

*Newark Lutheran Church
March 19th 2023*

Welcome & Announcements

*Opening~ Hymn #73
“Glory Be to Jesus”*

Glory be to Jesus,
Who, in bitter pains,
Poured for me the lifeblood
From His sacred veins!

Grace and life eternal
In that Blood I find;
Blest be His compassion,
Infinitely kind.

Blest through endless ages
Be the precious stream
Which from endless torments
Doth the world redeem.

Abel’s blood for vengeance
Pleaded to the skies;
But the Blood of Jesus
For our pardon cries.

Lift we then our voices,
Swell the mighty flood;
Louder still and louder
Praise the precious Blood!

Call to Worship and Prayer

Confession of Sin:

P: Let us confess our sins

**C: Dear Heavenly Father, we come
before You to confess to You that we
have grievously sinned and fallen short**

**of Your glory. We have not loved You
above all things or our neighbors as
ourselves. We confess these and other
sins to You in order to receive Your
forgiveness and cleansing. Grant to us
Your mercy and grace and help us to
live our lives in the way that honors You
most. We pray this in the name of Jesus,
Amen.**

Absolution:

Almighty God, the Father of all mercies
cleanses us from our sins, and restores us
in his image to the praise and glory of his
name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

C: And also with you.

1st Lesson: Isaiah 42:1-8

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my Spirit upon him,
he will bring forth justice to the nations.

He will not cry or lift up his voice,
or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break,
and a dimly burning wick he will not
quench;

he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not fail or be discouraged
till he has established justice in the earth;
and the coastlands wait for his law.

Thus says God, the Lord,
who created the heavens and stretched them
out,
who spread forth the earth and what comes
from it,

who gives breath to the people upon it
and spirit to those who walk in it:
“I am the Lord, I have called you in
righteousness,

I have taken you by the hand and kept you;
I have given you as a covenant to the people,
a light to the nations,
to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the Lord, that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to graven images.

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

Epistles Lesson: Psalms 84:1-4

To the choirmaster: according to The Gittith.
A Psalm of the Sons of Korah.

How lovely is thy dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!

My soul longs, yea, faints
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy
to the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at thy altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.

Blessed are those who dwell in thy house,
ever singing thy praise! Selah

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Gospel Lesson: John 6:24-36

So when the people saw that Jesus was not
there, nor his disciples, they themselves got
into the boats and went to Caper’na-um,
seeking Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, “Rabbi, when did you come here?” Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of man will give to you; for on him has God the Father set his seal.” Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” So they said to him, “Then what sign do you do, that we may see, and believe you? What work do you perform? Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven, and gives life to the world.” They said to him, “Lord, give us this bread always.”

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.

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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 #257

“Break Thou the Bread of Life”

Break Thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me,
As Thou didst break the loaves Beside the sea;
Beyond the sacred page I seek Thee, Lord;
My spirit pants for Thee, O living Word!

Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord, To me, to me,
As Thou didst bless the bread By Galilee;
Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall;
And I shall find my peace, My All in all!

Thou art the bread of life, O Lord, to me,
Thy holy word the truth That saveth me;
Give me to eat and live With Thee above;
Teach me to love Thy truth, For Thou art love.

O send Thy Spirit, Lord, Now unto me,
That He may touch my eyes, And make me see:
Show me the truth concealed Within Thy word,
And in Thy book reveal’d I see the Lord.

Teach me to live, dear Lord, Only for Thee,
As Thy disciples lived In Galilee;
Then, all my struggles o’er, Then vict’ry won,
I shall behold Thee, Lord, The Living One.

Kid’s Bible Time

Message: Pastor Jon Benson

“Jesus, The Bread of Life”

John 6:24-36

Offertory

“You Are My King (Amazing Love)”

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken
I'm accepted, You were condemned
And I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me
Because You died and rose again

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Amazing love, how can it be
That You, my King, should die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true
And it's my joy to honor You
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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 & Benediction

Closing~ Hymn #78

“The Old Rugged Cross”

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame;
And I love that old cross where the dearest and
best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

Refrain:

**So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down;
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it some day for a crown.**

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the
world,
Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary. **(Refrain)**

In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so
divine,
A wondrous beauty I see;

For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and
died
To pardon and sanctify me. **(Refrain)**

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,
Its shame and reproach gladly bear;
Then He'll call me some day to my home far
away,
Where His glory forever I'll share. **(Refrain)**

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