



The 5th Sunday before Christ the King

Sunday, October 16, 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 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

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

Chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name

Blessed Be Your Name

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

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.

Texas Kyrie

(R, V1, R, V2, R, V3, R, V4, R, E)

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.

Verse 2

L: We pray for peace in the world,
We pray for wellness in Your church,
We pray for unity of all.

Verse 3

L: We pray for this holy place.

We pray for for all who gather here.

Verse 4

L: Oh Lord help us, save us.

Oh Lord comfort and defend us.

End

L: Amen.

C: Amen.

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C: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray:

O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

Children's Message

First Reading

Genesis 32:22-31

A Reading from Genesis.

²²The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." ²⁸Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." ²⁹Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." ³¹The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading

2 Timothy 3:14--4:5

A reading from 2 Timothy.

¹⁴But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

^{4:1}In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. ³For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. ⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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 18:1-8

P: The Holy Gospel, according to Saint Luke:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

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

Great Are You Lord

(V, C, V, C, Bx3, C)

Verse

You give life You are love
You bring light to the darkness
You give hope You restore ev'ry heart that is broken
And great are You Lord

Chorus

It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise
We pour out our praise
It's Your breath in our lungs
So we pour out our praise to You only

Bridge

And all the earth will shout Your praise
Our hearts will cry these bones will sing
Great are You Lord

*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, "Hear us, O God." The response is, "Your mercy is great."

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: Gracious God,
in your great love you richly provide for our needs.
Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,
and make us ready to share with all in need;
through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

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.

Pastor leads the congregation in a prayer that recalls the promises of God through the matriarchs of faith. During the prayer pastor offers the following proclamation, and the congregation responds.

P: With Mary, we magnify your name”
Our souls proclaim the greatness of the Lord,
C: **our spirit rejoices in God our Savior.**

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.

We Shall Overcome

Verse 1

We shall overcome, we shall overcome,
We shall overcome someday;
Oh, deep in our hearts, we do believe,
We shall overcome someday.

Verse 2

We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand
in hand,
We'll walk hand in hand someday;
Oh, deep in our hearts, we do believe,
We'll walk hand in hand someday.

Verse 3

We shall all have peace, we shall all have
peace,
We shall all have peace someday;
Oh, deep in our hearts, we do believe,
We shall all have peace someday.

Verse 4

We shall see the Lord, we shall see the
Lord,
We shall see the Lord, someday.
Oh deep in our hearts, we do believe,
We shall see the lord someday.

Verse 5

We are not afraid, we are not afraid,
We are not afraid today;
Oh, deep in our hearts, we do believe,
We are not afraid today.

Verse 6

God is on our side, God is on our side,
God is on our side today.
Oh, deep in our hearts, we do believe,
God is on our side today.

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: God of the abundant table,
you have refreshed our hearts in this meal
with bread for the journey.
Give us your grace on the road
that we might serve our neighbors with joy;
for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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

Step By Step *(Cx2 E)*

Chorus

O God You are my God
And I will ever praise You
O God You are my God
And I will ever praise You
I will seek You in the morning
And I will learn to walk in Your ways
And step by step You'll lead me
And I will follow You all of my days

Ending

And I will follow You all of my days
And I will follow You all of my days
And step by step You'll lead me
And I will follow You all of my days

Dismissal

AM: Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

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.

Assisting Minister : Norm Springer

Reader:

Communion Server:

Ushers:

Acolyte Linzi Jones

Altar Guild: Shawna Harouff & Kristi Kittilstved

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.

WORSHIP NOTES

Today's Liturgy has become a New Joy favorite. Composed by Minneapolis singer-songwriter and Finnish American folk musician Jonathan Rundman, *Heartland Liturgy* takes the traditional texts of worship and puts them to a new beat. Musical influences in this liturgy include rock, blues, and country – "ancient words set to a new tune," as Pastor Chris likes to say.

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- **Texas Kyrie, Alleluia, Glory to You Oh Lord, Praise to you oh Christ, The Great Thanksgiving, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lamb of God & Canticle of the Departure**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRESCHOOL TRUNK OR TREAT The preschool will be having our 2nd annual Trunk or Treat event on October 26th from 5:30 (set up) event 6-7pm. Please let us know if you would like to decorate your trunk and pass out candy to our preschool families. This event is also open to any church families with preschool age children. Let me know if you have any questions.

PRESCHOOL TEXAS ROADHOUSE FUNDRAISER The preschool is teaming up with Texas Roadhouse again and selling their dinner rolls, cinnamon butter and gift cards. The dinner rolls come frozen. It's a great time to stock up on their yummy bread and butter before the holidays, or buy gift cards for friends and family for Christmas presents. Pick up of your order will be here before Thanksgiving. Payment is due at the time of your order. Cash or Check made out to New Joy Preschool. Order form will be on the table in the narthex.

COFFEE HOUR has resumed! After a long hiatus we are thrilled to have coffee and donuts following worship. This ministry of hospitality needs a few people each Sunday to pick up donuts, set up, and clean up. Please check with Kristi Kittilstved to learn what's involved and to sign-up.

RECURRING EVENTS

MIDWEEK 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 4th Sunday before Christ the King: **Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22; Psalm 84:1-7; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14.**

NEW BIBLE STUDY meets this Tuesday, 7pm, at church. Materials are available in the church entranceway. **Please read Lesson 7, and watch the video for Session 7, prior to our gathering.** Thank you!

MEN'S GROUP Saturday breakfasts and Bible Study gatherings have resumed! Our next scheduled breakfast is on Saturday October 29. **Please read chapters 5 & 6, and watch the video for Session 3, prior to Men's Group.** Questions? Contact Tony Trullinger or Wes Harouff. Need a book for the Bible Study on Revelation? Stop by the church office today.

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.