

New Life Ev. Lutheran Church Lake Zurich, IL

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Third Sunday After Pentecost The 487th Anniversary of the Presentation of the Augsburg Confession June 25, 2017

A warm welcome to those who are visiting us today. You may hang your coat in the entry way of the church or on the coat rack downstairs. The bathrooms are located in the basement of this building. Before you go home today, please sign our guest book located on the podium in the entry way. Also, refreshments are served in the basement after our service this morning. We invite you to join us for something to eat and drink.

Our lower level is wired for sound. If you need to take your child out during the service, you won't miss any of the sermon.

In the unlikely event of an emergency during this morning's service, you can exit the building using the main entryway or the exit to the right of the chancel. Our building does have a fire alarm system which is wired directly to the fire department.

Before Service Prayer: Dear Father in heaven, as I begin this new week, accept my thanks for every gift that You have given me for my body, mind, and soul, and especially for giving me saving faith and the promise of eternal life in heaven. I know that I am not always thankful enough and have not always made the best use of Your blessings. But I am sorry for my sins and ask Your forgiveness for Jesus' sake. Bless the whole Christian church and all its members on this day of prayer and praise. Guide those who preach and teach, and open the hearts of those who hear. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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Theme for Today's Service: While today will slip by for many Lutherans without the fanfare of Reformation Day, June 25 marks the day in 1530 on which God-fearing laymen took their stand for the Gospel and presented their confession of faith before Emperor Charles V at the Diet of Augsburg. You might even call today the birthday of the Lutheran Church! That confession made 487 years ago continues to shape what we believe, teach, and confess before the world today. Centered on Christ and focused on the free gift of salvation that is ours by grace through faith, the Augsburg Confession reminds us of the high privilege it is to confess Jesus Christ. As our lips confess His name and as we worship Him with "psalms and hymns and spiritual songs" (Ephesians 5:19), we rejoice that Jesus confesses us before His Father in heaven!

Pastor's Welcome

Opening Hymn: CW 203 "Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word"

Stand

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

P: "Since the fall of Adam, all who are naturally born are born with sin, that is, without the fear of God, without trust in God, and with the inclination to sin, called concupiscence," says Article II of the Augsburg Confession.

C: "Concupiscence is a disease and original vice that is truly sin. It damns and brings eternal death on those who are not born anew through Baptism and the Holy Spirit."

P: Let us come before our Lord in confession, acknowledging the disease of the Old Adam within us, and receive the healing forgiveness that is ours in the Second Adam, our Lord Jesus Christ. Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C: **Heavenly Father, we confess that we are sinful from birth and deserving of Your condemnation. We do not fear You as we ought, nor do we trust in You above all things. By what we have done and what we have failed to do, we have broken the commands of Your Word. Through the power of Your Holy Spirit, whom You have given to us in Baptism, cleanse our hearts and renew our spirits. Draw us again to the cross of Christ that we may receive the forgiveness He alone can give. Hear us as we pray, "Lord, have mercy."**

After each of the prayers are sung by the first soloist, the second soloist will sing the first half of the response and the congregation will repeat what has just been sung. Kyrie (or Christe) eleison means, Lord, have mercy.

Soloist:

- 1) Lord Jesus, You raise us to new life:
- 2) Lord Jesus, You forgive us our sins:
- 3) Lord Jesus, You feed us with Your body and blood:



1. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, e - le - i - son,
2. Chri - ste e - le - i - son, e - le - i - son,
3. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, e - le - i - son,



Ky - ri - e. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, e -
Chri - ste. Chri - ste e - le - i - son, e -
Ky - ri - e. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son, e -



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P: "Our people are taught that they should highly prize the Absolution as being God's voice and pronounced by God's command," says Article XXV of the Augsburg Confession. "The Power of the Keys is set forth in its beauty. [We] are reminded what great consolation it brings to anxious consciences."

C: We are also reminded, "God requires faith to believe such Absolution as a voice sounding from heaven. . . . Such faith in Christ truly obtains and receives the forgiveness of sins."

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Glory to God

P: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!

Soloist sings the refrain. Congregation repeats the refrain and sings it again as indicated throughout the song. The soloist will sing the verses.

Glo-ry to God in the high - est!

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God! Glo-ry to God

Last time to Coda ◆
in the high-est! Peace to his peo - ple on earth!

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. **(Refrain)**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. **(Refrain)**

You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **(Refrain)**

Sing the final refrain twice. Conclude the second time by singing the Coda:

◆ Coda
Peace on earth!

Prayer of the Day

P & C: Lord God, heavenly Father, You preserved the teaching of the apostolic Church through the confession of the true faith at Augsburg. Continue to cast the bright beams of Your light upon Your Church that we, being instructed by the doctrine of the blessed apostles, may walk in the light of Your truth and finally attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sit

First Lesson: 1 Timothy 6:11b–16 (“*Fight the good fight of the faith.*”)

¹¹ Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which God will bring about in His own time—God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, ¹⁶ who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To Him be honor and might forever. Amen. (NIV 2011)

Gospel Acclamation:

The soloist sings the refrain first. The congregation repeats. The soloist sings the verses. Repeat the refrain as indicated.



