

**Newark Lutheran Church**  
**September 20<sup>th</sup> 2020**  
**Welcome & Announcements**  
**Opening**

*“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. We know that we are to put to death the deeds of the flesh, yet the old nature dies hard. We need Your tender touch and Your cleansing grace to help us to stand in Your presence again. Thank you for Your forgiveness and mercy in the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

***Absolution:***

May the God of love bring us back to himself, forgive us our sins, and assure 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: Deuteronomy 6:4-9***

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. And these words which I command you this day shall be upon your heart; and you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. And you shall bind them as a sign upon your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. And you shall

write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

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

***Epistle Lesson: Romans 8:18-39***

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in travail together until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with sighs too deep for words. And he who searches the hearts of men knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the first-born among many brethren. And those whom he predestined he

also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then shall we say to this? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies; who is to condemn? Is it Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us? Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

“For thy sake we are being killed all the day long;

we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.”

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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### ***Gospel Lesson: Luke 10:38-42***

Now as they went on their way, he entered a village; and a woman named Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to him and said, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me.” But the Lord answered her,

“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her.”  
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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 #537***

*“Jesus Is All the World to Me”*

Jesus is all the world to me,  
My life, my joy, my all;  
He is my strength from day to day,  
Without Him I would fall.  
When I am sad to Him I go,  
No other one can cheer me so;  
When I am sad, He makes me glad  
He's my Friend.

Jesus is all the world to me,  
My Friend in trials sore;  
I go to Him for blessings, and  
He gives them o'er and o'er.  
He sends the sunshine and the rain,  
He sends the harvest's golden grain;

Sunshine and rain, harvest of grain  
He's my Friend.

Jesus is all the world to me,  
And true to Him I'll be;  
O how could I this Friend deny,  
When He's so true to me?  
Following Him I know I'm right,  
He watches o'er me day and night;  
Following Him by day and night,  
He's my Friend.  
Jesus is all the world to me,  
I want no better friend;  
I trust Him now, I'll trust Him when  
Life's fleeting days shall end.  
Beautiful life with such a Friend,  
Beautiful life that has no end;  
Eternal life, eternal joy,  
He's my Friend.

### ***Message: Pastor Jon Benson***

*“Sitting at Jesus Feet” Luke 10:38-42*

### ***Lord's Prayer & Benediction***

#### ***Closing***

*“Thou, by Heavenly Hosts Adored”*

Thou, by heavenly hosts adored,  
Gracious, mighty, sovereign Lord,  
God of nations, King of kings,  
Head of all created things,  
By the Church with joy confest,  
God o'er all for ever blest,  
Pleading at thy throne we stand:  
Save thy people, bless our land.

From all public sin and shame,  
From ambition's grasping aim,  
From rebellion, war and death,  
From the pestilential breath,

From dread famine's awful store,  
From oppression's galling yoke,  
From the judgements of thy hand:  
Spare thy people, spare our land.

Let our rulers ever be  
Men that love and honor thee:  
Let the powers by thee ordained  
Be in righteousness Maintained;  
In the people's hearts increase  
Love of piety and peace;  
Thus united, we shall stand  
One wide, free, and happy land.

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