Worship Guide for March 26, 2023 The Fifth Sunday in Lent



Welcome and Announcements

Let us prepare our hearts for worship.

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God, have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I, therefore, declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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- 1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul! What
- 2 When I was sink ing down, sink ing down, sink ing down, when
- 3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing; to
- 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and



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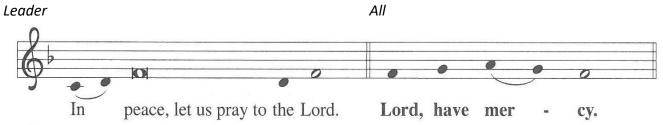
that caused the bliss bear the dread-ful curse for my Lord of to be - neath God's righ-teous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my the great I mil-lions join the theme, I will is Aм, while who through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing I'11 sing God's love for me, and



Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *And also with you*.



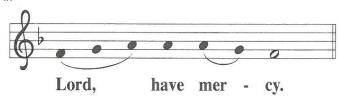


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For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.





Leader



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,

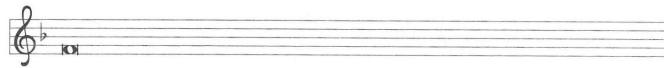


and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

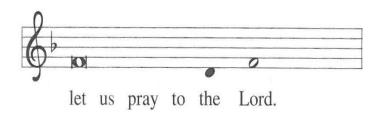


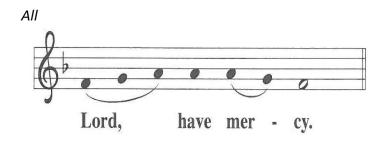
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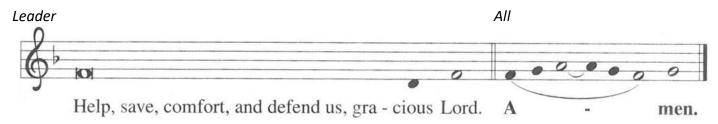
Leader



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,







Prayer of the Day

Together we pray: Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ and serve you in righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Reading of the Word

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

¹The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. ²He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. ³He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord God, you know." ⁴Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. ⁵Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. ⁶I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

⁷So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. ⁸I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. ⁹Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." ¹⁰I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

¹¹Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' ¹²Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. ¹³And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. ¹⁴I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act, says the LORD."

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm: Psalm 130

Second Reading: Romans 8:6-11

⁶To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. ⁷For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, ⁸and those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

⁹But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. ¹⁰But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

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Children's Message

¹Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD;

²O LORD, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

³If you were to keep watch over sins, O LORD, who could stand?

⁴Yet with you is forgiveness, in order that you may be feared.

⁵I wait for you, O LORD; my soul waits; in your word is my hope.

⁶My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning.

⁷O Israel, wait for the LORD, for with the LORD there is steadfast love; with the LORD there is plenteous redemption.

⁸For the LORD shall redeem Israel from all their sins.



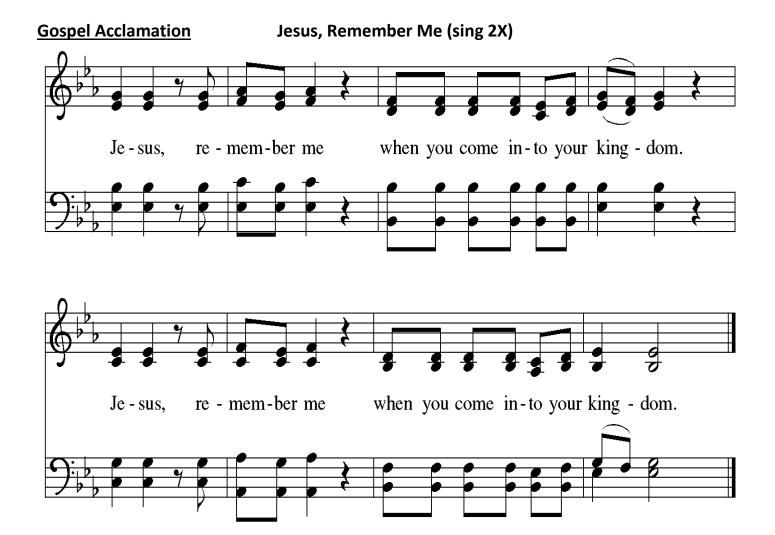


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Gospel: John 11:1-45

¹Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. ²Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. ³So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, "Lord, he whom

you love is ill." ⁴But when Jesus heard it, he said, "This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God's glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it." ⁵Accordingly,

though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, ⁶after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

⁷Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go to Judea again." ⁸The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?" ⁹Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. ¹⁰But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them." ¹¹After saying this, he told them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him." ¹²The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right." ¹³Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. ¹⁴Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead. ¹⁵For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." ¹⁶Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."

¹⁷When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. ¹⁸Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, ¹⁹and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. ²⁰When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. ²¹Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²²But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him." ²³Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, ²⁶and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" ²⁷She said to him, "Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world."

²⁸When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." ²⁹And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. ³⁰Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. ³¹The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. ³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. ⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

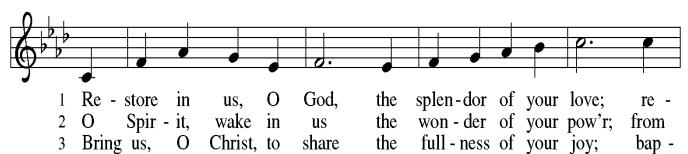
⁴⁵Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, O Christ.*

Sermon

Hymn of the Day

Restore In Us, O God







our hearts, and new your im - age in all our sins re - move. our lives like spring-time bud and flow'r. fruit-less fear un - furl ris - en life that death can - not de - stroy. tize us in the search-ing ends, may see you face we, when all our face.

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will 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.

Prayers of the People

Lord in your Mercy, Hear our prayer.

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Offering Prayer

Together we pray: God, our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

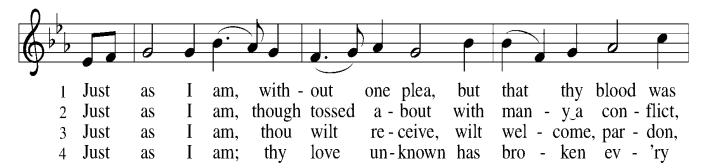
Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Sharing of the Meal

Communion Hymn #1

Just As I Am

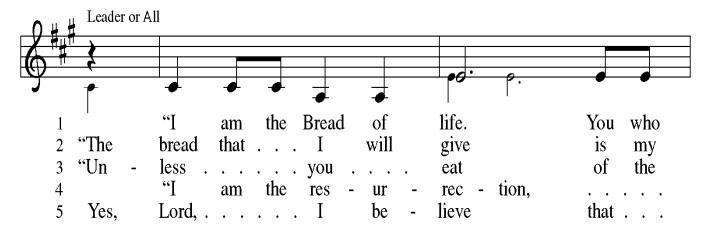


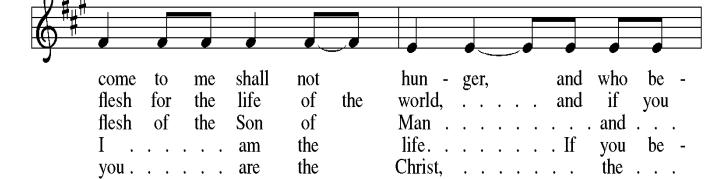


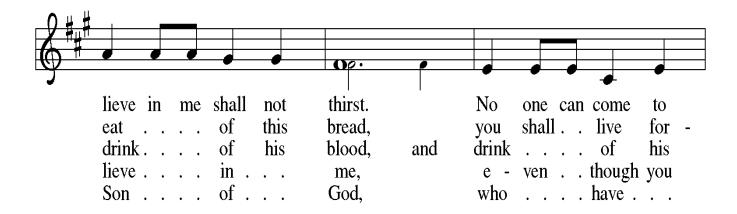


Communion Hymn #2

I Am the Bread of Life (continues next page)

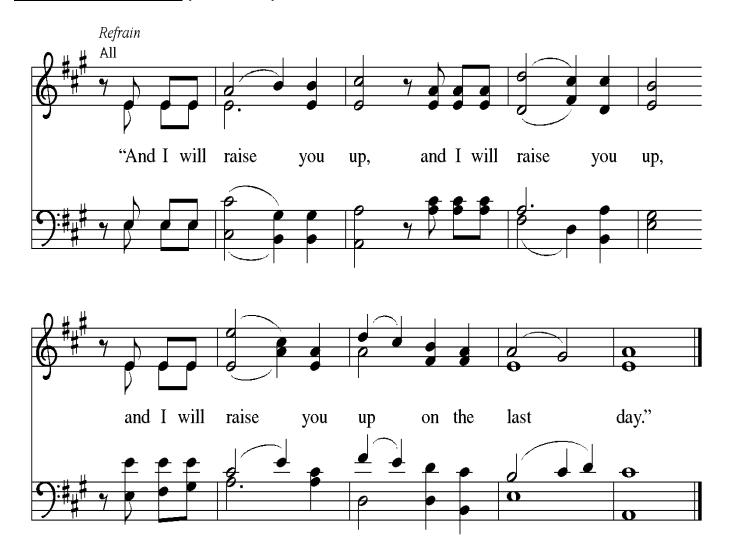








I Am the Bread of Life (continued)



Communion Blessing

Communion Prayer

Together we pray: Compassionate God, you have fed us with the bread of heaven. Sustain us in our Lenten pilgrimage: may our fasting be a hunger for justice; our alms, a making of peace; and our prayer, the song of grateful hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Savior, and Lord. Amen.

Benediction

Sending Hymn

You Are the Way (next page)



You Are the Way



- 1 You are the way; to you a lone from sin and death we flee;
- 2 You are the truth; your word a lone true wis dom can im part;
- 3 You are the life; the rend-ing tomb pro-claims your con-qu'ring arm;
- 4 You are the way, the truth, the life; grant us that way to know,



all those who search for God, you find and by your grace set free. you on - ly can in - form the mind and pu - ri - fy the heart. and those who put their trust in you not death nor hell shall harm. that truth to keep, that life to win, whose joys e - ter - nal flow.

Ministry Volunteers Needed

Are you able to help out? Volunteers are urgently needed to help with various Sunday ministries here at New Salem! We are in need of ushers, readers/Communion assistants, helpers to set up Communion before the worship service/ tidy up afterward, offering counters, and hosts for our coffee fellowship after worship. Sign up as a family or team up with a friend or two! Signup sheets are available on the back table in the Fellowship Hall. Remember:

If no one signs up to host coffee fellowship, there is NO COFFEE. ®



Today's Worship Leaders/Assistants

Presiding Clergy: Pastor Terry R. Hagensen Setting the Lord's Table: Sally Ellingson

Ushers: Benji and Bo Hofstad Pianist: Cheryl Durant Reader: Mert Schultz Cantor: Annalise Aakhus

Communion Assistant: Krista Bogart AV Services: Rick Bogart, Traci Schanke

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New Salem Council

Officers: Rick Bogart, President; Jon Severson, Vice President; Eric Medberry, Secretary; Sue Rosselet, Treasurer

Members: Calli Ferdig, Dave Johnson, Myra Lindahl, Fred Sanford, Bob Wagner

The New Salem Council meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

The April meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18. All are welcome to attend

Council meetings as observers; if you have a particular topic or concern to bring before the Council, please contact Pastor Terry or Traci Schanke in the church office and they will add you to the meeting agenda as a speaker.

February 2023 Income vs Expenses (FINAL)

Total Income for February	\$14,602	Total Expenses for February	\$14,686
(Deficit) for February	(-\$84)	3.19.23 General Fund Offering	\$5,190

Attendance/Social Media Engagement (as of 3/20/23)

March 19 Attendance: 57 March 19 Livestream Views: 26

YouTube Views (2023 to date): 744 YouTube Subscribers: 85

Facebook reach (2023 to date): 25,510

This Week at New Salem (March 26 - April 1)

Sunday 3/26	Bemidji Choir Home Concert	7:30 pm
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Beaux Arts Ballroom at BSU

Wednesday, 3/29 Choir Practice 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

NO Confirmation or Adult Discussion Group

Thursday, 3/30 Bible Study 9:30 a.m.

