



**The Eleventh Sunday before
Christ the King**

Sunday, September 4, 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: I was glad when they said unto me,

C: **let us go to the house of the Lord!**

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C: **This is the house of God, this is the gate of heaven!**

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P: Oh, come let us worship!

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Opening Song

Lift High the Cross

(R, V1, R, V2, R, V3, R)

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore His sacred Name.

Verse 1

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conquering ranks combine.

Verse 2

Each newborn servant of the Crucified
Bears on the brow the seal of Him Who died.

Verse 3

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As Thou hast promised, draw the world to Thee.

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

Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le -

6 Gm 1, 3. Dm C 2. Dm C Dm VERSE

-lu, al - le - lu - ia. lu, al - le - lu - ia. (Cantor intones)

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Direct us, O Lord God, in all our doings with your continual help, that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name; and finally, by your mercy, bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

Children's Message

Lector Blessing

First Reading:

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

A Reading from Deuteronomy

¹⁵See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

Psalm 1

A Reading from Psalm.

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²**Their delight is in the law of the LORD,
and they meditate on God's teaching day and night.**

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season,
with leaves that do not wither;
everything they do shall prosper.

⁴**It is not so with the wicked;
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes,
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶**For the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked shall be destroyed.**

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.

5 C/E F B \flat /D C F Fine

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

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Below the staff, the lyrics are: "Thy Word is a lamp un-to__ my feet and a light un-to my path." The second staff begins with a measure rest labeled "5". Above the staff, the chords C/E, F, B \flat /D, C, and F are indicated. The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a double bar line and the word "Fine". Below the staff, the lyrics are: "Thy Word is a lamp un-to__ my feet and a light un-to my path."

Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

P: The Holy Gospel, according to Luke:

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

²⁵Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, ²⁶“Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. ²⁷Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. ²⁸For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? ²⁹Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, ³⁰saying, ‘This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.’ ³¹Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? ³²If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. ³³So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Thy Word

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

I Surrender All

(V1, V2, C, V3, C, V4, C, V5, C)

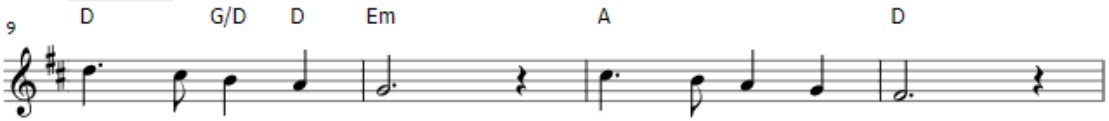


1. All to Je - sus I sur-ren - der, all to Him I free - ly give;
2. All to Je - sus I sur-ren - der, hum - bly at His feet I bow;
3. All to Je - sus I sur-ren - der, make me, Sav - ior, whol - ly Thine;
4. All to Je - sus I sur-ren - der, Lord, I give my - self to Thee;
5. All to Je - sus I sur-ren - der, now I feel the sac - red flame;

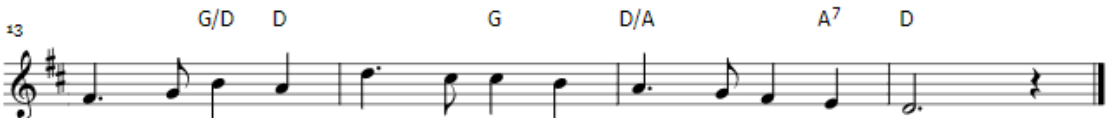


I will ev - er love and trust Him, in His pres - ence dai - ly live.
World - ly pleas - ures all for - sak - en, take me, Je - sus, take me now.
Let me feel the Ho - ly Spir - it, tru - ly know that Thou art mine.
Fill me with Thy love and pow - er, let Thy bless - ing fall on me.
O the joy of full sal - va - tion! Glo - ry, glo - ry to His name!

CHORUS



I sur - ren - der all, I sur - ren - der all.



All to Thee, my bless - ed Sav - ior, I sur - ren - der all.

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.

Public Recognition of a Baptism Administered in Extraordinary Circumstances

Today we will celebrate and publicly recognize the baptism of Layla Grace Bautista, who was baptized last year at home three days after her birth, and just one day before her father, David, was deployed overseas with the US Navy.

Layla will be presented by her parents, Erin and David Bautista, and baptismal sponsors (“godparents”), Ben and Melissa Irvin. Pastor Chris will ask them questions about their commitment to raise Layla Grace in the Christian faith. The Congregation is then invited to make their commitment to Layla Grace.

The presiding minister addresses the congregation.

P: People of God, do you promise to support Layla Grace and pray for her in her life in Christ?

C: **We do.**

The assembly stands.

Profession of Faith

P: Erin, David, Ben and Melissa, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

P: Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Parents & sponsors respond:

R: *I renounce them.*

P: Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Response:

R: *I renounce them.*

P: Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Response:

R: *I renounce them.*

The presiding minister addresses the family and the congregation.

AM: Together with the whole people of God gathered here today, I ask:
Do you believe in God the Father?

