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**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost  
July 23, 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.*

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**God Comforts His People with His Forgiveness**

**BEFORE WORSHIP**

*Personal prayers for worship are found on pages 10-11 in the front part of the hymnal.  
A personal preparation for Holy Communion is found on page 156 in the front part of the hymnal.*

**THEME FOR TODAY'S SERVICE:** Living on Leftovers

**HYMN CW 611 "For the Fruit of His Creation"**

*(Christian hymns preach Jesus Christ: crucified, risen and seated at God's right hand.)  
Please stand.*

*(The work of worship belongs to every Christian. Each of us stands as a priest before God.)*

**INVOCATION**

*(The sign of the cross may be made by those present in remembrance of their Baptism.)*

**M:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: (spoken) Amen.**

## CONFESSION OF SINS

### CONFESSION

(1 John 1:8-9)

M: Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love;

**C: according to Your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.**

M: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,

**C: and cleanse me from my sin!** *Psalm 51:1, 2*

M: Let us then confess our sins to God, our gracious Father.

**M & C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we poor sinners beseech You to hear our words of repentance. We have sinned against You and have transgressed Your commands in thought, word, and deed. We have done the evil You forbid and have not done the good You demand. We do repent and are truly sorry for all of our sins, both known and unknown to us. Have mercy on us because of Jesus, our Savior. Grant that, by the working of the Holy Spirit, we may walk as Your forgiven and restored children here on earth until that time when we finally come into Your glorious heavenly presence.**

### ABSOLUTION

(John 20:21-23)

*(“The use of the keys is that special power and right which Christ gave to His church on earth: to forgive the sins of the penitent sinners.” Luther’s Small Catechism: The Use of the Keys and Confession.)*

M: God has promised His mercy and forgiveness to those who repent of their sins and turn to Him in repentance and humility. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. May our merciful Lord keep you steadfast in the Holy Spirit, lead you to greater faith and obedience, and bring you to live with Him forever, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

### KYRIE

(Mark 10:47)

*(These are the words to the oldest canticle in the Christian church, the Kyrie.)*

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, hear our prayer.**

M: For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from You all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the spread of Your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in You, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C: Christ, have mercy.**

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of eternal life as we await Your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M. Lord of life, live in us that we may live for You.

**C: Amen.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

**All glory be to God on high!  
Your name, O Lord, we glorify;  
We praise You for Your peace and grace,  
Your favor toward our fallen race.**

**Our grateful thanks to You we bring,  
For Your great glory, heav'nly King,  
For all, O Father, You have done  
Through Jesus Christ, Your only Son.**

**O Lamb of God, to You we pray.  
You take all human sin away.  
Have mercy, Lord; receive our prayer;  
From God's right hand, Your mercy share.**

**You, Christ, are holy—Lord alone;  
The Father's glory You made known.  
We by Your Spirit sing again:  
"All glory be to God!" Amen. (tune, CW 582)**

## SALUTATION AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

*(The salutation is a Christian greeting, offered here for mutual encouragement as the congregation prepares to hear God's word.)*

M: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

M: Gracious Father, You use creation to provide for the needs of all Your creatures, and as You do, You remind us, who belong to You by faith, to remember those who are in need. Grant each of us an eye for the poor and needy, and move us by Your outpouring of love in Your Son, to not only receive Your mercy but also be distributors of Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE WORD

*[We sit at the feet of Jesus like Mary did, to hear His word (Luke 10:42).]*

**FIRST LESSON**     **Ruth 2:2-17** (*Harvesting, with an eye toward the poor.*)

<sup>2</sup> And Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, “Let me go to the fields and pick up the leftover grain behind anyone in whose eyes I find favor.”

Naomi said to her, “Go ahead, my daughter.” <sup>3</sup> So she went out, entered a field and began to glean behind the harvesters. As it turned out, she was working in a field belonging to Boaz, who was from the clan of Elimelek.

<sup>4</sup> Just then Boaz arrived from Bethlehem and greeted the harvesters, “The LORD be with you!”

“The LORD bless you!” they answered.

<sup>5</sup> Boaz asked the overseer of his harvesters, “Who does that young woman belong to?”

<sup>6</sup> The overseer replied, “She is the Moabite who came back from Moab with Naomi. <sup>7</sup> She said, ‘Please let me glean and gather among the sheaves behind the harvesters.’ She came into the field and has remained here from morning till now, except for a short rest in the shelter.”

<sup>8</sup> So Boaz said to Ruth, “My daughter, listen to me. Don’t go and glean in another field and don’t go away from here. Stay here with the women who work for me. <sup>9</sup> Watch the field where the men are harvesting, and follow along after the women. I have told the men not to lay a hand on you. And whenever you are thirsty, go and get a drink from the water jars the men have filled.”

<sup>10</sup> At this, she bowed down with her face to the ground. She asked him, “Why have I found such favor in your eyes that you notice me—a foreigner?”

<sup>11</sup> Boaz replied, “I’ve been told all about what you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband—how you left your father and mother and your homeland and came to live with a people you did not know before. <sup>12</sup> May the LORD repay you for what you have done. May you be richly rewarded by the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge.”

<sup>13</sup> “May I continue to find favor in your eyes, my lord,” she said. “You have put me at ease by speaking kindly to your servant—though I do not have the standing of one of your servants.”

<sup>14</sup> At mealtime Boaz said to her, “Come over here. Have some bread and dip it in the wine vinegar.”

When she sat down with the harvesters, he offered her some roasted grain. She ate all she wanted and had some left over. <sup>15</sup> As she got up to glean, Boaz gave orders to his men, “Let her gather among the sheaves and don’t reprimand her. <sup>16</sup> Even pull out some stalks for her from the bundles and leave them for her to pick up, and don’t rebuke her.”

<sup>17</sup> So Ruth gleaned in the field until evening. Then she threshed the barley she had gathered, and it amounted to about an ephah. (NIV 2011)

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER**

*Please Stand*

*(The congregation stands and speaks words of acclamation out of respect for the words of Christ, our King.)*

M: The gospel according to St. Matthew, the 15 chapter.

**C: Glory be to You, O Lord.**

**GOSPEL**     **Matthew 15:21-28** (*Crumb of mercy are more than enough!*)

<sup>21</sup> Leaving that place, Jesus withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to Him, crying out, “Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me! My daughter is demon-possessed and suffering terribly.”

<sup>23</sup> Jesus did not answer a word. So His disciples came to Him and urged Him, “Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us.”

<sup>24</sup> He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.”

<sup>25</sup> The woman came and knelt before Him. “Lord, help me!” she said.

<sup>26</sup> He replied, “It is not right to take the children’s bread and toss it to the dogs.”

<sup>27</sup> “Yes it is, Lord,” she said. “Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master’s table.”

<sup>28</sup> Then Jesus said to her, “Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted.” And her daughter was healed at that moment. (NIV 2011)

After the Gospel:

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## **THE NICENE CREED**

**We believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the Father.**

**Through Him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human.**

**For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## **HYMN OF THE DAY CW 481 “O God, Your Hand the Heavens Made”**

*(The Hymn of the Day is a hymn specially assigned to this day for its richness, its content and its connection to the day’s Gospel.)*

## **THE SERMON**

## **OFFERING**

*(Moved by God’s love in Christ, we offer Him our first and our best gifts, purely out of thanks to Him. Visitors to our service can participate in this act of worship, but are not expected to.)*

## **OFFERTORY**

*Please stand.*

## OFFERING PRAYER

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

(1 Timothy 2:1)

## THE SACRAMENT

M: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you. (spoken)**

M: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them up to the Lord.**

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

**C: It is good and right so to do.**

M: It is our duty and delight at all times and in all places to give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Instead of giving to Your people only the crumbs of Your mercy, You have set a lavish table of grace and mercy before us. And now we bless You that, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, we are shown limitless mercy and abiding love through His grace and forgiveness. Therefore, with all the company of heaven we join in the ceaseless hymn and praise Your glorious name singing...