Speak, Lord, Your servant is listening; You have the words of everlasting life. **(Refrain)**
Your words, O Lord, are spirit and life; You have the words of everlasting life. **(Refrain)**
The word of God became flesh and lived with us. All who believe are children of God. **(Refrain)**

Stand

The Gospel Lesson: Matthew 10:26–33 (*Do not fear those who persecute.*)

²⁶ “So do not be afraid of them, for there is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known. ²⁷ What I tell you in the dark, speak in the daylight; what is whispered in your ear, proclaim from the roofs. ²⁸ Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them

will fall to the ground outside your Father's care.³⁰ And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹ So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

³² "Whoever acknowledges Me before others, I will also acknowledge before My Father in heaven. ³³ But whoever disowns Me before others, I will disown before My Father in heaven. (NIV 2011)

After the minister concludes the reading of the Gospel, he says:

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

C: **Praise be to You, O Christ!**

Sit

Hymn of the Day: CWS 775 "For Builders Bold Whose Vision Pure"

The Sermon

Stand

Article III of the Augsburg Confession—Of the Son of God

Our Churches also teach that the Word, that is, the Son of God, took upon Himself human nature in the womb of the blessed Virgin Mary. Therefore, He has two natures, the one divine and the other human. They are united in one person and cannot be separated. Thus, there is only one Christ, true God and true man, who was born of the Virgin Mary. He truly suffered, was crucified, died, and was buried. He went through all this so that He could restore us to peace with the Father and be a sacrifice, not just for original sin, but also for all other sins.

The Word (Christ) also went down into hell, and truly rose again the third day. Afterward He went up into heaven so that He might sit on the right hand of the Father. There He rules forever and has power over all creatures, making holy all those that believe in Him. He does this by sending the Holy Spirit into their hearts to rule, comfort, and make them alive, as well as defending them against the devil and the power of sin.

This same Christ will openly come again to judge the living and the dead. Amen.

(Translation by Glen L. Thompson, NPH)

Sit

The Offering

The Offertory

Stand

The Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P: For the land in which we live and work, that all people may acknowledge the merciful goodness of the Creator, let us pray to the Lord.

C: **We confess You as our merciful Lord!**

P: For the Church and her faithful confession throughout the world, that rejoicing in our Lutheran heritage, we may boldly share the saving Gospel of grace, let us pray to the Lord.

C: We confess You as our saving Lord!

P: For all who lead others in our homes and workplaces, that our vocations may be opportunities to live out our confession in action and in truth, let us pray to the Lord.

C: We confess You as our living Lord!

P: For New Life Lutheran Church, that our common confession of Christ and sharing in the Means of Grace may bring blessings to many lives, let us pray to the Lord.

C: We confess You as our gracious Lord!

P: For all who come to the Lord for healing, that they may experience the peace of Jesus and give Him thanks in all circumstances, let us pray to the Lord.

C: We confess You as our healing Lord!

P: For these and all other needs we have, trusting that as we confess Jesus Christ before others, He is confessing us before the Father in heaven, let us pray to the Lord.

C: We confess You as our faithful Lord! Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

The Holy Communion

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you. (spoken)

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for Your life-giving, life sustaining Word. Preserved by Your mighty hand through the ages, this Word is our lasting heritage and our source of life each day. By Your Word, You draw us to the cross of Your Son, Jesus Christ, who died our death that we might live in and through Him for all eternity. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Holy, Holy Holy

All

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might.

Heav - en and earth are full of your glo -

ry. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na,

Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na,

Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Words of Institution

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

C: Amen.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
repeat as needed
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the
repeat as needed
sins of the world, have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the
world, grant us peace.

Sit

Our Communion Practice

New Life Lutheran Church practices “close communion.” We ask that only members of New Life or other WELS churches partake of the sacrament. We ask our visitors to please respect our communion practice.

The Distribution Hymn: “Brave Hearts Made Bold” (tune, CW 312)

**Brave hearts made bold, God’s truth confessed, Both life and honor daring;
The apostolic faith expressed, Before the world declaring
That God is one, yet One in Three, Coequal in their majesty:
God—Father, Son, and Spirit.**

**God’s only Son embraced our shame, Our tent of flesh assuming;
This guiltless Lord our sin became, Sin’s wage to death Him dooming:
In Pontius Pilate’s judgment hall, Bedecked in bloodied, purple pall,
Christ made the good confession.**

**Our full forgiveness Christ has won; What sinless, selfless dying!
Faith trusts all Jesus Christ has done—His merit, justifying!
His holy, spotless righteousness, We here believe and here confess;
No work can gain God’s favor.**

**O Lord, I love Your holy house, Your glory here is dwelling:
Your Law is preached my heart to rouse, To censure its rebelling;
Your Gospel words of truth and grace, All fears within my heart erase—
Glad news of peace, O Jesus!**

