



The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 17, 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: Holy One, refine us by the fire of your love so that we find ourselves able to stand firm in the faith. By the death and resurrection of your Son, bring us to that day when we shall stand with the great cloud of witnesses in your eternal presence; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

O Christ, the Great Foundation

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Confession and Forgiveness of Sin

P: Beloved in the Lord, let us draw near to God our Father with a true heart to confess our sins and ask him in the name of our Lord Jesus to forgive us. For Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross so that, free from sin, we might live in righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: Eternal God,

C: Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and are held by the power of sin. 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, that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus, your sins are forgiven. May Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that the promise of Christ's forgiveness may live in your hearts through faith.

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.

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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 | Jeremiah 23:16-29

The Word of the Lord came to the people through Jeremiah and warned them about listening to their false prophecies. Those so-called prophets were not sent by God, and their message is a delusional one. Those who lie in the Name of the Lord will be punished severely. Their goal is to turn people away from the one God.

¹⁶Thus says the Lord of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the Lord. ¹⁷They say continually to those who despise the word of the Lord, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.'" ¹⁸For who among them has stood in the council of the Lord to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened? ¹⁹Behold, the storm of the Lord! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest; it will burst upon the head of the wicked. ²⁰The anger of the Lord will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart. In the latter days you will understand it clearly. ²¹"I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied. ²²But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds. ²³"Am I a God at hand, declares the Lord, and not a God far away? ²⁴Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the Lord. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' ²⁶How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, ²⁷who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the Lord. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, declares the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

Responsive Reading | Psalm 119:81-88

The psalmist cried out to the Lord for salvation and comfort amid the trials brought on by his enemies. "Spare my life," he begged, "so that I may tell of your goodness."

R: My soul longs for your salvation; I hope in your word.

C: My eyes long for your promise; I ask, "When will you comfort me?"

R: For I have become like a wineskin in the smoke, yet I have not forgotten your statutes.

C: How long must your servant endure? When will you judge those who persecute me?

R: The insolent have dug pitfalls for me; they do not live according to your law.

C: All your commandments are sure; they persecute me with falsehood; help me!

R: They have almost made an end of me on earth, but I have not forsaken your precepts.

C: In your steadfast love give me life, that I may keep the testimonies of your mouth.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

Second Reading | Hebrews 11:17-31; 12:1-3

The author of Hebrews proclaimed the source of believers' strength: faith in God. By faith the forefathers followed the Lord and were obedient to His holy will. This gives the faithful the courage and perseverance to continue to run the race of the life of faith that is set before us. Jesus will not abandon us, but will help us endure.

¹⁷By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, ¹⁸of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." ¹⁹He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. ²⁰By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. ²¹By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. ²²By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones. ²³By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. ²⁴By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. ²⁷By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. ²⁸By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them. ²⁹By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies. ¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the

joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. ³Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

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 12:49-56

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 12th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

⁴⁹“I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵²For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. ⁵³They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”
⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, “When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, ‘A shower is coming.’ And so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, ‘There will be scorching heat,’ and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon: It Changes Everything

Faith of Our Fathers

Reclaim No. 216

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*)

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 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

A prayer of adoration to the one who died and rose again to take away our sin

Meek, slaughtered Lamb of God, You bore the sinner's load To buy our peace:
Now risen and enthroned, With life and glory crowned,
To all the lost and found please grant your peace.

The 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 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