## SANCTUS *(Latin for "Holy," tune CW 372)*

(Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9)

**O holy, holy, holy  
Lord God of pow'r and might,  
Your glory, earth and heaven  
In countless ways recite.  
Hosanna! Come and save us,  
Lord God of hosts on high,  
And in Your grace and mercy  
Receive our fervent cry.**

**Hosanna in the highest!  
How truly blest is He  
Who in God's name is coming  
To set His people free!  
He comes to bring salvation  
And with His blood outpoured,  
Deliver us from bondage—  
Hosanna, mighty Lord!**

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*(Jesus took bread and "gave thanks" (Matthew 26:26).)*

M: In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation

by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him. We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood, for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we join in praying...

## LORD'S PRAYER

(Matthew 6:9-13)

**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.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(1 Corinthians 11:23-25)

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

Then He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is My blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

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

C: **Amen.**

## AGNUS DEI (*Latin for "Lamb of God,"*)

(John 1:29)

The image shows three staves of musical notation for the Agnus Dei. The first staff is in 4/4 time, G major, and contains the lyrics: "Lamb of God, you take a - way the". A red 'C' symbol is placed above the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with the lyrics: "sin of the world; have mer - cy on us." The third staff begins with a key signature change to A major and contains the lyrics: "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the".



*Please be seated.*

### OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE

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

### DISTRIBUTION

During the distribution the congregation will sing **CWS 744 “You Satisfy the Hungry Heart”** (*The soloist will sing the refrain and verse 1; the congregation can join in on the refrain for the remainder of the hymn and the soloist will sing the verses.*)

*Please stand.*

**NUNC DIMITTIS** (*Latin for “Now Dismiss,” tune CW 372*)

(Luke 2:29-32)

**O Lord, now let Your servant  
Depart in peace, assured:  
For I have seen Your promised  
Incarnate, saving Word—  
A Light that will enlighten  
All gloom where Gentiles dwell;  
The brilliant, crowning glory  
Of those in Israel!**

**All glory to the Father,  
All glory to the Son,  
All glory to the Spirit,  
Forever three in one;  
For as in the beginning,  
Is now, shall ever be,  
God’s triune name resounding  
Through all eternity.**

## PRAYER

M: Blessed are You, Almighty God, for You have shown Your faithfulness to us and granted us places at Your Table once again, where we have been fed and nourished by the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having now received this Holy Sacrament, we may leave this place eager to share the goodness of Your love both in word and in deeds of human kindness, with an eye toward the poor and needy. This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

## BENEDICTION

M: 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.**

**THE CLOSING HYMN    CW 318 “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”**

## SILENT PRAYER

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

<b>Our Father’s Business in the Coming Week</b>
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*Cleaning this Week: Bauer / James*

**Today— Communion Service at 9:30 AM**

Long Range Planning Meeting at 10:45 AM

**Today – Friday—Training Camp**

**Wednesday—Men’s Bible Class at 11:30 AM**

Bible Class in the Basement at 7:00 PM

**Thursday Morning—Pastor Bauer at Training Camp (morning devotion and Bible class)**

**Thursday—VBS Craft Night at 7:00 PM**

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

Baby Bottle Collection and Ice Cream Social

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.

VBS Craft Night will be held on Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

Summer Bible class is being held on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM. The class is studying the book of Galatians.

The Pregnancy Counseling Center in Mundelein has recently received generous donations of “stuff,” but needs operating funds. Sheila Berg would like your help in raising some funds for the Center. After church the next couple of Sundays, she will be handing out baby bottles to all who want to participate. Fill the bottles with loose change and return the bottles to Sheila by Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. **NMB will match all donations dollar for dollar.** An ice cream social will then wrap up the campaign on that day in the fellowship hall.

Training Camp will be held during the week of July 23rd. If you’d like, you can mail a letter to one or all of the children attending camp. The five children attending camp from New Life are: Seann, Jack and Aubrey O’Mara and Jacob and Jadon Irabagon. You can address the mail to:

**Training Camp at YMCA Camp Duncan**

**Attn: (child’s name)**

**32405 North Highway 12**

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A Long Range Planning Meeting will take place TODAY after church. All members of the congregation are encouraged to attend.

<p><b>Our Faithfulness to God’s Word</b> <b>Last Sunday—47</b></p>
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