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THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | Sunday, August 27, 2023

PRELUDE

Please consider signing the friendship pad at the end of your pew

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: Almighty God, your mercy endures forever, revealed through your Son's life, death, and resurrection. With faithful followers of all generations, make us boldly declare Jesus as Lord and proclaim his redeeming and reconciling work to all people; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN: Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation *(see back of the bulletin)*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, as we gather for worship, let us first call to mind our faults and failings. We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden, to ask for his forgiveness and peace. Trusting, therefore, in God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sins against God and one another:

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: Eternal God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. Forgive all our offenses, known and unknown, things done and things we have failed to do. Cleanse us from the power of sin by your Holy and life-giving Word. By your grace, draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us in Baptism. In the mercy of Almighty God, Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Hear the good news of the Gospel: in Christ's name, your sins are forgiven.

C: Amen!

THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

We sing a hymn of praise to God as a response to the proclamation of forgiveness

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in G major, 6/4 time. It consists of five staves of music with lyrics underneath. The first staff is marked 'S, A' and contains the lyrics 'Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Lord God of'. The second staff continues with 'hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -'. The third staff is marked 'div.' and 'unis.' and contains 'san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes'. The fourth staff continues with 'in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the'. The fifth staff is marked 'div.' and concludes with 'high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.'.

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CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Isaiah 51:1-6

God reminded Israel from whence they came. They were descended from Abraham and Sarah, whom God called and multiplied into a great nation. This is good news for those who are in the desert wastelands, who need comfort, and those who aren't sure where to turn. God's salvation is forever.

¹“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the Lord: look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the quarry from which you were dug. ²Look to Abraham your father and to Sarah who bore you; for he was but one when I called him, that I might bless him and multiply him. ³For the Lord comforts Zion; he comforts all her waste places and makes her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song. ⁴“Give attention to me, my people, and give ear to me, my nation; for a law will go out from me, and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 138

The Lord would take notice and save the psalmist from whatever he was concerned about. Whether it was an enemy's wrath, poverty, or trouble, the Lord would rescue the psalmist with his right hand.

R: I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

C: I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

R: On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased.

C: All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth,

R: and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.

C: For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar.

R: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life; you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me.

C: The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

R: The Word of the Lord.

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SECOND READING: Romans 11:33-12:8

St. Paul offered the church in Rome some advice for the Christian journey. He urged them to not be conformed to the world, but rather to be transformed by the renewing of their minds that are set on Christ. Each member of the Body of Christ was given a function to be exercised for the good of all.

³³Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! ³⁴“For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?” ³⁵“Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?” ³⁶For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. ¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. ³For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. ⁴For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; ⁷if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

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. Hal - le - lu - jah.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 16:13-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 16th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹³Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” ¹⁴And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” ¹⁵He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” ¹⁶Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” ¹⁷And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.” ²⁰Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON: Can You Buy It?

HYMN OF THE DAY: Built on the Rock (vss. 1,2,5,7).....RECLAIM No. 91

OFFERING PRESENTATION

As the usher brings forward the offering, please stand to sing:



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 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.

CHOIR ANTHEM: Ceaseless Praise (*arr: Havergal and Metzger*)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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

HYMN: The Church's One Foundation (vss. 1,2,4,5).....RECLAIM No. 88

DISMISSAL

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

C: Thanks be to God!

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch

Reader: Karen McGregor

Greeters: Pat and Karen McGregor

Keyboardist: Nikki Basel

Ushers: Don Peterson and Kevin Leffel

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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. To learn more about our association of churches please visit www.lcmc.net. Members and visitors are encouraged to sign the **friendship pad** at the end of your pew before the service begins or during announcements.

Be sure to stop in the narthex this morning to pick up the September newsletter. Inside you'll find a registration form for our new SALT groups at Resurrection Lutherans. SALT groups are small groups (comprised of 6-8 people) who will meet regularly throughout the year for fellowship, support, encouragement, and a light Bible Study. This is a new ministry to the congregation. Please reach out to Pastor Aaron with questions.

Women's Bible Study will begin again on Wednesday, September 13th at 1:00pm with a SOLA Publishing series on Ephesians entitled, *"By the Will of God"* by Rev. Drs. Amy C. Little and Steven E. King. See Karen McGregor to be included in the book order.

Birthdays this week: Helen Kurth (29th)

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION LUTHERAN

Sunday	August 27	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
Monday	August 28	10:00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	August 30	Noon	Lectionary Lunch
		5:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
		6:30pm	Book/Video Discussion
Thursday	August 31	8:00am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	September 3	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship

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Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

No one can lay any foundation other than Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 3:11

1. Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion. Christ the head and
2. To this tem - ple, where we call Thee, Come, O Lord of
3. Here vouch - safe to all Thy ser - vants What they ask of
4. Laud and hon - or to the Fa - ther; Laud and hon - or

cor - ner - stone, Cho - sen of the Lord and pre - cious,
hosts, to - day. With ac - cus - tomed lov - ing - kind - ness
Thee to gain, What they gain from Thee for - ev - er
to the Son. Laud and hon - or to the Spir - it;

Bind - ing all the Church in one, Ho - ly Zi - on's
Hear Thy peo - ple as they pray, And Thy full - est
With the bless - ed to re - tain, And here - af - ter
Ev - er Three and ev - er One. One in might and

help for - ev - er, And her con - fi - dence a - lone.
ben - e - dic - tion Shed with - in its walls al - way.
in Thy glo - ry Ev - er - more with Thee to reign.
One in glo - ry While un - end - ing a - ges run.

TEXT: Latin Hymn, 7th century; translated by John M. Neale
MUSIC: Henry T. Smart

REGENT SQUARE
8.7.8.7.8.7.