

*Newark Lutheran Church
September 19th 2021*

Welcome & Announcements

Opening~ Praise Chorus #43

“Forever Jesus”

My hymn of praise shall be “forever Jesus,”
My firm foundation in shifting sands;
My strength and hope through many fears and failures,
The disappointments of the past
His constant love has held me fast.

Refrain

**So, for all my days I will sing my praise to the King, “forever Jesus.”
Though the storms may rage, He is strong to save, He’s the King, “forever Jesus!”**

My song of joy shall be “forever Jesus,”
Who bore the suffering, who made a way.
His life a gift, His death a ransom
That wipes the sinners guilt away,
And turns our night to glorious day! **(Refrain)**

My final breath shall be “forever Jesus”
When shadows lengthen before my eyes;
My Lord and Friend, companion through the valley
When dearest ones are left behind,
His hand will lead me to the light. **(Refrain)**

When I meet His grace I will sing my praise to the King, “forever Jesus.”
All my sorrows past, I am home at last, with my King, “forever Jesus!”
With my King, “forever Jesus!” With my King, “forever Jesus!”

Call to Worship and Prayer

Confession of Sin:

P: Let us confess our sins

C: Heavenly Father, we come before You this morning to ask for Your forgiveness. We have sinned against You and against ourselves and need Your cleansing. We have tried to do what is right but have not been able to keep our way pure, and that leaves us guilty in Your sight. We seek Your mercy so that we might receive Your cleansing grace. In the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Absolution:

Almighty God forgives us our sins and assures us of his eternal love, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

C: And also with you.

1st Lesson: 1 Kings 17:8-24

Then the word of the LORD came to him, “Arise, go to Zar’ephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” So he arose and went to Zar’ephath; and when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks; and he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” And she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a cruse; and now, I am gathering a couple of sticks, that I may go in and prepare

it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” And Eli’jah said to her, “Fear not; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make for yourself and your son. For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, ‘The jar of meal shall not be spent, and the cruse of oil shall not fail, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.’” And she went and did as Eli’jah said; and she, and he, and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not spent, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the LORD which he spoke by Eli’jah.

After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill; and his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. And she said to Eli’jah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance, and to cause the death of my son!” And he said to her, “Give me your son.” And he took him from her bosom, and carried him up into the upper chamber, where he lodged, and laid him upon his own bed. And he cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, hast thou brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son?” Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, let this child’s soul come into him again.” And the LORD hearkened to the voice of Eli’jah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived. And Eli’jah took the child, and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and delivered him to his mother; and Eli’jah said, “See, your son lives.” And the woman said to Eli’jah, “Now I know that you are a man of God, and

that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth.”

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

Epistles Lesson: Philippians 1:19-26

Yes, and I shall rejoice. For I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, as it is my eager expectation and hope that I shall not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. If it is to be life in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account.

Convinced of this, I know that I shall remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

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Gospel Lesson: John 11:45-57

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him; but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the council, and said, “What are we to do? For this man performs many signs. If we let him go on thus, every one will believe in him, and the Romans will come and destroy both our holy place and our nation.” But one of them, Ca’iaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, “You know nothing at all; you do not understand that it is expedient for you that one

man should die for the people, and that the whole nation should not perish.” He did not say this of his own accord, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus should die for the nation, and not for the nation only, but to gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad. So from that day on they took counsel how to put him to death.

Jesus therefore no longer went about openly among the Jews, but went from there to the country near the wilderness, to a town called E’phraim; and there he stayed with the disciples.

Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and many went up from the country to Jerusalem before the Passover, to purify themselves. They were looking for Jesus and saying to one another as they stood in the temple, “What do you think? That he will not come to the feast?” Now the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that if any one knew where he was, he should let them know, so that they might arrest him.

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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 #260

“Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word”

Lord, keep us steadfast in Thy Word:
Curb those who fain by craft or sword
Would wrest the kingdom from Thy Son,
And set at naught all He hath done.

Lord Jesus Christ, Thy pow’r make known;
For Thou art Lord of lords alone:
Defend Thy Christendom, that we
May evermore sing praise to Thee.

O Comforter, of priceless worth,
Send peace and unity on earth;
Support us in our final strife,
And lead us out of death to life.

Kid’s Bible Time

Message: Pastor Jon Benson
“The Ultimate Sacrifice”

John 15:13

Offertory

“We Give Thee but Thine Own”

Lord’s Prayer & Benediction

Closing~ Hymn #528

“There Is a Name I Love to Hear”

There is a name I love to hear,
I love to sing its worth;

It sounds like music in mine ear,
The sweetest name on earth.

Refrain:

O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
Because He first loved me!

It tells me of a Savior's love,
Who died to set me free;
It tells me of His precious blood,
The sinner's perfect plea. (Refrain)

It tells me what my Father hath
In Store for ev'ry day,
And, tho I tread a darksome path,
Yields sunshine all the way. (Refrain)

It tells of One whose loving heart
Can feel my deepest woe,
Who in each sorrow bears a part
That none can bear below. (Refrain)

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