

Newark Lutheran Church
April 1st 2021

Welcome & Announcements

Opening~ Hymn #280

“Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness”

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness,
Leave the gloomy haunts of sadness,
Come into the daylight's splendor,
There with joy thy praises render
Unto Him whose grace unbounded
Hath this wondrous banquet founded,
High o'er all the heavens He reigneth,
Yet to dwell with thee He deigneth.

Hasten as a bride to meet Him,
And with loving rev'rence greet Him,
For with words of life immortal
Now He knocketh at thy portal;
Haste to ope the gates before Him,
Saying, while Thou dost adore Him,
“Suffer, Lord, that I receive Thee,
And I nevermore will leave Thee.”

Sun, who all my life dost brighten,
Light, who dost my soul enlighten,
Joy, the sweetest heart e'er knoweth,
Fount, whence all my being floweth,
At thy feet I cry, my Maker,
Let me be a fit partaker
Of this blessed food from heaven,
For our good, Thy glory, given.

Jesus, Bread of Life, I pray Thee,
Let me gladly here obey Thee;
Never to my hurt invited,
Be Thy love with love requited:

From this banquet let me measure,
Lord, how vast and deep its treasure;
Through the gifts Thou here dost give me
As Thy guest in heav'n receive me.

Call to Worship and Prayer

Confession of Sin:

P: Let us confess our sins

C: Heavenly Father, we come before You to seek Your mercy and grace. We have sinned against You and against ourselves with our wrong attitudes of selfishness and pride. We have not followed completely what You have told us in Your Word and have at times even rebelled against Your ways. We are sorry. We seek Your forgiveness and cleansing through Your Son Jesus Christ, to whom all praise and glory will be given. In His name, Amen.

Absolution:

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

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

C: And also with you.

Lesson: John 6:35-51

Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. All that the Father gives me will come to me; and him who comes to me I will not cast out. For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me; and this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up at the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that every one who sees the Son and believes in him should have eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.”

The Jews then murmured at him, because he said, "I am the bread which came down from heaven." They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not murmur among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Every one who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that any one has seen the Father except him who is from God; he has seen the Father. Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread which comes down from heaven, that a man may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live for ever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh."

This is the Word of the Lord ~Thanks Be To God!

Pulpit~ Hymn #259

"O Bread of Life from Heaven"

O Bread of life from heaven, To weary pilgrims given,
O Manna from above: The souls that hunger, feed Thou,
The hearts that seek Thee, lead Thou, With Thy sweet and tender love.

O Fount of grace redeeming, O River ever streaming
From Jesus' holy side: Come Thou, Thyself bestowing
On thirsting souls, and flowing Till all their wants are satisfied.

O Lord, this feast receiving, Thy Word of truth believing,
We Thee unseen adore: Grant, when our race is ended,
That we, to heav'n ascended, May see Thy glory evermore.

Message: Pastor Jon Benson "Bread of Life"

Offertory

"We Give Thee but Thine Own"

Holy Communion

Lord's Prayer & Benediction

Closing~ Hymn #407

"Jesus Paid It All"

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small!
Child of weakness, watch and pray, Find in Me thine all in all."

Refrain:

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe;

Sin had left a crimson stain He washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find Thy pow'r and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots And melt the heart of stone. **(Refrain)**

For nothing good have I Where-by Thy grace to claim
I'll wash my garments white In the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb. **(Refrain)**

And when, before the throne I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," My lips shall still repeat. **(Refrain)**

*Thank you for worshiping with us tonight.
May you be strengthened for His works this week.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Today: Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 pm

4/2 Good Friday Service 7:00 pm

4/4 Easter Service & Communion

6:30 Early Service

Breakfast After Service

9:30 Second Service

4/8 Women's Bible Study 9:00 am

4/10 Men's Breakfast 8:00 am

4/11 Meet & Greet 8:45 am

Worship 9:30 am

Adult Bible Study 10:30

4/13 Council Meeting 7:00 pm



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