

# The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 28, 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: Redeeming Lord, only in Jesus can we be set free from the power of sin and death. Instill in your church wise and generous hearts that we may be faithful stewards of the grace and love we have received from you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

# Come to Me, All Pilgrims Thirsty (vss. 1,3,5,6)

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# **Confession and Forgiveness of Sin**

P: Father of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: Most merciful God,

C: We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and are not worthy to be called your children. Have mercy on us and turn us from our sinful ways. Bring us back to you as those who were once dead but now have life, through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

P: The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in love. Through the Holy Spirit God gives life, freedom from the power of sin, and resurrection from the dead. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Live and walk in newness of life.

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 | Amos 6:1-7

The Word of the Lord came to Israel and chided them for their feelings of superiority over other nations and peoples. Woe to those who make their beds in comfort, eat sumptuous meals and sit idly enjoying all the good things in life. None of these are concerned with the "ruin of Joseph." These will be the first ones sent into exile.

1"Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes! <sup>2</sup>Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines. Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, <sup>3</sup>O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence? <sup>4</sup>"Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, <sup>5</sup>who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, <sup>6</sup>who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! <sup>7</sup>Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away."

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

#### Responsive Reading | Psalm 146

When we are happy in the Lord who is our refuge, we can do nothing other than sing his praises. There is no other that we can trust with all we are and all we have. It is him who keeps his promises forevermore.

R: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!

C: I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

R: Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

C: When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish.

R: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord his God,

C: who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, who keeps faith forever;

R: who executes justice for the oppressed, who gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets the prisoners free;

C: the Lord opens the eyes of the blind. The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous.

R: The Lord watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the fatherless, but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

C: The Lord will reign forever, your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!

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# Second Reading | 1 Timothy 3:1-13

Paul declared that any who want to take on positions of leadership in the church will be held to high standards in all aspects of their lives, including marriage, parenting, spiritual discernment and maturity, and honesty.

<sup>1</sup>The saying is trustworthy: If anyone aspires to the office of overseer, he desires a noble task. <sup>2</sup>Therefore an overseer must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, sober-minded, self-controlled, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, <sup>3</sup>not a drunkard, not violent but gentle, not quarrelsome, not a lover of money. <sup>4</sup>He must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, <sup>5</sup>for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God's church? <sup>6</sup>He must not be a recent convert, or he may become puffed up with conceit and fall into the condemnation of the devil. <sup>7</sup>Moreover, he must be well thought of by outsiders, so that he may not fall into disgrace, into a snare of the devil. <sup>8</sup>Deacons likewise must be dignified, not double-tongued, not addicted to much wine, not greedy for dishonest gain. <sup>9</sup>They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. <sup>10</sup>And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. <sup>11</sup>Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but soberminded, faithful in all things. <sup>12</sup>Let deacons each be the husband of one wife, managing their children and their own households well. <sup>13</sup>For those who serve well as deacons gain a good standing for themselves and also great confidence in the faith that is in Christ Jesus.

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 16:19-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 16<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

<sup>196</sup>There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup>And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup>The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup> and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup>And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.' 25But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup>And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' <sup>27</sup>And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— <sup>28</sup>for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' <sup>29</sup>But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' <sup>30</sup>And he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' 31He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead."

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

#### Sermon

# As Pants the Hart for Cooling Streams

Reclaim No. 240

#### **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 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**

**Abide with Me** (*vss. 1,2,4,5*)

Reclaim No. 62

#### **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 28	9:30am	Worship	
		10:30am	Fellowship/Sunday School	
Monday	September 29	10:00am	Morning Prayer	
Wednesday	October 1	Noon	Lectionary Bible Study	
		1:00pm	Women's Bible Study	
		2:00pm	Worship Committee	
		5:30pm	Choir Rehearsal	
		6:30pm	Adult Forum	
Thursday	October 2	9:00am	Men's Bible Study	
		11:30am	EEO Committee	
Sunday	October 5	9:30am	Worship	
		10:30am	Fellowship/Sunday School	
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# 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.



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



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.

- 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." *Refrain*
- 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." *Refrain*

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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.

**Choir rehearsals** begin again this Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm in the Fireside Room. New singers are welcome and needed! Come, make a joyful noise to the Lord with us!

Resurrection Lutheran Church will be doing a group pack for **Feeding Our Communities Partners** backpack program this Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm. 10 volunteers are needed for the hour-long session. A sign-up sheet for interested individuals can be found on the Welcome Center desk. Those who want to carpool to the FOCP location in North Mankato can meet at the church at 1:40pm, or Pastor Aaron will give you directions.

"The Table" Young Adults Group for college aged students will be starting again tonight at 6:30pm. We will meet at Mike and Vicki Youngerberg's home – 22 Restless Court in North Mankato.

Longtime Resurrection Lutheran Church members **Harvard and Karen Jaeck** are moving next month to Hancock, MN to be near their cherished family. In thanksgiving for all they've done for our faith family, a farewell fellowship will be held after worship next Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>.

Join Pastor Aaron for a new **3-week Adult Form series** as we dive into the rich significance of Lutheran worship. Together we'll look at the history of worship, our understanding of the Sacraments, why we use a liturgy, along with behind-the-scenes details on logistics and practice. Whether you're new to Lutheran worship or have been part of it your whole life, you'll find something meaningful. The series begins this Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm downstairs in the adult education classroom.

Birthdays this week: Tony Miller (2<sup>nd</sup>), Lee Young (3<sup>rd</sup>) and Barb Riessen (4<sup>th</sup>)

**Anniversaries this week:** Kevin and Sandy Leffel (4<sup>th</sup>)

# **Those Serving Today**

Pastor: Rev. Aaron L. DeutschKeyboardist: Kristin LitynskiReader: Karen JaeckUshers: Dave and Rebecca Blum

Greeters: Harvard and Karen Jaeck

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