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THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 6, 2025

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for joining us for worship today. We welcome you into our fellowship as together we gather in the presence of God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

If you are a visitor, please take a moment to scan the QR code below and fill out the form.

We want to acknowledge your presence today with a note of thanks. Please let us know if there is a way we may be of help or encouragement to you today.

If you have any prayer requests or concerns, questions about your faith or the Christian life, if you have updates to your contact information, or if there is anything you need to communicate, please note those remarks on the form.



On the front: IHS monogram. IHS are the first three letters of the name Jesus in Greek: IHYSYS. Thus, IHS is a monogram for Jesus Christ.

WORSHIP MEDITATIONS

It is the policy of Satan not to set his snares in open view; had they urged them to fall away from Christ, they would have been shunned as deceivers and corrupters, but suffering them so far to continue in the faith, and putting upon their error the name of the Gospel, without fear they undermined the building employing the terms which they used as a sort of curtain to conceal the destroyers themselves.

-St. John Chrysostom, 4th c.

This will not justify our thundering out anathemas against those who differ from us in minor things. It is only against those who forge a new gospel, who overturn the foundation of the covenant of grace, by setting up the works of the law in the place of Christ's righteousness, and corrupting Christianity with Judaism, that Paul denounces this.

-Matthew Henry, 18th c.

Considering the vehemence of Paul in this epistle, this is a very mild and tender rebuke. For his purpose is to raise up them that are fallen, and with fatherly care to call them back again from their errors to the purity of the gospel.

-Martin Luther, 16th c., on Gal. 1:6

Here Paul casts very flames of fire and his zeal is so fervent that he begins almost to curse the angels and himself.

-Martin Luther on Gal. 1:8

By this imprecation I was so stricken with terror, that I desisted from the journey which I had undertaken.

-John Calvin, describing his "come to Jesus" conversation with Farel

ADVENT + CHRISTMAS + EPIPHANY + LENT + EASTER + PENTECOST

Pentecost Season, sometimes called Trinity Season, the Time of the Church, or Ordinary Time, is the long season that follows Pentecost until the end of the church year and the beginning of Advent. During this season we celebrate the Holy Spirit, the mission of the Church, and the growth that the church experiences guided by the Spirit. The symbols of the season are any Trinity symbol, images of the Apostles or Saints, symbols of the church, or symbols of Christ. The liturgical color for the season is green, symbolizing the new growth of the Church that the Spirit brings.

THE WORSHIP OF ALMIGHTY GOD

GREETING

In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Our help is in the name of the Lord

The maker of heaven and earth.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, You have built Your Church on the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone. Continue to send Your messengers to preserve Your people in true peace that, by the preaching of Your Word, Your Church may be kept free from all harm and danger; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

CONFESSING OUR SINS

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.¹⁶ Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

- Hebrews 4:15-16

Most merciful Father, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy Name.

Continue your confession of sins in silent prayer

RECEIVING ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Glory to God in the highest!

And peace to his people on earth!

CALL TO CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

Day to day pours out speech,
and night to night reveals knowledge.

Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

In them he has set a tent for the sun,
which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,
and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.

Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them,
and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

- *Psalm 19:1-2, 4-6*

BLESSED ASSURANCE

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

**This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.**

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
[Refrain]

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.
[Refrain]

Words and Music: Fanny Jane Crosby, Phoebe Palmer Knapp

ANTIPHON

For freedom Christ has set us free;
stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

- *Galatians 5:1*

SATISFIED

1. All my life long I had pant-ed for a drink from some cool
spring that I hoped would quench the burn-ing
of the thirst I felt with-in. Hal-le-lu-jah! He has found me,
the One my soul so long has craved! Je-sus sat - is - fies
all my long-ings; through His blood I now am saved!

2. Feeding on the filth around me,
till my strength was almost gone
Longed my soul for something better,
only still to hunger on

3. Poor I was and sought for riches,
something that would satisfy
But the dust I gathered round me
only mocked my soul's sad cry

Chorus
Hallelujah! He has found me,
the One my soul so long has craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings,
through his blood I now am saved

4. Well of water ever springing, Bread of
Life so rich and free
Untold wealth that never faileth, my
Redeemer is to me

Words: Clara T. Williams, 1875
Music: Karl Digerness, 1997

PRAYER OF ADORATION

We praise You, O Lord!
Everyone who serves in your house praises You.
We lift up our hands in the holy places
And we praise You!
Lord, You have blessed Your people so much!
You are the Maker of Heaven and Earth.
Amen.

