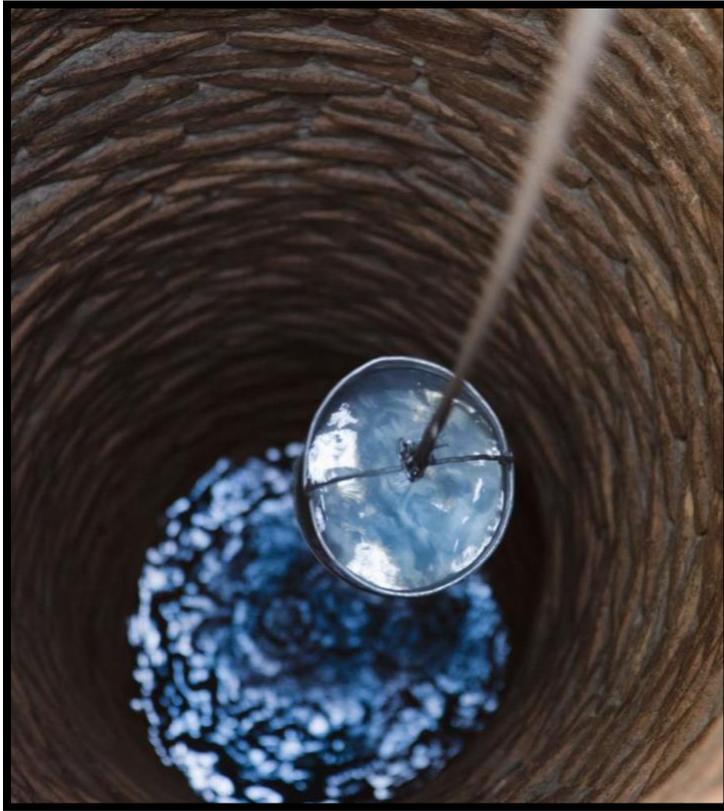


Resurrection Lutheran Church

1735 East Main Street – Mankato, MN 56001

+ *New Life in the Living Word* +



The Third Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2026 | 9:30am

The story from Exodus for today points to humanity's perpetual lack of faith as the Israelites complain about a lack of water in the wilderness. God commanded Moses to strike a rock and water gushed forth, filling all Israel's needs for refreshment and life. In the Gospel, a woman comes to faith in Jesus when he asks her for a drink during an exchange at Jacob's well. She soon discovers Living Water in him.

Welcome *and* Announcements

Please sign the welcome pad at the end of your pen

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, you are the fountain of living water. Stir within us a renewed sense of the gift of your mercy, given through your grace in the waters of baptism. Give us this living water always; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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Confession and Forgiveness of Sin | *Based on Psalm 32:5*

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

Glory be to God in heaven, Peace on earth, good will and grace;

We rejoice and sing thanksgiving, Hearts uplifted, songs of praise!

Lord, we bless You, Lord, we thank You, God Almighty, strong and true;

Lamb of God, our sin You carry, Grant us peace, our hearts renew.

You alone, O Christ, are holy, You alone the Lord Most High,
With the Spirit ever reigning, In the Father's glory nigh.
Now we sing our adoration, Praise resounds from shore to shore;
Glory, honor, power, blessing Be to God forevermore!

Children's Sermon

First Reading | Exodus 17:1-7

Pew Bible Pg. 67

The Israelites, disgruntled over a lack of drinking water while traveling in the wilderness, expressed their frustrations to Moses. Moses responded, asking them why they insisted on testing the Lord. He cried out to God in his own frustration, and God provided for their needs, producing water flowing from a rock.

Responsive Reading | Psalm 95:1-9

The psalmist urged the people not to be like their ancestors who fussed and complained at Massah and Meribah, but rather to sing praises to God for his greatness. God is our God, and we are the people he loves and for whom he provides.

R: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

C: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

R: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

C: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.

R: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

C: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

R: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. Today, if you hear his voice,

C: do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,

R: when your fathers put me to the test and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

Second Reading | Romans 5:1-8

Pew Bible Pg. 1090

Since we are justified by faith, we are able to face life's adversities with hope. In fact, we rejoice in our sufferings because of the character and hope which develop in the midst of them. The gift of peace comes with the great gift of being made right with God through faith in Christ.

