Below the staff are the lyrics: Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - .

The bottom staff starts with a measure rest and a '6' below it. The notes are: G3, F3, E3, D3, C3, B2, A2, G2. Below the staff are the lyrics: -lu, al - le - lu - ia. lu, al - le - lu - ia. (Cantor intones .

Chord progressions are indicated above the bottom staff: Gm, Dm, C, Dm, C, Dm. A box labeled 'VERSE' is above the final Dm chord.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

O God, judge eternal, you love justice and hate oppression, and you call us to share your zeal for truth. Give us courage to take our stand with all victims of bloodshed and greed, and, following your servants and prophets, to look to the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: **Amen.**

WORD

Children's Message

Lector Blessing

P: Let us pray.

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from you. Bless Lyn, who will read to us the scriptures. Make us hunger for the Word of life, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

First Reading:

Jeremiah 23:23-29

A Reading from Jeremiah

²³Am I a God near by, says the LORD, and not a God far off? ²⁴Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the LORD. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" ²⁶How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? ²⁷They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 11:29--12:2

A reading from Hebrews

²⁹By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³²And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

^{12:1}Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

R: The Word of the Lord.

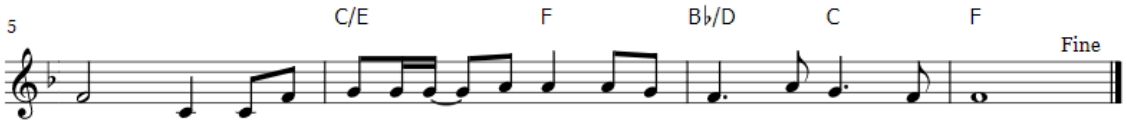
C: **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation

Thy Word



Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.



Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet and a light un-to my path.

Gospel

Luke 12:49-56

P: The Holy Gospel, according to Luke:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said: ⁴⁹“I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵²From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘It is going to rain’; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat’; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Gospel Acclamation

Thy Word



Thy Word is a lamp un-to — my feet and a light un-to my path.



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Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Verse 1

Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Holy holy is He
Sing a new song to Him Who sits on
Heaven's mercy seat

Chorus

Holy holy holy
Is the Lord God Almighty
Who was and is and is to come
With all creation I sing
Praise to the King of kings
You are my ev'rything
And I will adore You

Revelation Song

(V1, C, V2, C, V3, C)

Verse 2

Clothed in rainbows of living color
Flashes of lightning rolls of thunder
Blessing and honor strength and glory
And power be to You the only wise
King

Verse 3

Filled with wonder awestruck wonder
At the mention of Your name
Jesus Your name is power breath and
living water
Such a marv'lous mystery yeah

*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 share 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

Each prayer petition concludes with, "Merciful God."

*The congregation's response is, "**Receive 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 sins of the world
Miserere nobis *Repeat*

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

On Eagles Wings

(V1, C1, V2, C1, V3, C1, V4, C2)

Verse 1

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in this shadow for life,
say to the Lord: "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

Verse 2

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear;
under God's wings your refuge,
with faithfulness your shield. *Refrain*

Verse 3

You need not fear the terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day;
though thousands fall about you,
near you it shall not come. *Refrain*

Verse 4

For to the angels God's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Final refrain

And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand;
and hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

God Be with You Till We Meet Again



- 1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; by good coun-sels guide, up - hold you,
- 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; ho - ly wings se - cure - ly hide you,
- 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's per - ils thick con-found you,



with a shep-herd's care en - fold you;
dai - ly man - na still pro - vide you; God be with you till we meet a - gain.
put un - fail - ing arms a - round you;

Refrain



Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Je - sus' feet;



till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet a - gain.

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 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

Verse 1

He became sin who knew no sin
That we might become His
righteousness
He humbled Himself and carried the
cross
Love so amazing love so amazing

Chorus

Jesus Messiah Name above all names
Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel
The Rescue for sinners
The Ransom from heaven
Jesus Messiah Lord of all

Jesus Messiah

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

Verse 2

His body the bread His blood the wine
Broken and poured out all for love
The whole earth trembled and the veil
was torn
Love so amazing love so amazing

Bridge

All our hope is in You
All our hope is in You
All the glory to You God
The Light of the world

Ending

Jesus Messiah
Lord of all
The Lord of all
The Lord of all

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 : Gail Castle

Reader: Lyn Nore

Communion Server:

Acolyte

Altar Guild:

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.

The audio is run by Steve Castle.

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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.

- **Confirmation Ministry, August 21** - 7th & 8th graders will kick off Confirmation Ministry on Sunday, August 21, with a blessing in worship and an extended, kick-off class session that afternoon from 3pm-6pm. Questions? Reach out to Pastors Jessicah or Chris.
- **Congregational Cookout, August 28** - Come gather on Sunday evening, August 28, to chalk the sidewalks for the New Joy Preschool, and to enjoy food & fellowship as we celebrate the return to school for children of all ages.
- **New Adult Bible Study, week of September 4** - A new adult Bible Study series begins the week of Labor Day. Read at home, come in person - or online - to learn and share together. See materials in entranceway for more information.
- **Bible Presentations for 3 year-olds and 3rd graders, September 11** - Recognizing that we've missed some kids over recent years, 4 & 5 year-olds and 4th & 5th graders who don't have a Bible are also welcome! Complete the bulletin insert if you would like your child to receive a Bible.
- **(First) Holy Communion Classes, September 18** - all children are invited to learn about Holy Communion. Whether a child has started receiving communion or not, this is a great time to learn more about our Lord's promises given in the Sacrament. Classes meet September 18, 25, October 9; First Holy Communion Celebration in worship on October 30. Questions? Contact Pastor Chris. Sign-up using the bulletin insert. Thank you!
- **20th Anniversary Weekend, October 1-2** - Founding Pastor Connie Thomson returns to New Joy to help us celebrate 20 years of faithful ministry. Saturday Brunch for all who were members when Pastor Connie was here. Celebratory Worship & Picnic Luncheon on Sunday.

RECURRING EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY meets on Wednesdays 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 13th Sunday before Christ the King: **Isaiah 58:9b-14; Hebrews 12:18-29; Luke 13:10-17.**

MEN'S GROUP gatherings will resume in September with our twice-monthly Saturday breakfasts and Bible Study - a book/video study of Revelation. 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 Chick-Fil-A on SR32 in Westfield.

OUR SCOUT TROOPS 1910/1920 meet at the church Monday nights at 7pm.

WORSHIP NOTES

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK include prayers for the leaders of the Lutheran Church in Chile and the Lutheran Church in Indonesia. The Indiana-Kentucky Synod has a mission partner relationship with these two overseas Lutheran churches. Pastor Chris has been part of several delegations to nurture our relationship with Obispa Izani Bruch of the Iglesia Luterana Evangelica en Chile.

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).

OUR SCRIPTURE READINGS EACH WEEK are designated by the Revised Common Lectionary, a three-year cycle of readings used by many Christian denominations.

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:

- July 2012 - Youth Mission Trip to New Orleans for the National Youth Gathering
- September 2012 - 2nd Annual Harvest Festival
- May 4, 2014 - Special Congregational Meeting to vote on calling Pastor Chris Duckworth as our next pastor
- June 1, 2014 - Chris Duckworth installed as our new pastor

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.