

GATHERING

Prelude

The Invitation of the Bell

Gathering Song— ELW*

“Gather Us In”

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Welcome and Praise Reports

Prayer of the Day*

C: Sovereign God, you have created us to live in loving community with one another. Form us for life that is faithful and steadfast, and teach us to trust like little children, that we may reflect the image of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Oct. 4, 2015

New Life Band Concert— Sunday, October 25th, 3:00 PM—
New Creation Lutheran Church, 72758 Santa Theresa Blvd,
San Jose, Ca 95119

"JAMBO!"

NEW LIFE BAND 2015 Tour

TRADITIONAL AND CONTEMPORARY

**GOSPEL MUSIC OF
TANZANIA!**



The New Life Band, will begin their 2015
CA/MN/WI Tour in the SF Bay Area, engaging audiences through its close
harmonies, traditional African drum rhythms, and contemporary
Christian music of Africa.

**Concert admission is FREE - Donations are welcome
NLB is a non- profit ministry in Tanzania**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Oct. 4, 2015

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**Youth/Children's Sunday School**—8:30 AM, Room 2  
**Sunday Adult Bible Study**- Sundays at 8:45 AM in the library  
**Lord's Pantry** deliveries are made every Monday

## Financials/Attendance for Sept. 27th

Attendance: 26

Offering: \$1935.00

Social Concern of the Month: \$52.00

## This is the Feast ...

*Refrain*  
Assisting minister

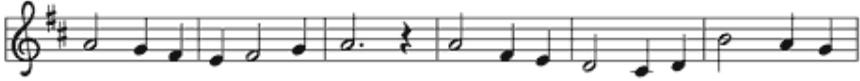


This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## WORD

Children's Message

Pastor Anne Carlson

First Reading:

*I Kings 19:1-16*

**AM:** Now Ahab told Jezebel everything Elijah had done and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. <sup>2</sup> So Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah to say, "May the gods deal with me, be it ever so severely, if by this time tomorrow I do not make your life like that of one of them."

<sup>3</sup> Elijah was afraid and ran for his life. When he came to Beersheba in Judah, he left his servant there, <sup>4</sup> while he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness. He came to a broom bush, sat down under it and prayed that he might die. "I have had enough, LORD," he said. "Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors." <sup>5</sup> Then he lay down under the bush and fell asleep.

All at once an angel touched him and said, "Get up and eat." <sup>6</sup> He looked around, and there by his head was some bread baked over hot coals, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again.

<sup>7</sup> The angel of the LORD came back a second time and touched him and said, "Get up and eat, for the journey is too much for you." <sup>8</sup> So he got up and ate and drank. Strengthened by that food, he traveled forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>9</sup> There

## ~October Celebration~

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Carol Kruger     | 1  |
| Paul Gerhardt    | 2  |
| George Kingston  | 10 |
| Connie Zimmerman | 12 |
| Catherine Werner | 13 |
| Linda Iversen    | 13 |
| Mardi Kambish    | 24 |
| John Botelho     | 27 |
| Shirley Brothers | 27 |
| Stefan Myslicki  | 28 |

### OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

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| Hans & Beverly Koehler | 2 |
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Term Pastor: Pastor Anne Carlson  
 Organist: Catherine Ellacer  
 Ushers: Bob Balcomb/Les Grundy  
 Reader/Intercessions: Stefan Mylsicki  
 Refreshments: Stefan Mylsicki  
 Greeter: Mimi Shilov  
 Altar Care: Linda Perez  
 Flowers: Mimi Shilov

***Office Hours***  
***Pastor Anne Carlson***  
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Tues. and Thurs. Afternoons
And by appointment
For emergencies dial (408) 406-8749

In Our Prayers...

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 Nathan Balcomb/Crall    Pastor Kimm  
 Sharon Biller            Tia Balcomb  
 Elizabeth Krc            Marie Hughes  
 Lira Kingston

he went into a cave and spent the night. And the word of the LORD came to him: “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

<sup>10</sup> He replied, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.”

<sup>11</sup> The LORD said, “Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.”

Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. <sup>12</sup> After the earthquake came a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. <sup>13</sup> When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave.

Then a voice said to him, “What are you doing here, Elijah?”

<sup>14</sup> He replied, “I have been very zealous for the LORD God Almighty. The Israelites have rejected your covenant, torn down your altars, and put your prophets to death with the sword. I am the only one left, and now they are trying to kill me too.”