PRAISES AND PETITIONS

Please see page 22 for additional prayers this week.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

All children may come forward for a brief lesson and prayer by Pastor Tim.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

While the children are being dismissed, we will have a brief time of welcome and greeting. You are welcome to "pass the peace of Christ" to one another.

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Please see announcements on page 23.*



THE LORD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING: GALATIANS 1:1-10

Paul, an apostle—not from men nor through man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead— ²and all the brothers who are with me,

To the churches of Galatia:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, ⁵to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

⁶I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting him who called you in the grace of

Christ and are turning to a different gospel—
⁷not that there is another one, but there are some who trouble you and want to distort the gospel of Christ. ⁸But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed. ⁹As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed.

¹⁰For am I now seeking to persuade men or God? Or am I trying to please man? If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Antiphon:

**Bless our God, O peoples;
let the sound of his praise be heard,
who has kept our soul among the living
and has not let our feet slip.**

¹ Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

² sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise!

³ Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you.

⁴ All the earth worships you
and sings praises to you;
they sing praises to your name."

**Bless our God, O peoples;
let the sound of his praise be heard,
who has kept our soul among the living
and has not let our feet slip.**

⁵ Come and see what God has done:
he is awesome in his deeds toward the children of man.

⁶ He turned the sea into dry land;
they passed through the river on foot.

There did we rejoice in him,

⁷ who rules by his might forever,
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—
let not the rebellious exalt themselves.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be world without end. Amen.

**Bless our God, O peoples;
let the sound of his praise be heard,
who has kept our soul among the living
and has not let our feet slip.**

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 10:1–20

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go.² And he said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.”³ Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves.⁴ Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road.⁵ Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’⁶ And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you.⁷ And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house.⁸ Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you.⁹ Heal the sick in it and say to them, “The kingdom of God has come near to you.”¹⁰ But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say,¹¹ “Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.”¹² I tell you, it will be more

bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

¹³ “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes.”¹⁴ But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you.¹⁵ And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

¹⁶ “The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me.”

¹⁷ The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!”¹⁸ And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven.”¹⁹ Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you.²⁰ Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Glory to you, O Lord!

HEARING THE WORD PREACHED

Sermon Title: “Paul’s ‘Come to Jesus’”
Sermon Text: Galatians 1:1-10
Sermon Series: *Exposition of Galatians, II*
Preacher: Rev. Dr. Timothy R. LeCroy

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE 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 sits on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE OFFERING

New Life is supported by the generous gifts of our church members and friends. If you are visiting, you are not expected to give, but if the Lord has blessed you today and you would like to support our ministry, it would be most appreciated. If you don't have cash or check, you can also give on-line at www.newlifeithaca.org/giving/

Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

-2 Cor. 9:6-7

OFFERTORY

THE PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

EUCCHARIST

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is proper and right to do so.

Truly it is proper, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, who by water and the Holy Spirit hast made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth thy glory in all the world. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the Church on earth, we praise and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts!

Heaven and earth are full of your glory!

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER

THE ACCLAMATION

For as often as we eat this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of Faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

THE 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 debts,

As we forgive

our debtors.

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.

THE INVITATION

New Life Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who trust in Jesus Christ to receive Holy Communion with us.

-If this does not describe you, you are invited to come forward, crossing your arms in front of your chest when you reach the front, to receive a blessing from the pastor.

DISTRIBUTION

The congregation will come forward row-by-row, forming two lines in the center aisle. Cup your hands together to receive the bread, then proceed outwardly to the wine tray. There is juice in the very center and wine on the outside. Then use the outside aisle to return to your seat and wait until we eat and drink together.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

We partake together of the most holy body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

After the communion the pastor prays a prayer of blessing.

Prayers for Those Not Communing

New Life Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who trust in Jesus to receive Holy Communion with us. If you are not able to receive Communion, please use the time to meditate on one of the following prayers:

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus Christ, I recognize that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

For Those Struggling with Sin

If you are a baptized believer in Christ who is struggling with sin, you should still come forward for communion. As it says in our Larger Catechism 172:

One who doubteth of his being in Christ, or of his due preparation to the sacrament of the Lord's supper, may have true interest in Christ, though he be not yet assured thereof; and in God's account hath it, if he be duly affected with the apprehension of the want of it, and unfeignedly desires to be found in Christ, and to depart from iniquity: in which case (because promises are made, and this sacrament is appointed, *for the relief even of weak and doubting Christians*) he is to bewail his unbelief, and labour to have his doubts resolved; and, so doing, he may and *ought to come to the Lord's supper, that he may be further strengthened.*

ARISE, MY SOUL, ARISE

1. Arise, my soul, arise,
shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice,
in my behalf appears;
Before the throne my Surety stands,
Before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

Chorus:

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise
Arise, my soul, arise.
Shake off your guilty fears and rise

2. He ever lives above,
for me to intercede;
His all redeeming love,
His precious blood, to plead;
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

3. Five bleeding wounds He bears;
received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers;
they strongly plead for me:
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,
"Nor let that ransomed sinner die!"

