



NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pearland, TX

Worship at 10:30 AM

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Communion

July 17, 2022

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

GATHERING SONGS - New Life House Band

WELCOME – Pastor Grant Housewright

GATHERING SONG *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

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Opened my eyes, let me see.

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose steadfast love
endures forever.

All: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful God,

All: we confess that we have not followed your path but have chosen our own way. Instead of putting others before ourselves, we long to take the best seats at the table. When met by those in need, we have too often passed by on the other side. Set us again on the path of life. Save us from ourselves and free us to love our neighbors. Amen.

P: Hear the good news! God does not deal with us according to our sins but delights in granting pardon and mercy. In the name of ✠ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are free to love as God loves.

All: Amen.

GATHERING SONG Better is One Day

How lovely is Your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty.
For my soul longs and even faints for You.
For here my heart is satisfied within Your presence.
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings.

Better is one day in Your courts, better is one day in Your house,
better is one day in Your courts than thousands elsewhere.
Better is one day in Your courts, better is one day in Your house,
better is one day in Your courts than thousands elsewhere,
than thousands elsewhere.

One thing I ask and I would seek: to see Your beauty,
to find You in the place Your glory dwells.
For You are both our light and shield; your grace and power
Bring joy to all who place their trust in You.

Better is one day in Your courts, better is one day in Your house,
better is one day in Your courts than thousands elsewhere.
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PRAYER - Pastor Grant Housewright

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Genesis 18:1-10

A: ¹The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. ²He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. ³He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. ⁴Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. ⁵Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." ⁶And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." ⁷Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. ⁸Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

⁹They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." ^{10a}Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

A: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 15

Please read responsively

A: ¹LORD, who may dwell in your tabernacle?
Who may abide upon your holy hill?

**All: ²Those who lead a blameless life and do what is right,
who speak the truth from their heart;**

A: ³they do not slander with the tongue,
they do no evil ⁴to their friends;
they do not cast discredit up- on a neighbor.

**All: ⁴In their sight the wicked are rejected,
but they honor those who fear the LORD.
They have sworn upon their health and do not take back
their word.**

A: ⁵They do not give their money in hope of gain,
nor do they take bribes against the innocent.

All: Those who do these things shall never be overthrown.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15-28

A: ¹⁵[Christ Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to

make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

A: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Better is One Day

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GOSPEL READING: Luke 10:38-42

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: ³⁸Now as [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON - Pastor Grant Housewright

SONG OF THE DAY ***What a Beautiful Name***

VERSE 1

You were the Word at the beginning
One with God the Lord most high
Your hidden glory in creation
Now revealed in You our Christ

CHORUS 1

What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

VERSE 2

You didn't want heaven without us
So Jesus You brought heaven down
My sin was great Your love was greater
What could separate us now?

CHORUS 2

What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus
What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

BRIDGE

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You
You silence the boast of sin and grave
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory
For You are raised to life again
You have no rival, You have no equal
Now and forever God You reign
Yours is the kingdom, Yours is the glory
Yours is the Name above all Names

CHORUS 3

What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is
The Name of Jesus Christ my King
What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against
What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus

THE APOSTLES' CREED

P: Let us confess our faith together using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**All: 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

A: United in Christ and guided by the Spirit, we pray for the church, the creation, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A: Ever-present God, in Christ you fill all things. As your church gathers to hear your word, share your meal, and receive your blessing, teach us to welcome strangers as we have been welcomed by you. God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

A: Through Christ you created all things, visible and invisible. Teach humankind to honor and protect all creation, including living things that remain hidden from our eyes such as air, atmosphere, molecules, and microscopic creatures. God of grace,

All: hear our prayer.

A: Through Christ you reconcile all things. Motivate those in power to end enslavement, dehumanization, or brutality of any kind and to protect and improve the lives of Indigenous peoples. God of grace,
All: hear our prayer.

A: Through Christ you bring peace. Assure all who are worried and distracted by many things of your constant presence. Soothe those suffering in mind, body, or spirit, including our homebound members. Sustain all who are afflicted and those who serve as caregivers. God of grace,
All: hear our prayer.