<sup>15</sup> The LORD said to him, “Go back the way you came, and go to the Desert of Damascus. When you get there, anoint Hazael king over Aram. <sup>16</sup> Also, anoint Jehu son of Nimshi king over Israel, and anoint Elisha son of Shaphat from Abel Meholah to succeed you as prophet.

P: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 34:1-8**

**AM:** <sup>1</sup>I will extol the Lord at all times;  
his praise will always be on my lips.

<sup>2</sup> I will glory in the Lord;  
let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

<sup>3</sup> Glorify the Lord with me;  
let us exalt his name together.

<sup>4</sup> I sought the Lord, and he answered me;  
he delivered me from all my fears.

<sup>5</sup> Those who look to him are radiant;  
their faces are never covered with shame.

<sup>6</sup> This poor man called, and the Lord heard him;  
he saved him out of all his troubles.

<sup>7</sup> The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him,  
and he delivers them.

<sup>8</sup> Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

## **Invitation & Announcements**

### **Blessing\***

**P:** The blessing of God’s eternal love, the courage to follow the way of Christ’s cross, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the broken places of our world, be upon you and remain with you forever.

**C: Amen**

### **Sending Hymn—ELW**

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“You Shall Go Out”

### **\*Dismissal**

**P:** Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Postlude**

## Invitation to the table

**P:** Come to the banquet, for nothing and no one can take your place. This is God's table, and Jesus is the host of this meal. It is a table of grace and it is all we will ever need.

Come, for all are welcome.

## Post-Communion Blessing

**P:** The life and covenant of Jesus, our companion, strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

## Offering\*

**SENDING**

In response to all that God does for us, it is appropriate that we give in return . . .

We will now receive our offering.

## Doxology\*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**praise God, all people here below;**

**praise God above, all heav'nly hosts;**

**praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

**Amen**

**P:** Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation \*



**P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark 10:13-16:**

**C: Glory to You, O Lord**

**P:** <sup>13</sup>People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. <sup>14</sup>But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, "Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of

God belongs. <sup>15</sup>Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it." <sup>16</sup>And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

**Message**

**Pastor Anne Carlson**

**“What Are You Doing Here?”**

**Hymn of the Day\* - ELW**

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“You Satisfy the Hungry Heart” vs. 2-5

(During the hymn, hand the usher any prayer request cards.)

**Apostles Creed\***

P: With the whole Church, let us affirm our faith.

**C: 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 power of 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.**

Holy God, we pray for your Spirit to come.  
Enliven this bread. Awaken this body of Christ.  
Pour us out for each other. Ignite your church.

Come Holy Spirit in this place.

**P:** Let us join our voices together and pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**C: 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 trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen**

## Communion Prayer\*

**P:** Blessed are you, God of all creation. Through your goodness, you have made this world and called us to be your children. We praise you, as you call us to build your people into a community of love.

You sent your son Jesus to show us who we are to be.

He showed us how to forgive and taught us that love is stronger than any force of evil or sin. Help us to remember the call you have given us as we gather here at Jesus' table to celebrate this meal.

We recall on the night before he died, Jesus took bread, blessed, broke it, and shared it with all who were there, saying:

Take and eat; this is my life, given for you.

Whenever you do this, re-member me.

In the same way, he took a cup of wine from the table, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant given to you and to all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Whenever you do this, remember me.

**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**

## AM: Prayers of Intersession

Made alive with God in Christ, we pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

*A brief silence.*

Holy and loving God, through the cross of Christ, continue your redeeming and unifying work among your people. Show us how to live well with each other as one family.

Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Strengthen the bonds between humans and the animals who work with them: on farms, in households, and in emergency situations. Teach us to value all animals. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

We pray for the world. This week from the Cycle of World Prayer we especially lift up Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan. May they live in your peace and protection.

**C: hear our prayer.**

Walk faithfully with those who find great joy in relationships and with those who experience the pain of broken relationships. Make the church a place where all people may come to know loving companionship. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Lift up your children who are bent and broken in times of crisis or long periods of suffering (*especially*). By your presence, restore their hope. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Guide and direct sisters and brothers in Christ who are engaged in specialized ministry for the sake of the world. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Bless the ministry of New Creation, San Jose out sister congregation in our parish and we lift them up in prayer. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

We bless you for the lives of the saints through whom you have revealed your love for the world. Continue to reveal your covenant life through us until the last day. Lord, in your mercy,

**C: hear our prayer.**

Gather these concerns and all who are in need into your abundant care, O God, remembering your promise of mercy, through Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

P: Peace of the Lord be with you

**C: And also with you**



**Call to the Table: “Bless His Holy Name”**

## MEAL

L: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

L: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

L: It is indeed right, our duty and joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . .