

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost July 13, 2025 | 9:30am

Welcome to worship! We gather to praise the resurrected Lord!

Resurrection Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered and cross-focused body of believers who strive to follow Jesus and reach out to others in His name.

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer of the Day

P: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray:

C: God of mercy and tender compassion, through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son the depth and breadth of your mercy is profoundly revealed. By your Spirit empower us to lead lives that are faithful reflections of your own gracious mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

God Is Here! (vss. 1,2,4)

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Confession and Forgiveness of Sin

P: The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Because we have faith in him, we dare to approach God with confidence, drawing near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find help in times of need. Christ, the light of the world, has come to dispel the darkness of our hearts. Let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: Gracious God,

C: We confess the many ways we have failed to live as your disciples. We have not finished what we began. We have feasted with friends but ignored strangers. We have been captivated by our possessions. Lift our burdens, gracious God. Refresh our hearts and forgive our sin. Raise us to the new life you have chosen for us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: There is rejoicing in heaven when sinners repent. Put your trust in these promises: God will never leave you or forsake you. You, who were lost, are found. Hear the good news of the Gospel: in accordance to the command of our Lord Jesus, and by his authority alone, I forgive you the entirety of all your sins.

C: Amen.

Hymn of Praise

A song of thanksgiving for the forgiveness we have in Jesus Christ

Angels, sing, and earth, reply: "Glory be to God on high!"
God who flung the stars in space, God who formed the human race,
God of wisdom, pow'r, and love, Lord of lords, our King above.
Angels, sing, and earth, reply: "Glory be to God on high!"

Angels, sing, and earth, reply: "Glory be to God on high!"
God who saw your creatures fall, Loved them still, and loved them all,
Gave your only Son to show What is mercy, what is love;
Angels, sing, and earth, reply: "Glory be to God on High!"

Children's Sermon

First Reading | Leviticus 19:9-18

The Word of the Lord was given to Moses concerning the ways in which Israel was to care for those among them who were poor or in need: leave some of the harvest in the field, do not gather the fallen grapes in the vineyard, do not take what is not yours or lie to another person, pay your workers, love your neighbor as yourself.

⁹"When you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap your field right up to its edge, neither shall you gather the gleanings after your harvest. ¹⁰And you shall not strip your vineyard bare, neither shall you gather the fallen grapes of your vineyard. You shall leave them for the poor and for the sojourner: I am the Lord your God. ¹¹"You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. ¹²You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the Lord. ¹³"You shall not oppress your neighbor or rob him. The wages of a hired worker shall not remain with you all night until the morning. ¹⁴You shall not curse the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind, but you shall fear your God: I am the Lord. ¹⁵"You shall do no injustice in court. You shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. ¹⁶You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the Lord. ¹⁷"You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason frankly with your neighbor, lest you incur sin because of him. ¹⁸You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

R: The Word of the Lord C: Thanks be to God!

Responsive Reading | Psalm 41

The psalmist cries out to the Lord in the midst of being betrayed by friend and foe alike. But the Lord will not forsake him. He will uphold his servant.

R: Blessed is the one who considers the poor! In the day of trouble the Lord delivers him;

C: the Lord protects him and keeps him alive; he is called blessed in the land; you do not give him up to the will of his enemies.

R: The Lord sustains him on his sickbed; in his illness you restore him to full health.

C: As for me, I said, "O Lord, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against you!"

R: My enemies say of me in malice, "When will he die, and his name perish?"

C: And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words, while his heart gathers iniquity; when he goes out, he tells it abroad.

R: All who hate me whisper together about me; they imagine the worst for me.

C: They say, "A deadly thing is poured out on him; he will not rise again from where he lies."

R: Even my close friend in whom I trusted, who ate my bread, has lifted his heel against me.

C: But you, O Lord, be gracious to me, and raise me up, that I may repay them!

R: By this I know that you delight in me: my enemy will not shout in triumph over me.

C: But you have upheld me because of my integrity, and set me in your presence forever.

R: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting! Amen and Amen.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Second Reading | Colossians 1:1-14

The Apostle Paul thanked God for the saints in Colossae. He urged the people to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, bearing fruit for the Gospel. He told them that they were qualified to do God's will and proclaimed to them the good news of redemption and forgiveness in Jesus Christ.

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ²To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. ³We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, ⁴since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, ⁴which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, 7just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf ⁴and has made known to us your love in the Spirit. ⁴And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the

knowledge of God; ¹¹being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. ¹³He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

R: The Word of the Lord. C: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation

God's word is our great heritage and shall be ours forever; To spread its light from age to age shall be our chief endeavor. Through life it guides our way; in death it is our stay. Lord, grant while time shall last your Church may hold it fast Throughout all generations.