R: Word of God; Word of life.

C: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation

Thy word is a lamp upon my feet and a light unto my path. *(Repeat)*

Gospel Reading | John 4:5-26

Pew Bible Pg. 1030

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 4th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

the Gospel text is read

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

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Offering Presentation

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus as stewards true receive
And gladly, as thou blessest us, to thee our first fruits give.

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

When Peace Like a River

Reclaim No. 224

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: Nikki Basel

Reader: Sharon Litynski

Ushers: Brad Matthes and Ron Brooks

Greeter: Donna Krahmer

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

This Week at Resurrection Lutheran

Sunday	March 8	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship/Sunday School
Monday	March 9	10:00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	March 11	Noon	Lectionary Bible Study
		1:00pm	Women's Bible Study
		5:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
		6:15pm	Soup Supper
		7:00pm	Midweek Lent Worship
Thursday	March 12	9:00am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	March 15	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Church Council
		10:30am	Fellowship/Sunday School

Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty



- 1 "Come to me, all pil-grims thirst - y; drink the wa - ter I will give.
- 2 "Come to me, all trav-lers wea - ry; come that I may give you rest.
- 3 "Come to me, be - liev-ers bur-dened; find re - fresh-ment in this place.
- 4 "Come to me, re - pen-tant sin - ners; leave be - hind your guilt and shame.



If you knew what gift I of - fer, you would come to me and live."
Drink the cup of life I of - fer; at this ta - ble be my guest."
Come, re - ceive the gift I of - fer, turn to me and seek my face."
Come and know di - vine com - pas - sion, turn to me. I call your name."

Refrain



Je - sus, ev - er - flow - ing foun - tain, give us wa - ter from your well.



In the gra - cious gift you of - fer there is joy no tongue can tell.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none">5 "Come to me, distressed and needy:
I would be your trusted friend.
Come and seek the gift I offer,
come, your open hands extend." <i>Refrain</i> | <ol style="list-style-type: none">6 "Come to me, abandoned, orphaned;
lonely ways no longer roam.
Come and take the gift I offer,
let me make in you my home." <i>Refrain</i> |
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As the Deer

As the deer pants for water, so my soul pants for You. Psalm 42:1
Harmony optional

1. As the deer pant-eth for the wa-ter, So my soul long-eth af - ter Thee.
2. You're my friend and You are my broth-er, E-ven though You are a King.
3. I want You more than gold or sil-ver, On-ly You can sat - is - fy.

You a - lone are my heart's de - sire, And I long to wor - ship Thee.
I love You more than an - y oth - er, So much more than an - y - thing.
You a - lone are the real joy giv - er, And the ap - ple of my eye.

Refrain

You a - lone are my strength, my shield; To You a - lone may my

spir - it yield. You a - lone are my

heart's de - sire, And I long to wor - ship Thee.

TEXT: Martin Nystrom
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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 and the Augustana District, LCMC. To learn more about our association of churches, please visit www.lcmc.net.

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.

Bibles are available on the shelves under the pews in front of you. Worshippers are encouraged to use these Bibles, or to bring one from home, to follow along with the Old Testament, New Testament, and Gospel readings.

Are you interested in **sponsoring a lily** in honor or memory of a loved one this coming Easter season? Remembrance forms are located on the Welcome Center desk and should be returned, with your free will donation, to the church office by Monday, March 30th.

Augustana District's first ever **Men's Retreat** will be held on Saturday, April 18th from 9am to 3pm at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Hutchinson. Our theme, "*Prodigal: The Road Home*," will lead us to reexamine the beloved parable of the Prodigal Son. Engaging speakers, worship, and breakout sessions will make this a day you won't want to miss. A sign-up sheet is available at the Welcome Center desk. The cost is \$15, which includes breakfast and lunch.

Are you interested in serving as our congregation's **voting delegate** to the 2026 Augustana District Convention on Saturday, April 25th at Mt. Carmel Ministries near Alexandria, MN? Spend the day in a beautiful, relaxing setting while fellowshiping with other Christians, hearing engaging speakers, learning about the meaningful work happening in LCMC, and growing in your faith. Lodging at Mt. Carmel is available the night before for those who are interested. See Pastor Aaron for more information

Anniversaries this week: Joe Olstrom and Nicole Rosenberg (10th)