Announcements for the Week of March 26, 2023

<u>Mask Update</u>: As we monitor local conditions and review updates from the CDC, Synod and Sanford, we continue to fully support our members and guests who wish to wear protective masks when attending worship services and events at New Salem. Thank you for caring for each other!

<u>BSU Choir Concert Tonight at 7:30 p.m.</u> Following last week's regional tour, BSU's Bemidji Choir will present a concert this evening in the Beaux Arts Ballroom on the BSU campus. Admission is free.

<u>Bible Study, Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.</u> New Salem's Bible Study meets Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

<u>Wednesday Nights During Lent:</u> We have some updates to New Salem's Wednesday evening schedule during Lent:

- **Choir practice is at 5:30 p.m.** Everyone is welcome to join us in making a joyful noise! The choir usually sings for worship the first and third Sundays of the month, and for Easter and other celebrations.
- Midweek Lenten Services are at 7 p.m.
- Confirmation classes are suspended for Lent. Pastor Terry asks that Confirmation students attend the midweek Lenten services and take sermon notes.
- The WAMM Adult Discussion Group meetings are on hiatus for Lent. Participants are encouraged to continue their reading and study. Please contact Please contact Linda Hendrikson at 218-791-7190 or linda.hendrikson@gmail.com with questions or for information on study materials.
- WAMM Activities for Pre-K through Grade 5 and the Wednesday night meal are on hiatus and will resume on Wednesday, April 12.

Rummage and Bake Sale, Saturday, April 15: New Salem's annual Rummage Sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 15. Donated items can be left in the far back Sunday School room(s) starting Tuesday, April 11; prior to April 11, boxes of donated items can be left in the garage. (Please call ahead to make sure there is someone at the church to receive your items.) All items should be clean and in good condition. Watch for more information in future bulletins and emails.

<u>March Mission Partner – Bemidji Community Food Shelf</u>: 2023 marks over 40 years of service by the Bemidji Community Food Shelf (BCFS) to Bemidji and surrounding communities. Initially a small downtown storefront with a few dedicated volunteers, he BCFS has grown to serve thousands of people. In 2021, 6,200 families received 550,000 pounds of food. Among those families, nearly 5,500 were children and 3,000 were seniors – the fastest growing segment of food insecurity in the state of Minnesota.

The month of March also marks the annual Minnesota Food Share Campaign, the most significant food/fundraiser of the year. Donations received during March allow the BCFS to

keep purchasing food through the spring, summer, and fall when donations are at their lowest. An added incentive is that all donations during the month of March receive a partial match, making your gifts go farther.

Please prayerfully consider how you might support this valuable ministry, and remember to indicate on your check or offering envelope that your gift is to support the work of the Bemidji Community Food Shelf. You can learn more about Minnesota March Food Share Month on the BCFS' newly updated website BCFSMN.ORG. If you are interested in volunteering at the Food shelf, contact Karin Snortland at ksnortland65@gmail.com or 218-586-2745.

<u>Offering Reminder</u>: Please remember to indicate on your check/offering envelope how you wish your gift to be credited. Unmarked offerings/those marked "general" go toward New Salem's annual operating expenses; gifts marked for other entities are credited as such in your giving record and sent to those organizations. Thank you for supporting the missions of New Salem!

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Lent, Holy Week and Easter Worship at New Salem Lutheran Church for 2023

Midweek Lenten Services Wednesday Evenings, 7:00 p.m. March 22, 29



sanna! Palm Sunday Service, April 2, 9:30 a.m.



Holy Thursday Service, April 6, 6:30 p.m.



Good Friday Service - April 7, 6:30 p.m.



Easter Sunday Services - April 9

7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service

9:30 a.m. Service

Coffee Fellowship between services

*For those not comfortable worshiping in person, selected services will be live streamed and shared online via New Salem's YouTube channel, Facebook page and website (newsalemlutheran.org).