Gospel Reading | Luke 10:25-37

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 10th chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

²⁵And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" ²⁷And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live." ²⁹But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" 30 Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. 35 And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" ³⁷He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon: The Unexpected Hero

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

Reclaim No. 248

Offering Presentation

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One; Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son. (repeat)

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And now let the weak say, "I am strong!" Let the poor say "I am rich

Because of what the Lord has done for us!" (repeat)

Give thanks!

The Apostles' Creed

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

C: And also with you.

P: God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in this peace and in community with one another, let us confess our faith:

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

Prayers of the People

Each petition ends with the words "Lord, in your mercy." Respond by saying, "Hear our prayer."

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.

Benediction

God Be with You Till We Meet Again (vss. 1,2,4)

Reclaim No. 55

Dismissal

P: Go in peace, loving and serving in the name of our crucified and risen Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

God Is Here!



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Announcements

Welcome to Worship! Resurrection Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered and cross-focused member congregation of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ. Members and visitors are encouraged to sign the **friendship pad** at the end of your pew.

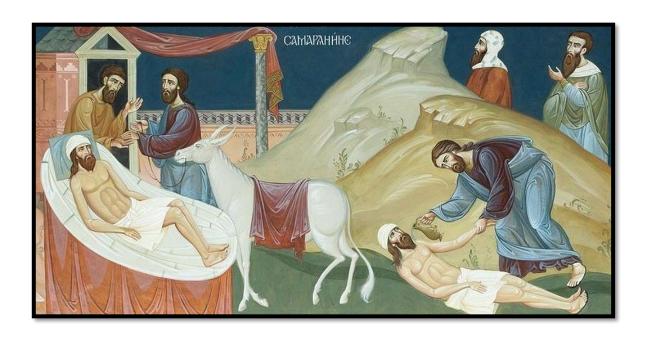
Thank-you for your **tithes and offerings** to help further the mission of Resurrection Lutheran Church. An offering plate has been placed by the entrance doors into the Sanctuary for your convenience. Venmo users can scan the QR code found in the pew racks.

Pie In The Face Fundraiser: RLC is raising money this month for The Reach Resource Center, a Mankato non-profit that serves youth who are at risk, experiencing homelessness or have run away from home. In the narthex, you'll find 3 jars: one for Cliff Thompson, Bob Spiegler and Joe Olstrom. Which of these men would you like to see get pied in the face by their wife at the Backyard Bash in September? Bring in your cash and spare change and put it in that man's jar. Whoever has the most money in their jar at the end of the month will be slated to get the piel But, a twist...if all 3 men receive over \$150 in their jar, they'll each receive the honors. Bring in your donations next month for some good fun for a good cause!

Men's Outing: The men of Resurrection Lutheran are invited to attend a night with the Mankato Moondogs baseball team! We'll be attending Kinship Radio's faith night on Sunday, August 3rd at 5:00pm. Tickets are \$10 and will cover your entrance into the game, as well as a hotdog, chips and drink. Sign-up on the Welcome Center desk to reserve your ticket. Payment can be given to Pastor Aaron the night of the game. Invite your dad, brother, son, friend or neighbor and join us in the grandstand!

The second half of our summer **Adult Confirmation** series will begin this Thursday, July 16th at 6:30pm downstairs in the Adult Education classroom. We will start our 7-week walk through Luther's Small Catechism. If you are new to the Lutheran tradition or if it's been quite some time since you have read through your Catechism, this would be a great introduction or refresher course. Written in 1529, a treasure of the Reformation movement, Luther's Small Catechism gives a clear, concise, and profound summary of the Christian faith, crafted to draw both heart and mind to the truth of the Gospel.

Birthdays this week: Gerri Bratsch (Today), Darlene Korstad (17th), and Harvard Jaeck (18th) **Anniversaries this week:** Jerry and Joyce Roust (14th)



This Week at Resurrection Lutheran

Sunday	July 13	9:30am	Worship
•		10:30am	Fellowship
Monday	July 14	10:00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	July 16	Noon	Lectionary Bible Study
•		1:00pm	Women's Bible Study
		5:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
		6:30pm	Adult Confirmation
Thursday	July 17	9:00am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	July 20	9:30am	Worship
-		10:30am	Fellowship
		10:30am	Church Council

Those Serving Today

Pastor: Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch Keyboardist: Nikki Basel

Reader: Karen Jaeck Ushers: Brad Matthes and Doug Mayer

Greeters: Harvard and Karen Jaeck

Tech Team: Doug Krahmer, Mike Youngerberg, Vicki Youngerberg and Nancy Heinze

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