**Your steadfast love before my eyes; Your faithfulness, my blessing!
Your truth I cannot compromise, Before the world confessing;
For in Your Word and Sacrament, I find my strength and am content
And taste the joy of heaven.**

**In You, Lord Christ, I have no fear, Nor fear the world’s defaming;
Your hidden, whispered word is clear—My joy, its clear proclaiming!
Though hostile foes my body kill, My soul is safe within Your will,
Avowed before Your Father.**

**Brave hearts, be bold! God’s truth confess, Your life and honor daring;
The apostolic faith express, By word and deed declaring
The love of God in Christ for all, That all may heed Love’s wedding call
And feast with God forever!**

Stand

Thanksgiving

P: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good.

C: And His mercy endures forever.

P: We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through Your Means of Grace. By Your Word, Jesus Christ has spoken to us. May He now speak through us as we confess Him before the world. By Your Supper, Jesus Christ has served us. May He now serve others through us as we share the forgiveness He has given by His death and resurrection. For to You, O Father, be all glory and praise, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

The Blessing

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn: CW 293 “God’s Word Is Our Great Heritage”

Sit

Announcements

Our Father's Business in the Coming Week

Cleaning this Week: Dressel

Today— Communion Service at 9:30 AM
Wedding Shower for Vanesa Abad at 11:30 AM

Monday—Men's Bible Class at 11:30 AM

Next Sunday—**Independence Day Worship Service at 9:30 AM**

Volunteers are needed to bring something to eat and drink for fellowship on Sunday mornings. Please sign up on the sheet located on the bulletin board in the lower level.

The preschool currently has 21 children enrolled for the 2017-18 school year, seven three-year-old and fourteen four-year-old children. The goal for enrollment is 40, twenty in each session.

Summer Bible class is being held on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM. The Bible class will not be meeting this Wednesday, but will meet again on July 5.

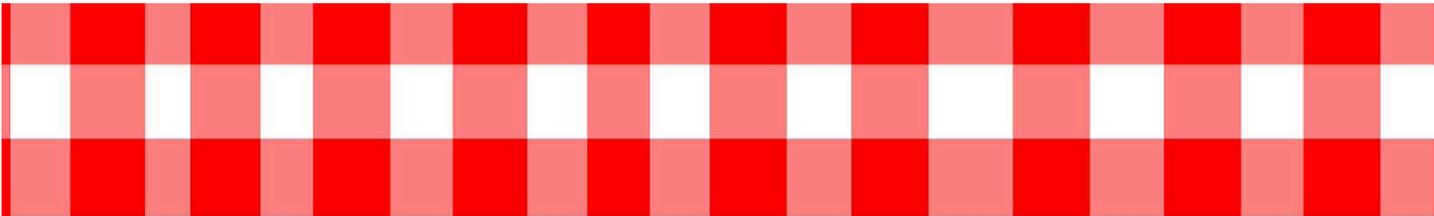
A wedding shower for Vanesa Abad will held TODAY at 11:30 AM in the fellowship hall. Even if you didn't get a chance to sign-up, you are still welcome to attend.

Thank you to Mike Spangle and John Landenberger for waxing the floor in the lower level and the preschool room.

Around 122 people from many different Lutheran churches in the area attended the screening of the Luther movie this past Thursday.

New Life's VBS will be held on August 7-11. The theme for this year's VBS is "Nailed It—A Reformation VBS." You can register by going to the church's website at www.newlife-wels.org





New Life's Annual Voters Meeting and Church Picnic

Sunday, July 9th

**Voters Meeting at 10:45
Picnic at Noon**

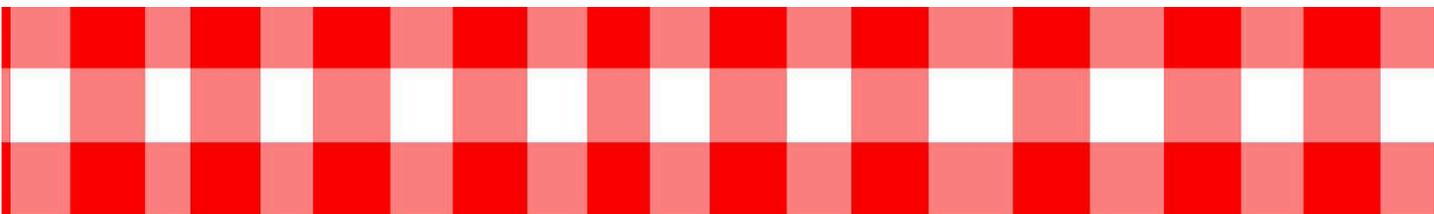
Fellowship, food & fun

CHURCH

Picnic



**Bring a side, salad or dessert to pass!
Brats, hotdogs, hamburgers, and drinks will be provided.**





The Presentation of the Augsburg Confession
June 25, 1530