How Firm a Foundation

Reclaim No. 191

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

Keyboardist: Dawn Peanasky

Reader: Eric Litynski

Ushers: Ron Brooks and Kevin Leffel

Greeters: Jerry and Joyce Roust

Communion Set-Up: Carol Severson

Communion Assistants: Carol Severson and Sharon Litynski

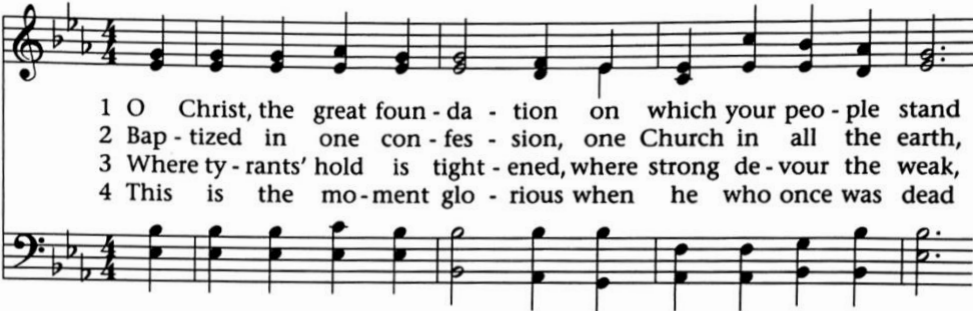
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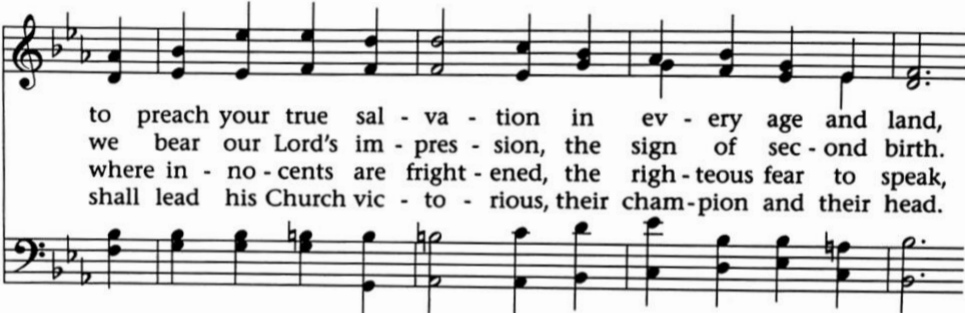
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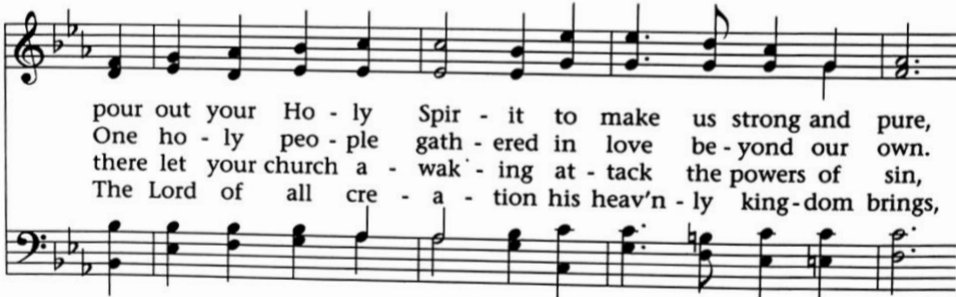
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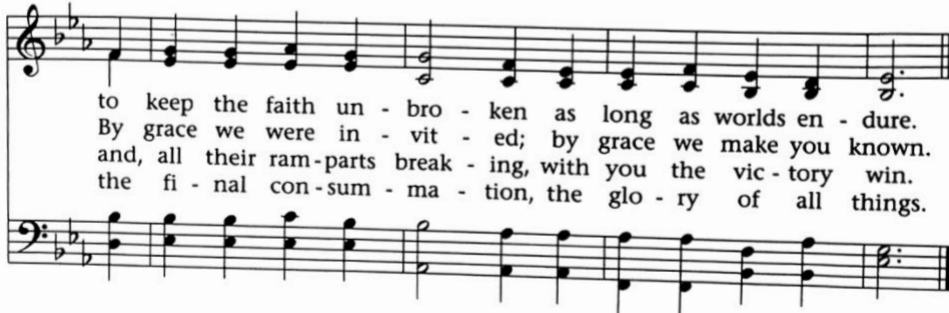
1 O Christ, the great foun - da - tion on which your peo - ple stand
 2 Bap - tized in one con - fes - sion, one Church in all the earth,
 3 Where ty - rants' hold is tight - ened, where strong de - vour the weak,
 4 This is the mo - ment glo - rious when he who once was dead



to preach your true sal - va - tion in ev - ery age and land,
 we bear our Lord's im - pres - sion, the sign of sec - ond birth.
 where in - no - cents are fright - ened, the righ - teous fear to speak,
 shall lead his Church vic - to - rious, their cham - pion and their head.



pour out your Ho - ly Spir - it to make us strong and pure,
 One ho - ly peo - ple gath - ered in love be - yond our own.
 there let your church a - wak - ing at - tack the powers of sin,
 The Lord of all cre - a - tion his heav'n - ly king - dom brings,



to keep the faith un - bro - ken as long as worlds en - dure.
 By grace we were in - vit - ed; by grace we make you known.
 and, all their ram - parts break - ing, with you the vic - tory win.
 the fi - nal con - sum - ma - tion, the glo - ry of all things.

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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.

The congregation is invited to attend our annual **Backyard Bash** to be held Sunday, September 7th from 4:30pm to 6:00pm on the south lawn. Walking tacos and Scoops Ice Cream from Elysian will be served! A free will offering will be taken for the meal, which will benefit RLC's mercy ministry fund. Entertainment will be provided by Father Paul van de Crommert, parish priest of Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Father Paul (aka: Cowboy Crommert) will present a concert of secular and sacred music, including John Denver hits and folk songs. Grab your lawn chair and join us for a relaxing evening under the trees!

Feeding Every Baby is a local non-profit that provides infant and toddler supplies to families in need. During the month of August, RLC will be holding a diaper, wipes and formula drive for Feeding Every Baby. You may bring in your donations anytime in the coming weeks.

Members of Resurrection Lutheran Church have the opportunity to worship at St. Dymas Prison Church inside the walls of the South Dakota State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls, SD on **Thursday, September 11th**. Transportation is included. Wanting to attend? You'll need to fill out a background check form, which can be found on the Welcome Center desk. It should be returned to Pastor Aaron by this Wednesday, August 20th.

The **Women of the Word mission day** for assembling our Global Health Mission hospice kits has been rescheduled. We will now meet on Saturday, September 13th at 9:30am.

A big **THANK-YOU** to all those who played a part in making this year's Vacation Bible School a huge success! Whether you worked in the kitchen or assisting with activities, your efforts were valued and appreciated.

Birthdays this week: Karen Spiegler (20th)

Anniversaries this week: Reinhard and Barb Riessen (19th)

This Week at Resurrection Lutheran

Sunday	August 17	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
Monday	August 18	10:00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	August 20	Noon	Lectionary Bible Study
		6:30pm	Adult Confirmation
Sunday	August 24	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
		10:30am	Church Council