

*Newark Lutheran Church  
November 19<sup>th</sup> 2023*

*Welcome & Announcements*

*Opening~ Hymn #146*

*“We Gather Together”*

We gather together to ask the Lord’s blessing,  
He chastens and hastens His will to make  
known;  
The wicked oppressing now cease from  
distressing:  
Sing praises to His Name—He forgets not His  
own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us  
joining,  
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;  
So from the beginning the fight we were  
winning:  
Thou, Lord, was at our side—all glory be  
Thine!

We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader  
triumphant,  
And pray that Thou still our defender wilt be;  
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation:  
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us  
free!

*Call to Worship and Prayer*

*Confession of Sin:*

P: Let us confess our sins

**C: Dear Heavenly Father, we bow  
before You to confess that we have  
sinned against You in our words,  
actions, and our thoughts. We come to**

**ask Your forgiveness and to seek Your  
great mercy. We come to You in the  
merits of Jesus Christ, not our own.  
Look not upon our sins, or our iniquity,  
but wash us in the blood of Jesus Christ  
so that we may be clean before You.  
This we pray in Jesus Name, Amen.**

*Absolution:*

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given  
us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,  
forgives us our sins, opens our eyes to God’s  
truth, strengthens us to do God’s will and gives  
us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus  
Christ our Lord.

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

**C: And also with you.**

*1st Lesson: Jonah 4:1-11*

But it displeased Jonah exceedingly,  
and he was angry. And he prayed to the  
LORD and said, “O LORD, is not this what I  
said when I was yet in my country? That is  
why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I  
knew that you are a gracious God and  
merciful, slow to anger and abounding in  
steadfast love, and relenting from disaster.  
Therefore now, O LORD, please take my life  
from me, for it is better for me to die than to  
live.” And the LORD said, “Do you do well to  
be angry?”

Jonah went out of the city and sat to  
the east of the city and made a booth for  
himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till  
he should see what would become of the city.  
Now the LORD God appointed a plant and  
made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a

shade over his head, to save him from his  
discomfort. So Jonah was exceedingly glad  
because of the plant. But when dawn came up  
the next day, God appointed a worm that  
attacked the plant, so that it withered. When  
the sun rose, God appointed a scorching east  
wind, and the sun beat down on the head of  
Jonah so that he was faint. And he asked that  
he might die and said, “It is better for me to  
die than to live.” But God said to Jonah, “Do  
you do well to be angry for the plant?” And he  
said, “Yes, I do well to be angry, angry  
enough to die.” And the LORD said, “You pity  
the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did  
you make it grow, which came into being in a  
night and perished in a night. And should not  
I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there  
are more than 120,000 persons who do not  
know their right hand from their left, and also  
much cattle?”

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

*Epistles Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:50-58*

I tell you this, brothers: flesh and  
blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor  
does the perishable inherit the imperishable.  
Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all  
sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a  
moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last  
trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the  
dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall  
be changed. For this perishable body must put  
on the imperishable, and this mortal body  
must put on immortality. When the perishable  
puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts  
on immortality, then shall come to pass the  
saying that is written:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

“O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

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

### ***Gospel Lesson: John 6:37-40***

All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never 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 on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.”

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### ***Apostles Creed:***

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into Hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From where He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### ***Pulpit~ Hymn #416***

*“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”*

There’s a wideness in God’s mercy,  
Like the wideness of the sea;  
There’s a kindness in His justice,  
Which is more than liberty.  
There is welcome for the sinner,  
And more graces for the good;  
There is mercy with the Savior;  
There is healing in His blood.

There is no place where earth’s sorrows  
Are more felt than up in heav’n;  
There is no place where earth’s failings  
Have such kindly judgment giv’n.  
There is plentiful redemption  
In the blood that has been shed;  
There is joy for all the members  
In the sorrows of the Head.

For the love of God is broader  
Than the measure of man’s mind;  
And the heart of the Eternal  
Is most wonderfully kind.  
If our love were but more simple,  
We should take Him at His word;  
And our lives would be all sunshine  
In the sweetness of our Lord.

### ***Kid’s Bible Time***

***Message: Pastor Jon Benson***  
**“Lessons from the Life of Jonah: A  
Conversation with God”**

*Jonah 4:1-11*

### ***Offertory***

*“His Mercy is More”*

What love could remember no wrongs we  
have done;  
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their  
sum.  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore;  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.  
Praise the Lord! His mercy is more.  
Stronger than darkness, new ev’ry morn;  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly  
roam;  
What Father, so tender, is calling us home.  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor,  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.  
Praise the Lord! His mercy is more.  
Stronger than darkness, new ev’ry morn;  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

What riches of kindness He lavished on us;  
His blood was the payment, His life was the  
cost.  
We stood ‘neath a debt we could never afford;  
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.  
Praise the Lord! His mercy is more.  
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### ***Offertory Response***

*“We Give Thee but Thine Own”*

We give Thee but Thine own,  
Whate’er the gift may be;  
All that we have is Thine alone,  
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

## ***Lord's Prayer***

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

## ***Benediction***

### ***Closing~ Hymn #150***

*“Let All Things Now Living”*

Let all things now living  
A song of thanksgiving  
To God the creator triumphantly raise,  
Who fashioned and made us,  
Protected and stayed us,  
Who still guides us on to the end of our days.  
God's banners are o'er us,  
His light goes before us,  
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,  
Till shadows have vanished  
And darkness is banished,  
As forward we travel from light into light.

His law He enforces,  
The stars in their courses  
And sun in its orbit obediently shine;  
The hills and the mountains,  
The rivers and fountains,  
The deeps of the ocean proclaim Him divine.  
We too should be voicing  
Our love and rejoicing;  
with glad adoration a song let us raise  
Till all things now living  
Unite in thanksgiving:

“To God in the highest, hosanna and praise.”

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