



7th Sunday before Christ the King

Sunday, October 8, 2023

The People of New Joy, Ministers

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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.



New to New Joy? If you'd like to get in touch with the Pastor, be added to our email list, share a prayer request, or more, simply fill out one of the welcome/prayer cards in (most of) the seatback pockets and set it in the offering plate, hand it to an usher, or leave it on the counter in the church office.



Little children are always welcome – even and especially when they're a little noisy! We welcome children to worship God by toddling around, playing with toys, shaking tambourines, babbling and singing, and coming to the Lord's Table.

If little ones get too noisy during spoken parts of the service – the reading of Scripture, the sermon, or prayers – please try to quiet them or take them into the hallway for a moment to calm down. Thank you!

Our **nursery** is also available most Sundays for **children aged 5 and under**.



Holy Communion: 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.

The Ministry Board is New Joy's governing council. If you have any questions about our ministry, or seek to become more involved, please reach out to one of these members or to Pastor Chris.

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GATHERING



Prelude

Opening Prayer



Opening Song

Let Everything (Praise the Lord)

(C, V1, PC, C, V2, PC, C, Bx2, C)

Chorus

Let everything that has breath praise
the Lord

Let everything that has breath praise
the Lord

Praise the Lord

With all of my heart

With all of my strength

With all that I have

I will sing

Let everything that has breath praise
the Lord

Verse 1

There is a river

That flows unrestrained from Your
heart

Canyons of mercy

So deep I could never depart

Pre-Chorus

Father Your wonders are endless

Open my eyes to believe

Awake my soul

Verse 2

Morning by morning

Your faithfulness shines like the sun

Heaven's on fire

Alive with the brilliance of love

Bridge

With thanksgiving on our lips

We enter Your courts today

All our lives we freely give

Awaken my soul to praise



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.



Kyrie

Refrain



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, on our world and on our way.



Ky-ri-e e-lei-son, ev-'ry day.



- 1 For peace in the world, for the health of the church, for the
- 2 That we may live out your im-passioned re-sponse to the
- 3 For peace in our hearts, . . . for peace in our homes, . . for
- 4 For your Spir-it to guide; that you cen-ter our lives in the



u - ni - ty of all; for
 hun - gry and the poor; that
 friends and fam - i - ly; for
 wa - ter and the word; that you



this ho - ly house, for all who wor-ship and praise,
 we may live out truth and jus - tice and grace,
 life and for love, for our work and our play,
 nour-ish our souls . . . with your bod - y and blood,

Refrain



let us pray to the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.



Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray.

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD



Children's Message



Scripture Prayer

R: Let us pray.

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, which you have given us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.



First Reading

Isaiah 5:1-7

R: A reading from Isaiah:

¹Let me sing for my beloved
my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

²He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

³And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.

⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

⁵And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.

⁶I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds

that they rain no rain upon it.
⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

R: Blessed are those who hear the word of God. (*Luke 11:28*)

C: Let us delight in the law of the LORD. (*Psalm 1:2*)



Psalm

Psalm 80:7-15

The Psalm is read responsively between the reader and congregation.

⁷Restore us, O God of hosts;
let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.
⁸**You have brought a vine out of Egypt;
you cast out the nations and planted it.**
⁹You cleared the ground for it;
it took root and filled the land.
¹⁰**The mountains were covered by its shadow
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.**
¹¹You stretched out its tendrils to the sea
and its branches to the river.
¹²**Why have you broken down its wall,
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?**
¹³The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it,
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
¹⁴**Turn now, O God of hosts,
look down from heaven;**
¹⁵behold and tend this vine;
preserve what your right hand has planted.



Second Reading

Philippians 3:4b-14

R: A reading from Philippians:

Paul writes: ^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

R: Blessed are those who hear the word of God. (*Luke 11:28*)

C: Let us delight in the law of the LORD. (*Psalms 1:2*)



Gospel Acclamation

Ancient words ever true
Changing me changing you
We have come with open hearts
O let the ancient words impart



Gospel

Matthew 21:33-46

P: The Holy Gospel, according to Saint Matthew:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the people: ³³“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ ³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” ⁴¹They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

⁴²Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:

‘The stone that the builders rejected

has become the cornerstone;

this was the Lord’s doing,

and it is amazing in our eyes’?

⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ⁴⁴The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Gospel Acclamation





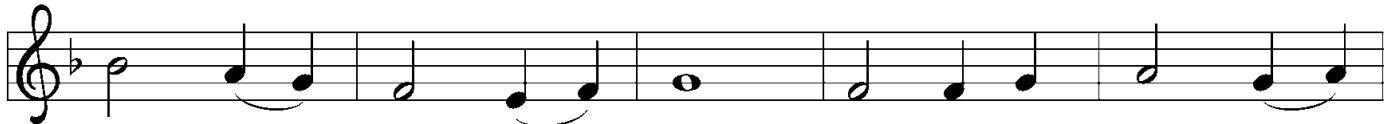
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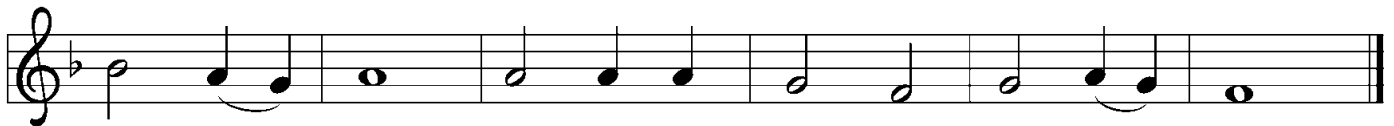
Song of the Day When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
 2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
 4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a



prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
 death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
 love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
 pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,



count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my 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

A: 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.



Apostles' Creed

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

**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.**

**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. Amen.**



Prayers of Intercession

Each prayer petition concludes:

A: Merciful God,

C: Hear our prayer.



Sharing the Peace

A: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

A: Let us share a sign of Christ's peace with those around us.

Announcements & Offering



As part of our acts of worship we share select activities and opportunities from our life together. We collect an offering for the work of New Joy and of the mission partners we support locally and beyond. This QR code takes you to [Tithe.ly](https://tithely.com), our giving platform.





Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray.

God of power, God of plenty,
all things belong to you.

We bring your gifts to this table,
that all might be fed.

Form us into the body of your Beloved,
Jesus Christ, our Savior.

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.

Great Thanksgiving

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 God thanks and praise.



Pastor continues with the proper preface, appointed specifically for this season, which leads us to Holy, Holy, Holy (Sanctus), the angelic chorus of Isaiah 6. This version of the Sanctus, set in a language foreign to many of us, gives us a sense of the otherworldliness of God's sacred presence.

Em D G C Am D

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

Em D G C Am D

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est!

G C G/B Am rit. D

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est!

The Pastor continues with eucharistic prayer, which includes the following response:

P: ...As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes:

C: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.



**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.



God Extends an Invitation



Nues-tro Pa - dre nos in - vi - ta a la me - sa de la
God ex - tends an in - vi - ta - tion to the ta - ble of cre -



vi - da, don - de hay vi - no, luz y pan; y no -
a - tion, where there's wine and light and bread. Here we



so - tros nos reu - ni - mos, y lo nues - tro com - par - ti - mos, pues a -
gath - er in thanks - giv - ing and we of - fer all our liv - ing. Here the



sí es la co - mu - ni - ón; pues a - sí es la co - mu - ni - ón.
feast of life is spread; here the feast of life is spread.

Jesus Loves Me

Verse 1

Jesus loves me! this I know,
for the Bible tells me so;
little ones to him belong,
they are weak, but he is strong.

Refrain

Yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
yes, Jesus loves me,
the Bible tells me so.

Verse 2

Jesus loves me! he who died
heaven's gates to open wide;
he will wash away my sin,
let his little child come in.

Verse 3

Jesus loves me! he will stay
close beside me all the way;
when at last I come to die,
he will take me home on high

He Came Down

Verse 1

He came down that we may have
love; (Repeat 3 times)
hallelujah forevermore.

Verse 2

He came down that we may have
light; (Repeat 3 times)
hallelujah forevermore.

Verse 3

He came down that we may have
peace; (Repeat 3 times)
hallelujah forevermore.