A: In Christ you make your word fully known. Inspire this worshiping community to abide fully in your word as we sit at the feet of Jesus. Bless the ministry of teachers and Bible study leaders. God of grace,
All: hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: In Christ you brought forth the firstborn from the dead. We give thanks for the saints you have gathered at your table. Gather us with them in your eternal glory. God of grace,
All: hear our prayer.

P: God of every time and place, in Jesus' name and filled with your Holy Spirit, we entrust these spoken prayers and those in our hearts into your holy keeping.
All: Amen.

PEACE

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
All: And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

The ministry of New Life Lutheran Church is made possible through the tithes, gifts, and offerings of the people. We encourage you to give as an act of worship today.. You can offer a gift by texting to 281.864.3278, adding a dollar amount to the message box, and send. A link will appear for a one time set up. Once it is set up, it takes seconds to give again. You can also give through our website by scanning the QR code on the pew.

OFFERTORY - New Life House Band

OFFERING PRAYER

A: 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.

All: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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 of me.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

All: 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.

P: In Christ's presence there is fullness of joy.
Come to the banquet.

All: Amen. Thanks be to God.

SHARING THE MEAL

Everyone is welcome to receive Jesus in bread and wine. This is Jesus' table and he welcomes all. Pre-filled communion packets are available in the Narthex if you would prefer to receive communion that way. Everyone else is invited to come down the center aisle maintaining two continuous lines. You will receive a piece of bread with the words, "The body of Christ given for you," and you can respond with, "Amen." Remain on the side of the section of pews you are sitting in. You will receive an individual cup of either wine (red) or grape juice (clear) with the words, "The blood of Christ shed for you," and you can respond with, "Amen." There is a basket available for your empty cup. You will then return to your pew from the side aisle.

COMMUNION SONG *Build My Life*

Verse 1

Worthy of every song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for you, we live for you

Verse 2

Jesus, the Name above every other name
Jesus, the only One who could ever save
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe
We live for you, we live for you

Chorus

Holy, there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
Show me who You are and fill me
With Your heart and lead me
In your love to those around me

Repeat Verse 2 and Chorus

Bridge

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken X2

Chorus

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: 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.

All: Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Johnny Salvesen

BLESSING

P: The God of peace, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you,
comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always.

All: Amen.

SENDING SONG *We Are the Light of the World*

Every secret, every shame. Every fear, every pain.
Live inside the dark, but that's not who we are.
We are children of the day.

Refrain:

We are the light of the world.
We are the city on a hill.
We are the light of the world.
We gotta, we gotta, we gotta let the light shine.

We are called to spread the news. To tell the world the simple truth.
Jesus came to save, there's freedom in his name.
So let His love break through. *Refrain*

After Last Refrain:

Let the light shine. Let the light shine.
Let the light shine. Let the light shine.

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DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. Love your neighbor.

All: Thanks be to God.

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**All Are Welcome!
New Life Lutheran Church**

**UPCOMING CHURCH
ACTIVITY & WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 17th

8:00 am & 10:30 am In-Person & Livestream Worship
Fellowship Hour @ 9:15am

Season of Pentecost

Vacation Bible School Leaders Meeting Sunday, July 24th @ 9:15am

Single Mom's Closet Saturday, July 30th 10:30am-2:30pm

Vacation Bible School July 31st – August 4th, 6:00-8:00pm

Rally Day & Backpack Blessing August 14th

Sunday School Begins August 21st

New Member Class August 28th @ Noon

God's Work, Our Hands Service Sunday September 11th

One Worship Service @ 9:30am

Altar Flowers this week are provided by Nancy & Roland Bryars in
honor of their 29th Wedding Anniversary.



Today's Worship Leaders (10:30am)

Assisting Minister

Communion Assistants

Usher

Technology

Bryan Bradford

Barbara Flowers, Meredith Oliver

Cathy Scott

Mike Kiser, Korie Williams