Chorus

4. My God is reconciled;
His pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child;
I can no longer fear
With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba, Father," cry. *Chorus*

Words: Charles Wesley, 1742

Music: Kevin Twit, 1996

BENEDICTION

The Pastor pronounces a blessing upon the congregation from Scripture.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Words: Thomas Ken

Music: Louis Bourgeois, 16th c.

DECLARATION OF PEACE

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And also with you.

Go in peace.

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THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE CHURCH AROUND THE WORLD

- **Pray** for the church in the **West Papua region of Indonesia**, where over **90% of indigenous people are Christian believers**. **Pray** for ongoing **Bible translation efforts** for the **minority language groups** who are still waiting for **Scripture in their language**.

PCA CHURCHES AND PASTORS IN THE NEW YORK STATE PRESBYTERY

- **New City Fellowship, Beechwood** (Rochester); **Chris Holdridge**, pastor

SISTER CHURCHES IN ITHACA

- **Bread of Life Anglican Church, David Smith**, Rector – especially pray that David would recover fully as he is being treated for lyme disease

NEW LIFE ALUMS IN VOCATIONAL MINISTRY

- **Karl Johnson, Consortium of Christian Study Centers**, executive director

GOVERNMENT AND POLITICAL LEADERSHIP

- **President Donald Trump** and **Vice-President J.D. Vance**; the **members of Congress** and the **Judiciary**; that they may govern with wisdom according to your word that we may all live quiet and peaceable lives.

NEW LIFE CHURCH

- **David Williamson: Praise** for his time at the **Veritas Forum**, and **pray** that God would **raise up mentors** for the **junior faculty** members
- **Hannah Eagelson: Pray** as she **assists graduate students** as they work to **replace the federal funding** that has been withdrawn from them.
- **Alice: Pray** for her younger **sister Andi**, who has been diagnosed with a **heart condition**. Pray that **both sisters** will have **peace of mind** that overcomes **their fear**.
- **The Thomfordes: Pray** for **Ella** as she is **beginning her college experience** at **Stanford**, and for **Jim and Liz** as they miss her presence.
- **Angela Brodie: Pray** for **coworkers and friends** who are being affected by [REDACTED] **Praise** that her **team of translators** made their final check of **Psalm 150**, thereby **completing their work on the Psalms**. **Pray** for the team as they **begin making recordings** of the Psalms.
- **Steve & Sheryl Froehlich: Pray** for **Sheryl's mom** as she **transitions** to a **memory care facility**, and for **Sheryl** as her body is battling **lyme disease**.
- **Pray** for all **New Life alums** working for the federal government, that they would retain their jobs and funding during this time. **Pray** also for those working at Cornell who may be affected by the related hiring freezes and budget cuts.

If you do not wish to have praises and requests shared during the worship service printed in the bulletin for the next three weeks, please inform Angela Brodie in an email (angelabrodie@gmail.com).

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New Sermon Series on Galatians

Today we pick back up with our sermon series on Paul's letter to the Galatians that will continue through the Fall. Come ready to hear weekly about God's irresistible and unconditional grace!

Summer Cookouts – Next Week!

We will have two cookouts after church in July and August. The first one is on July 13. The church will supply the fire, buns, condiments, and utensils. Please bring meat for yourself and a side or dessert to share.

Morning Prayer & Pastor Tim's "Office Hours"

Join us on Tuesdays at 7:45AM for a short time of prayer. We will be using the traditional form for the Daily Office, which has confession of sin, psalms, scripture readings, and intercessory prayer; and our time together should last about 20 minutes. Immediately following Morning Prayer on Tuesdays, Pastor Tim will be available at the church for consultation or conversation. Please feel free to stop by.

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Please let us know you worshiped with us today!

We would like to acknowledge your presence with us today. You will not be added to any mailing lists without your permission and we will not share your information with anyone. Please fill this out and place it in the offering when it comes by.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Address: _____ Mobile Number: _____

Prayer Requests: _____

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- ☐ I am an out-of-town visitor.
- ☐ I reside locally and I am visiting New Life Church today.
- ☐ I would like more information about New Life. Please have someone contact me.
- ☐ Please send me more information about: _____
- ☐ I would like to meet the pastor for coffee.

Other comments: _____