Verse 4

He came down that we may have joy;
(Repeat 3 times)
hallelujah forevermore.



Prayer after Communion

A: Let us pray.

Blessed be your name, O God,
for we have feasted on your Word,
Christ Jesus, the joy and delight of our hearts.
Strengthened by this food,
send us to invite all the world to your banquet,
where none are left out and all are satisfied.
In Jesus' name we pray.

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 grant you peace.

In the name of the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit

C: Amen



Sending Song

Lord I Lift Your Name on High

(V, C, V, Cx2)

Verse 1

Lord I lift Your name on high
Lord I love to sing Your praises
I'm so glad You're in my life
I'm so glad You came to save us

Chorus 1

You came from heaven to earth
To show the way
From the earth to the cross
My debt to pay
From the cross to the grave
From the grave to the sky
Lord I lift Your name on high



Dismissal

A: Go in Peace. God is at work in you.

C: Thanks be to God.

WORSHIP NOTES

LITURGY IS ROOTED IN SCRIPTURE: Besides reading Scripture in worship, much of the liturgy itself is rooted in Scripture verses and imagery. The ***Apostolic Greeting*** at the start of the service is a direct quote from 2 Corinthians 13:13, and is very similar to other greetings that St Paul writes at the start and/or the conclusion of his letters. The ***benediction*** at the end of our worship service is based on Numbers 6:24-26.

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION follow a pattern each week. Have you picked up on it? The Assisting Minister usually leads us in six prayer petitions, after each of which we respond, “hear our prayer.” Each petition has a particular thematic focus: 1, *the universal church*; 2, *nature/environment*; 3, *civic life/government/business*; 4, *those who are sick and suffering*; 5, *ourselves and our congregation*; 6, *those who have died in the faith*. Listen for this pattern in the prayers this week, and let us give thanks for inheriting a pattern that leads us to pray beyond ourselves for the world that God so loves.

WORSHIP LEADERS

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

	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister	Cana Duckworth	<i>Cana Duckworth</i>
Reader	Kristi Kittilstved	<i>Alexa Helm</i>
Acolyte	Colin Studer	<i>Jane Abbey</i>
Livestream Operator	Rich Kittilstved	<i>Lukas Fiur</i>

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

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

The Livestream team is Phil Havlik, Rich Kittilstved and Naaman Duckworth. The audio is run by Steve Castle.

Our nursery care provider is Anya Verik.

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COFFEE HOUR is shared on the first Sunday of the month, and on other special occasions. If you would like to help with Coffee Hour, please reach out to Kristi Kittilstved.

ELCA YOUTH GATHERING early bird discounted registration deadline is next Sunday.

MEN'S GROUP meets approximately every other Saturday at 8am for breakfast and Bible Study. We are reading Professor Amy-Jill Levine's book, *The Gospel of Mark: A Beginner's Guide to the Good News*. Upcoming dates are October 14, 28; November 11; December 2, 16. We will read Chapter 2 in advance of our next session.

PRESCHOOL TRUNK OR TREAT will be on Wednesday, October 25 at 6pm! All families with preschool age children – in our church and preschool – are invited to come and go “trunk or treating.” All New Joy households are welcome to decorate their cars and share in a meal. Questions or to sign-up, check with Preschool Director Miranda Verik, or see the Sign-Up Genius from Tuesday's *News to Know* email.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR



Sunday, October 8

- Worship, 9:30am
- Nursery provided for children aged 5 and under
- Sharing Generously Meeting, 7pm

Monday, October 9

- Preschool, 9:30am
- BSA Troops 1910 & 1920, 7pm

Tuesday, October 10

- Preschool, 9:30am
- Seasoned Believers, 9am, @ Chick-Fil-A on Route 32 in Westfield

Wednesday, October 11

- Preschool, 9:30am
- Afternoon Bible Study, 1pm
- Evening Bible Study, 7pm
- Band Rehearsal, 7:30pm

Thursday, October 12

- Preschool, 9:30am

Friday, October 13

- Preschool, 9:30am

Saturday, October 14

- Men's Group, 8am

Sunday, October 15

- Worship, 9:30am
- Nursery provided for children aged 5 and under
- Scout 12pm

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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.

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