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THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | Sunday, September 1, 2024

PRELUDE

WELCOME *and* ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE INVOCATION *and* GATHERING PRAYER

P: We gather under the sign of the cross and 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: Eternal and everlasting God, keep us diligent in our faithfulness that we might not fall into practicing hollow rituals and traditions but always worship you and you alone in purity and holiness; through our own life's journey; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: O Christ, Our Hope *(see back of the bulletin)*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN

P: The prophet Daniel declares: "To the Lord our God belongs mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by walking in his ways, which he set before us by the prophets." And yet, in Christ, all obstacles between us and God have been removed. If death no longer stands in our way, our sin does not either. Let us confess our sins, that they may be washed away by God's mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: God of the promise,

C: We confess that we have turned from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your will and your ways. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits, that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever. Amen.

P: Hear the good news: by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God. The risen Christ is the Savior of all. God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. In the name of Jesus, the entirety of your sins are forgiven!

C: Amen! Thanks be to God!

THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

S, A

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Lord God of

hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

div. *unis.*

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

div.

high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Moses instructed the Israelites to learn the statutes of the Lord. By keeping them they would become wise, not only among their own tribes, but also in the eyes of the nations that surrounded them. They were not to add or subtract anything from God's commandments but to hold them close forever.

¹“And now, O Israel, listen to the statutes and the rules that I am teaching you, and do them, that you may live, and go in and take possession of the land that the Lord, the God of your fathers, is giving you. ²You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the Lord your God that I command you. ⁶Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the

peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' ⁷For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? ⁸And what great nation is there, that has statutes and rules so righteous as all this law that I set before you today? ⁹"Only take care, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things that your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life. Make them known to your children and your children's children.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 119:129-136

The psalmist praised God's decrees even as he wept over the fact that many do not follow God's commands or keep his Word. The Word of the Lord gives light, wisdom, and understanding.

R: Your testimonies are wonderful; therefore my soul keeps them.

C: The unfolding of your words gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple.

R: I open my mouth and pant, because I long for your commandments.

C: Turn to me and be gracious to me, as is your way with those who love your name.

R: Keep steady my steps according to your promise, and let no iniquity get dominion over me.

C: Redeem me from man's oppression, that I may keep your precepts.

R: Make your face shine upon your servant, and teach me your statutes.

C: My eyes shed streams of tears, because people do not keep your law.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING: Ephesians 6:10-20

St. Paul wrote to encourage the Christians in Ephesus. He knew that they were living in the midst of a culture that worshipped pagan idols and that the enemy, Satan, was fighting against their faith. "Put on the whole armor of God," Paul instructed, so they might stand against the attacks of evil.

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil

one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 7:14-23

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark, the 7th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹⁴And he called the people to him again and said to them, “Hear me, all of you, and understand: ¹⁵There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.” ¹⁷And when he had entered the house and left the people, his disciples asked him about the parable. ¹⁸And he said to them, “Then are you also without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile him, ¹⁹since it enters not his heart but his stomach, and is expelled?” (Thus he declared all foods clean.) ²⁰And he said, “What comes out of a person is what defiles him. ²¹For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, ²²coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. ²³All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON: Heart Disease

HYMN OF THE DAY: Lord Jesus, Think on Me.....RECLAIM No. 178

OFFERING PRESENTATION



Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up - on your ta - ble.
Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be - fore you.



We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.
Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

THE NICENE 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:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

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

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to you, O Lord, Holy Father, for in the night of his betrayal...

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION ACCLAMATION

Save us, save us, Sav - ior of the
world, for by your Cross and Res - ur - rec - tion
div.
you have set us free.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord Jesus, as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim your death until you come again. Remember us, therefore, in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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 DISTRIBUTION

Resurrection Lutheran's communion practices can be found on the "Come To The Table" instructional in your pew. If you are a visitor or guest, please consider referencing this card.

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN: Take My Life, and Let it Be.....RECLAIM No. 233

DISMISSAL

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

C: Thanks be to God!

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION LUTHERAN

Sunday	September 1	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
Tuesday	September 3	11:00am	EEO Committee
Thursday	September 5	6:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	September 8	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship/Sunday School
		4:00pm	Backyard Bash

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch

Keyboardist: Wendy LaFavor

Reader: Donna Krahmer

Ushers: Kevin Leffel and Ron Brooks

Greeters: Reinhard and Barb Riessen **Communion Set-Up:** Tony and Becky Miller

Communion Assistants: Carol Severson and Donna Krahmer

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.

“The Table” Young Adults Group will start up again for the school year on Sunday, September 15th! We will meet at 6pm for a grill out at Mike and Vicki Youngerberg’s home – 22 Restless Court, North Mankato. RSVP to Vicki or Pastor Aaron so we have an accurate headcount for food. Invite your friends and join us!

Sunday School kicks off next Sunday, September 8th after worship! Do you have grandchildren, neighbors, or friends that you can invite to learn about Jesus with us? Spread the word!

Women’s Bible study will begin again on Wednesday, September 11th at 1:00pm in the downstairs adult education classroom! Mark your calendars and join us!

You are invited to join us for **RLC’s Backyard Bash** (*formerly known as the Block Party*) next Sunday, September 8th from 4pm to 6pm on the south lawn. Come to enjoy live music, Scoops ice cream, and walking tacos. A free will donation will be collected for the meal, benefiting our congregation’s mercy ministry fund to help those in need. Bring your favorite lawn game and a chair to sit in for an enjoyable afternoon under the trees!

Are you interested in learning the duties of the **financial assistant** here at RLC? While Vicki has no intention of stepping away from her role, we are looking for someone who could be ready to step in should she need to be gone for an extended period of time. Ideal candidates would have adequate computer skills and basic accounting knowledge.

Please remember that our **church directory photos** will be taken this week on Tuesday and Wednesday. Be sure to double check your appointment time or sign up for an appointment if you haven’t done so already.

New Adult Forum Series: What do Lutherans believe about Jesus? Salvation? Scripture? Marriage? What is biblical Lutheranism and how do these beliefs apply to the world we live in today? Come, discern these questions and ask more, as we reflect on basic biblical teachings and use language from Lutheran history and documents to uncover answers. This six-week series led by Pastor Aaron will begin on Wednesday, September 11th at 6:30pm in the downstairs adult education classroom.

Birthdays this week: Oliver Olstrom (2nd) and Andry Ranaivoson (4th)
Anniversaries this week: Clark and Jane Diel (Today)

O Christ, Our Hope



1 O Christ, our hope, our hearts' de - sire, cre - a - tion's
2 How vast your mer - cy to ac - cept the bur - den
3 But now the bonds of death are burst, the ran - som
4 Oh, let your might - y love pre - vail to purge us
5 All praise to you, as - cend - ed Lord; all glo - ry



might-y Lord, re - deem - er of the fall - en world, by
of our sin, and bow your head in cru - el death to
has been paid; you reign a - bove at God's right hand, in
of our pride, that we may stand be - fore your throne by
ev - er be to Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it blest through



ho - ly love out - poured, by ho - ly love out - poured:
make us clean with - in, to make us clean with - in.
robes of light ar - rayed, in robes of light ar - rayed.
mer - cy pu - ri - fied, by mer - cy pu - ri - fied.
all e - ter - ni - ty, through all e - ter - ni - ty!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 8th cent.; tr. John Chandler, 1806–1876, adapt.
Music: LOBT GOTT, IHR CHRISTEN, Nikolaus Herman, 1480–1561

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