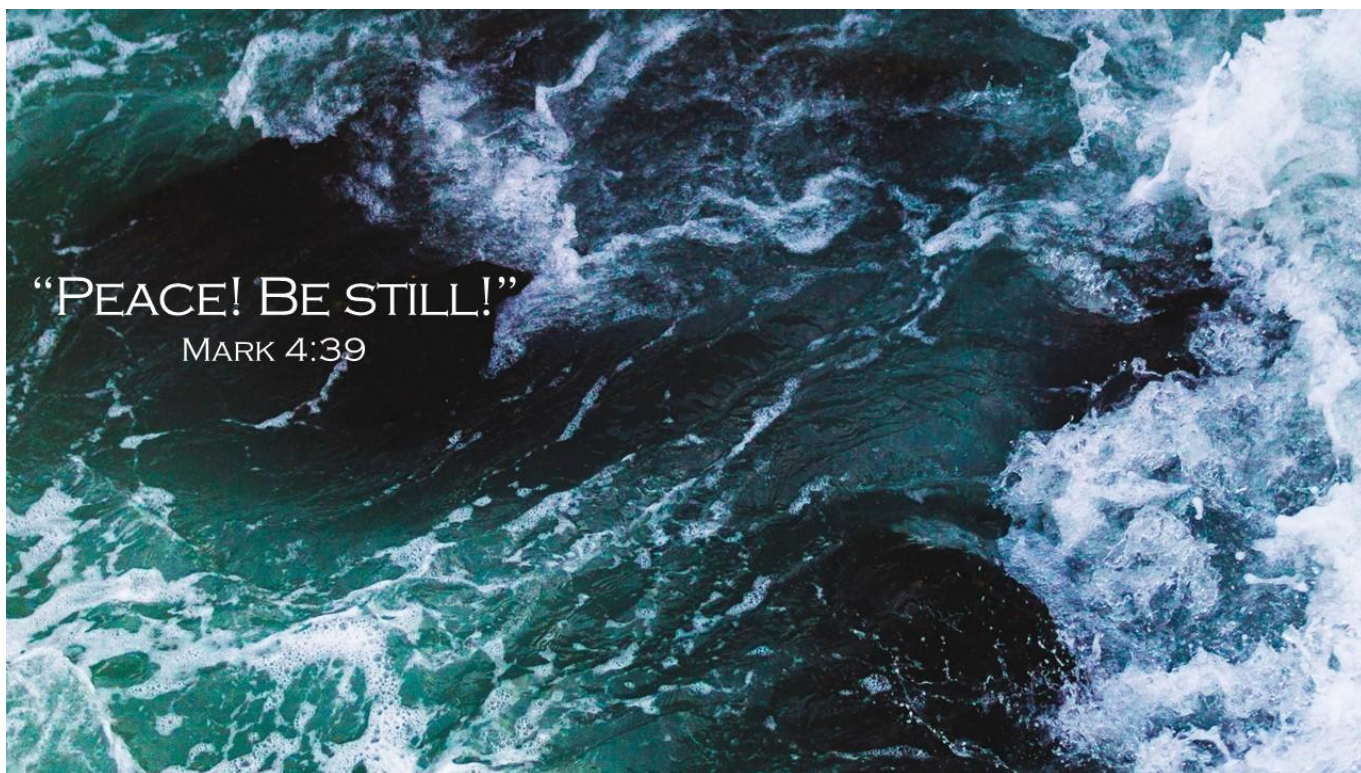




NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH

Pearland, TX

Worship at 10:30 AM

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Communion

June 23, 2024

*Our mission is to raise disciples planted in God's love,
growing in faithfulness, and nourishing the world.*

GATHERING

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

GATHERING SONG

How Can I Keep From Singing?

There is an endless song
Echoes in my soul
I hear the music ring
And though the storms may come
I am holding on, to the rock I cling

Chorus

How can I keep from singing Your praise
How can I ever say enough
How amazing is Your love
How can I keep from shouting Your name
I know I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart (want to sing)

I will lift my eyes
In the darkest night
For I know my Savior lives
And I will walk with You
Knowing You'll see me through
And sing the songs You give

Repeat Chorus

I can sing in the troubled times, sing when I win
I can sing when I lose my step and fall down again
I can sing 'cause You pick me up, sing 'cause You're there
I can sing 'cause You hear me Lord when I call to You in prayer
I can sing with my last breath, sing for I know
That I'll sing with the angels and the saints around the throne

Repeat Chorus

I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart
I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart want to sing
I can sing

WELCOME – Pastor Clayton Faulkner

GATHERING SONG *Everlasting God*

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord (*Repeat*)

Pre-Chorus

Our God, You reign forever
Our Hope, our strong Deliverer

Chorus

You are the everlasting God
The everlasting God
You do not faint
You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

Repeat ALL

Repeat Pre-Chorus and Chorus

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CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the God of manna, the God of miracles, the God of mercy.

All: Amen.

P: Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: God, our provider,

All: help us. It is hard to believe there is enough to share. We question your ways when they differ from the ways of the world in which we live. We turn to our own understanding rather than trusting in you. We take offense at your teachings and your ways. Turn us again to you. Where else can we turn? Share with us the words of eternal life and feed us for life in the world. Amen.

P: Beloved people of God: in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished. By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough. Through Jesus, ✠ the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy: you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.

All: Amen.

OPENING SONG *Forever*

Give thanks to the Lord
Our God and King
His love endures forever
For He is good, He is above all things
His love endures forever
Sing praise, sing praise

With a mighty hand
And an outstretched arm
His love endures forever
For the life that's been reborn
His love endures forever
Sing praise, sing praise
Sing praise, sing praise

Chorus

Forever God is faithful
Forever God is strong
Forever God is with us
Forever, forever, forever

From the rising to the setting sun
His love endures forever
And by the grace of God
We will carry on
His love endures forever
Sing praise, sing praise
Sing praise, sing praise
Repeat Chorus 2x

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PRAYER – Pastor Clayton Faulkner

WORD

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

FIRST READING: Job 38:1-11

A: ¹The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: ²"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? ³Brace yourself like a warrior, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. ⁴"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. ⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? ⁶On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone ⁷when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? ⁸"Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— ⁹when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, ¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, ¹¹and said, 'Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped?'"

A: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 107:1-3, 23-32 *Please read responsively.*

A: ¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good, for God's mercy endures forever.

All: ²Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,

A: ³gathering them in from the lands; from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

All: ²³Some went down to the sea in ships, plying their trade in deep waters.

A: ²⁴They beheld the works of the LORD, God's wonderful works in the deep.

All: ²⁵Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose, which tossed high the waves of the sea.

A: ²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths; their souls melted away in their peril.

All: ²⁷They staggered and reeled like drunkards, and all their skill was of no avail.

A: ²⁸Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD, and you delivered them from their distress.

All: ²⁹You stilled the storm to a whisper and silenced the waves of the sea.

A: ³⁰Then were they glad when it grew calm, when you guided them to the harbor they desired.

All: ³¹Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love and your wonderful works for all people.

A: ³²Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people;

All: in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

A: ¹As we work together with God, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For God says, "At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you." See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. ¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. ¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

A: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Forever God is faithful
Forever God is strong
Forever God is with us
Forever, forever, forever

GOSPEL READING: Mark 4:35-41

P: The holy gospel according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: ³⁵When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But Jesus was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" ³⁹Jesus woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" ⁴¹And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

P: The gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON – Pastor Clayton Faulkner

SONG OF THE DAY *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus

My chains are gone, I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures

Repeat Chorus 2x

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

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APOSTLES' CREED

P: Joining together let us confess our faith 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: We come before the triune God to pray for our communities, ourselves, and our world.

A brief silence.

A: Equip your faithful people to approach this world with a sense of wonder. Make your church a safe place to explore big questions, troubling doubts, and honest laments. Humble our hearts to repent of the ways that communities of faith have inflicted pain or trauma. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

A: You spoke creation into order from the chaos of the swirling deep. May your name be praised by rivers and seas, wetlands and waterfalls. Secure clean water for all people and protect water sources from contamination or exploitation. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

A: Amid whirlwinds of division, violence, and conflict, remind us again that you are as steadfast as the foundations of the earth. Rejuvenate peacemakers, advocates, and community organizers when they feel weary in their work. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

A: Deliver your people from their distress, O God. We lift before you all who are sick or struggling. Grant consolation and peace to all who live with chronic, terminal, or persistent illness. In times of affliction or hardship, sustain us in faith. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

A: Enfold all travelers with your protection. Bless the comings and goings of this assembly as we travel for leisure or for work. Let all journeys be met with hospitality on the way, and let community members return to us with celebration. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

A: Now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation for all the redeemed of the Lord. Joined together with the great cloud of witnesses, we give thanks for your steadfast love and your wonderful works. Merciful God,

All: receive our prayer.

P: Receive our prayers, O God, and come quickly to our aid, through the power of the Spirit and the love of Jesus Christ.

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 – Houseband

OFFERING PRAYER

A: Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world.

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.

P: 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: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

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 *Agnus Dei*

Alleluia, alleluia

For the Lord God Almighty reigns

Alleluia, alleluia

For the Lord God Almighty reigns

Alleluia, holy, holy

Are you Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb

Worthy is the Lamb

For you are holy, holy

Are you Lord God Almighty

Worthy is the Lamb

Worthy is the Lamb

Amen

Repeat all

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BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

P: Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ bless you, strengthen you, and keep you in God's grace.

All: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray.

All: Amen.

SENDING

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Pastor Clayton Faulkner

BLESSING

P: The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, ☩ be upon you now and forever.

All: Amen.

SENDING SONG *Love the Lord*

Love the Lord your God with all your heart
With all your soul, with all your mind
And with all your strength (*Repeat*)

With all your heart, with all your soul
With all your mind, with all your strength

Love the Lord your God with all your heart
With all your soul, with all your mind
And with all your strength

I will serve the Lord with all my heart
With all my soul, with all my mind
And with all my strength (*Repeat*)

With all my heart, with all my soul
With all my mind, with all my strength

I will serve the Lord with all my heart
With all my soul, with all my mind
And with all my strength

I will love You (I will love You)
I will praise You (I will praise You)
I will serve You (I will serve You)
I will trust You (I will trust You)

With all my heart, with all my soul
With all my mind, with all my strength (*Repeat*)

I will love you Lord with all my heart
With all my soul, with all my mind
And with all my strength (*Repeat 2x*)

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DISMISSAL

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today is the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost: June 23

Traditional Worship: 8:00 AM

Bible Study with Pastor Clayton: 9:15 AM

Contemporary Worship: 10:30 AM

Meals on Wheels: New Life will help deliver meals to our community the week of June 24-28. Contact Barbara Flowers to sign up.

ONE SERVICE: On Sunday, July 7th we will have one combined worship service at 9:30 AM.

Youth Gathering Donations: We have six students and two adults attending the Youth Gathering in New Orleans from July 16-20. One of the ways New Life members can support this experience is by donating Liquid IV hydration packets. The Youth Gathering has set a goal of assembling 3,000 disaster relief kits filled with items that are most requested in the days following a hurricane. Our group has been asked to bring Liquid IV hydration packets (Gatorade, Propel, LMNT, or any electrolyte powder packet for water is also acceptable). You can bring these donations to New Life between now and July 14.

Godly Play: New Life will begin to offer Godly Play for children during Sunday School beginning in August. To help us prepare for this new curriculum, we are seeking donations for some of the items needed for the lessons. Thanks to everyone who has provided donated items and gifts. Please look in the narthex for an updated donation list.

Today's Worship Leaders (10:30 AM)

Assisting Minister

Cheryl Robinson

Communion Assistants

Tamsey Mims, Merideth Oliver

Usher

Mary Ann Marcha

Technology

Ryan Strickland

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