C: **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

AM: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

C: **I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

AM: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C: I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Thanksgiving at the Font

The presiding minister leads the assembly in giving thanks.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

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

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

P: We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters
and by your Word you created the world,
calling forth life in which you took delight.
Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family,
and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.
At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.
By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection
you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.
We thank you that by your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word,
Layla Grace has been washed in the waters of baptism
and has been given new life.
To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Refrain: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit
you give your daughters and sons new birth,
cleansing them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Laying both hands on the baptized person's head, the minister prays:

Sustain Layla Grace with the gift of your Holy Spirit:
the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord,
the spirit of joy in your presence,
both now and forever.

C: Amen.

The presiding minister marks the sign of the cross on the forehead of the baptized person. Oil prepared for this purpose may be used. As the sign of the cross is made, the minister says:

P: Layla Grace, child of God,
you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit
and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

C: Amen.

Welcome

A lighted candle may be given to the baptized person (to a sponsor of a young child) as a representative of the congregation says:

AM: Jesus said, I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me
will have the light of life.
Therefore, let your light so shine before others
that they may see your good works
and glorify your Father in heaven.

AM: Let us welcome our sibling in Christ, Layla Grace.

**C: We welcome you into the body of Christ
and into the mission we share:
join us in giving thanks and praise to God
and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

Prayers of the Church

*Each prayer petition concludes with, "God of grace."
The congregation's 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.

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

Will You Come and Follow Me

(V1, V2, V3, V4, V5)



1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call
 2 "Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call
 4 "Will you love the you you hide if I but call
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't
 your name? Will you care for cruel and
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



know and nev - er be the same?
 kind and nev - er be the same?
 free and nev - er be the same?
 side and nev - er be the same?
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"
 pray'r in you and you in me?"
 mean in you and you in me?"
 sound in you and you in me?"
 grow in you and you in me.

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

The Way

(V1, C, V2, C, Bx2, Cx2)

Verse 1

Through every battle
Through every heartbreak
Through every circumstance
I believe that You are my fortress
Oh You are my portion
You are my hiding place
Oh I believe You are

Chorus

The Way the Truth the Life
I believe You are
The Way the Truth the Life
I believe (You are)

Verse 2

Through every blessing
Through every promise
Through every breath I take
I believe that You are provider
You are protector
You are the One I love
I believe You are

Bridge

It's a new horizon
And I'm set on You
And You meet me here today
With mercies that are new
All my fears and doubts
They can all come too
Because they can't stay long
(When I'm here with You)
(When I believe You are)

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 : Kristen Abbey

Reader: Shawna Harouff

Communion Server:

Acolyte Anthony & Jane Abbey

Altar Guild: Morgan Studer & Nancy Trullinger

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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WORSHIP NOTES

TODAY’S SPECIAL BLESSING for Layla Grace Bautista is a reminder of the centrality of community to Christian faith. In baptism Layla was grafted into the eternal Body of Christ, crucified and risen. As such, baptism is normally celebrated in community. Her baptism was administered in extraordinary circumstances. Today, with her father David home from his overseas military service, and surrounded by her mother, Erin, godparents Ben and Melissa Irvin, family and friends and her New Joy family of faith, we celebrate and re-affirm her baptism in Christ Jesus our Lord!

THE MOST IMPORTANT WORDS in Holy Communion, Martin Luther tells us, are “for you.” The Body of Christ is given, the Blood of Christ is shed, for you. Remember that promise. Jesus gives himself to you and to this world that God so loves.

THE SHAPE OF OUR WORSHIP SERVICE follows the pattern of the traditional liturgy of the Western church, one shared by Roman Catholics, Episcopalians, Presbyterians, and other churches. At New Joy we seek to inhabit these traditions with an informality and warmth that reflects the welcome and grace of the Gospel.

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:

- August 2019 – Mission Trip to Fondwa, Haiti with Zanmi Fondwa, 9 adults & 1 youth
- September 2019 – began construction on New Joy pavilion
- September 2019 – opened New Joy Preschool
- February 2020 – Welcome Pastor Chris back from deployment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We give thanks to God for the flurry of faithful activity happening here at New Joy, after more than two years of disruptions and uncertainty.

Please consider how you can join in the mission we share.

NO Confirmation Class this afternoon – Enjoy your Labor Day weekend. Class meets in the sanctuary next Sunday, September 11, 4pm-5:30pm.

Bible Presentations for 3 year-olds and 3rd graders, September 11 - We've missed some kids over recent years, so our 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. We typically read the Scripture for the coming Sunday. This Wednesday we will read texts for the 10th Sunday before Christ the King:

MEN'S GROUP Saturday breakfasts and Bible Study gatherings will resume in September on **September 10th and 24th** with 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 BSA SCOUT TROOPS 1910/1920 meet at the church on Monday nights at 7pm.

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. Since our founding in 2002, New Joy has been committed to welcoming people of all races, incomes, and expressions of the LGBTQIA+ community.

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.