



Lent 5
April 3, 2022

New Life Lutheran Church
Pearland, Texas

10:30AM



*New Life Lutheran Church is a partner congregation of
the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.*

GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS.

- ROOTED *in the Word*
- REFRESHED *in the Spirit*
- REACHING *into the Neighborhood & the World!*

TODAY @ NEW LIFE:

Our God makes all things new. In the first reading God promises it. In the gospel Mary anticipates it, anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume in preparation for the day of his burial. In the second reading Paul recalls his transformation from the persecutor Saul into an apostle. In baptism, God's new person (you!) rises daily from the deadly mire of trespasses and sins.

Gathering Songs

New Life House Band

WELCOME



More Love, More Power

More love (echo), more power (echo)
More of You in my life
More love (echo), more power (echo)
More of You in my life

And I will worship You with all of my heart
And I will worship You with all of my mind
And I will worship You with all of my strength
For You are my Lord (repeat Chorus)

And I will seek Your face with all of my heart
And I will seek Your face with all of my mind
And I will seek Your face with all of my strength
For You are my Lord
You are my Lord. (repeat Chorus)

CALL TO WORSHIP



All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P: In the name of God, who makes a way in the wilderness, walks with us, and guides us in our pilgrimage.

C: Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION



P: Holy One,

C: we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

WORDS OF ABSOLUTION AND FORGIVENESS

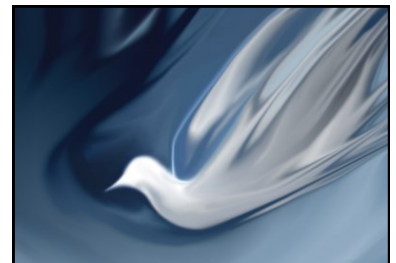
P: Beloved in Christ, the Word draws near to you, and all who call out to God shall be saved. In Jesus, God comes to you again and again and gathers you under wings of love. In ☩ Jesus' name, your sins are forgiven. God journeys with you and teaches you how to live in love.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

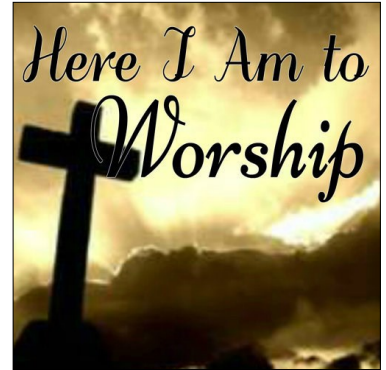


Here I am to Worship

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness.
Opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore you
Hope of a life spent with you

Chorus:

Here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that you're my God,
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.



King of all days, oh so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created.
All for love's sake became poor. *Chorus*

Bridge:

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross. (3x)

Chorus

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness.
Opened my eyes, let me see.

Words: Tim Hughes

GREETING

P: Grace and peace to all of you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; and may the inseparableness of the Holy Spirit be with everyone here!

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*Each Sunday a special message is shared with all the children ages infants through 6th grade.
All God's children are welcome!*

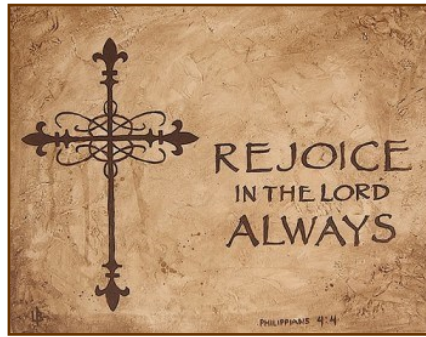


WE HEAR GOD'S HOLY WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,
¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down,
they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:
¹⁸Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.
¹⁹I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.
²⁰The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches;
for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert,
to give drink to my chosen people,
²¹the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Here ends the reading.



Second Reading: Philippians 3:4b-14

[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: Word of God. Word of Life!

C: Thanks be to God!

P: The Good News of Jesus, Son of God according to St. John.

C: Praise to You, Lord Christ!

Gospel

READING



GOSPEL: John 12:1-8

¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

P: Word of God. Word of Life!

C: Thanks be to God.



THE MESSAGE



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

Refrain:

Jesus Messiah, name above all names
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel
The rescue for sinners, The ransom from Heaven
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

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

All our hope is in You! All our hope is in You!
All the glory to You, God: The light of the world Refrain

*Words and music by Chris Tomlin, Christopher Dwayne Tomlin,
Daniel Carson, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves*

Messiah

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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 THE CHURCH

P: Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

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P: Do a new thing in the church. Free us from paradigms that no longer serve the gospel and bring forward leaders who imagine fresh ways of doing ministry. Give us courage in the face of change. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer

P: Do a new thing in our world. Break barriers that prevent political enemies from working together for the well-being of all. Make a way for peace and collaboration among the nations. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer

P: Do a new thing for those who suffer. Reveal a path for any who are unemployed or underemployed, for those experiencing homelessness, and for all who struggle with money. Comfort those who grieve and restore those who are sick (*especially*). Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer

Here other intercessions may be offered.

P: Do a new thing in our death. Fill us with the knowledge of Christ and the power of his resurrection as we give thanks for (*names* and) all the saints who have attained the prize of their heavenly call. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer



P: Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

THE OFFERING IS GIVEN

Giving is good for the giver; promoting our trust in God and providing blessings to the world.



TEXT GIVING to New Life

You can now tithe via text. Text to **281.864.3278**, add a \$\$ amount to the message box and send. A link will appear for a 1 time set up.

Once it is set up, it takes seconds to give again.

You can also give thru the New Life website NewLifeLutheran.com
There is a give page and donate options on most of the tab's main pages.

Checks can also be dropped off at the Church, placed in the offering plate or mailed in.

Thank you for supporting New Life's ministry.

THE OFFERTORY

New Life Houseband



THE OFFERING PRAYER

P: Extravagant God,

C: **you have blessed us with the fullness of creation. Now we gather at your feast where you offer us the food that satisfies. Take and use what we offer here, come among us, and feed us with the body and blood of Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

THE 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.**



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere, to give you thanks and praise O Holy Father, our eternal and ever-present God. You sent us your Son, Jesus. In his love, Christ has filled us with joy as we remember his rising and celebrate his return.

C: Amen! Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

P: In the night in which he was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." Again after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance



C: Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come; your 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 yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Here is food and drink for the journey. Take and be filled.

C: AMEN!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION



P: Blessed Jesus,

C: in this rich meal of grace, you have fed us with your body, the bread of life. Now send us forth to bear your life-giving hope to a world in need. Amen.

BLESSING

P: You are children of God, anointed with the oil of gladness and strengthened for the journey. Almighty God, motherly, majestic, and mighty, ☩ bless you this day and always.

C: Amen!

A SENDING SONG

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

- 1 Precious Lord, take my hand,
lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
Through the storm, through the night,
lead me on to the light.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
- 2 When my way grows drear,
precious Lord, linger near,
when my life is almost gone,
hear my cry, hear my call,
hold my hand lest I fall.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.
- 3 When the darkness appears
and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand,
guide my feet, hold my hand.
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.



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WE GO TO SERVE THE LORD

P: Go in peace. Jesus meets you on the way.
C: Thanks be to God.





All are Welcome

NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH

PEARLAND, TEXAS



LENTEN SERVICES

New Life's last Wednesday Lenten Service @
7:00pm on April 6

Soup Supper @ 5:30 pm



Sunday, April 10th - Palm Sunday

Thursday, April 14th - Maundy Thursday - Service @ 7pm



Friday, April 15th - Good Friday Service @ 7pm

Fish Fry & Silent Auction @ 5:30pm



Sunday, April 17th - Easter



Mark your calendars for the Community Children's Easter Party

Saturday, April 9th @ 11am.

Games, Crafts, Food, and a visit from the Easter Bunny. Bring baskets
for the egg hunt! Needed: donations of eggs and candy.



In Sympathy – We extend our Christian sympathy to Helen Cunningham, family and friends for the loss of her husband Luther, who died in Christ on March 18, 2022. Luther's service was held at Clayton Funeral Home on Friday, March 25th. The family asks that donations in his memory be made to Christian Helping Hands.

Altar Flowers this week are provided by Lynn & Doug Barron
in honor of family birthdays.



The 2022 Sign-Up Charts for Altar Flowers (\$45),
Communion Elements (\$40) & Lawn Care (now \$560/mo.)
are now available in the Narthex.

