

Resurrection Lutheran Church

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THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | Sunday, September 25, 2022

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you haven't already, please consider signing the friendship pad at the end of your pew.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Our service begins by invoking the name of the one who claimed us in Baptism. These opening sentences shift our attention away from ourselves and the distractions of the world onto the one whom we gather to hear from through His precious Word and Sacraments.

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: My heart is glad! My soul rejoices! For you, O God, have not abandon me.

C: You are at my right hand. You show me the path of life. Your presence brings me joy.

P: Come, bless the Lord, in whom we find our refuge and safety.

C: You are our God; all good things come from you alone.

P: Come, bless the Lord, who gives us a rich inheritance, and surrounds us with abundance.

C: You are our God; our lives are in your hands.

P: Come, bless the Lord, who guides us on the path to eternal life, whose presence strengthens and sustains us.

C: You are our God; we will not be shaken. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: Precious Lord, Take My Hand.....RECLAIM No. 206

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN

As an assembly of sinners, we come before God each Sunday morning to admit our faults, failures, and guilt. The word of absolution speaks the Gospel into our ears and assures that because of Christ's death at Calvary, every one of our sins is covered.

P: Beloved in the Lord, you know what was written about Jesus in Scripture: how he would suffer and die and then rise from the dead on the third day; how, through his death and

resurrection, the forgiveness of sins is real for all those who repent. So let us boldly approach God, trusting in his mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: Gracious God,

C: We daily fall short of your glory. We turn inward, ignoring the world around us. We forget that you have saved your people before and promise to do so again. Remember not the deeds of our past, but turn our faces toward the cross of Christ, where your forgiveness is sure, your welcome clear, and your love overflows. Amen.

P: Like a hen who gathers her chicks, God embraces you in his tender care. Like manna in the desert, God feeds you with his mercy. Like a loving Father, God runs to meet you this day. Hear the good news: our Lord Jesus Christ, by his death and resurrection, has forgiven our sins and raised us to new life in the Holy Spirit!

C: Amen!

THE HYMN OF GLORY

These words are a response to the gracious and steadfast mercy of God, who pours out his love on undeserving sinners. Together we lift our voices in a song of praise to the trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – for the gift of salvation and new life.



1. God, Fa - ther we will raise your name; we wor-ship and a - dore, We
2. Sing, "Glo - ry be to you, O Lord; to you, O Christ be praise. The
3. O glo - ry to the Fa - ther, Son, and Spi-rit ev - er be! God,



bless and praise and give our thanks; your mer - cy we im - plore.
lamb of love from hea'vn a - bove, re - dee - mer of our race.
bring your life a-midst our strife, and reign tri - umph - ant - ly.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray...

All: 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.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Amos 6:1-7 (ESV)

The Word of the Lord came to Israel and chided them for their feelings of superiority over other nations. Woe to those who make their beds in comfort, eat sumptuous meals and sit idly enjoying all the good things in life. 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!
²Pass 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, ³O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence? ⁴“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, ⁵who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, ⁶who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! ⁷Therefore 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 (ESV)

When we are happy in the Lord who is our hope and 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.

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!

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 3:1-10 (ESV)

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, personality, spiritual discernment and maturity, and honesty.

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

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1. O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on
high, O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O

Light of our dark sky: we praise you for the radiance that
 from the hal-lowed page, a lan - tern to our
 foot - steps, shines on from age to age.

GOSPEL READING: Luke 16:19-31 (ESV)

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

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹⁹“There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. ²²The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, ²³and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. ²⁴And 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. ²⁶And 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.’ ²⁷And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house— ²⁸for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ ³⁰And 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: The Good Life

HYMN OF THE DAY: Jesus, the Very Thought of You (*see back of the bulletin*)

OFFERING and OFFERING RESPONSE

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



1 We give thee but thine own, What - e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine a - lone, A trust, O Lord, from thee.

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: Be Not Afraid *(by Bob Dufford)*

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

SENDING HYMN: 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!

POSTLUDE

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Portions of today's service were written by Rev. Cathy Ammlung

THOSE SERVING TODAY

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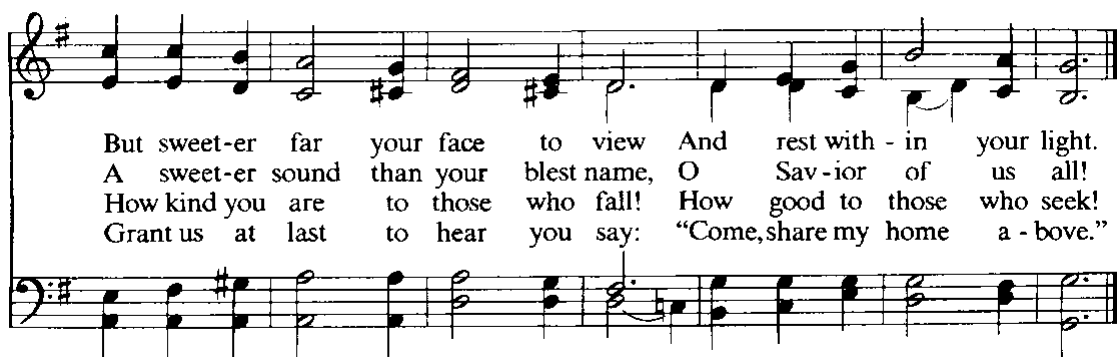
THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION LUTHERAN

Sunday	September 25	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
Monday	September 26	10:00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	September 28	Noon	Lectionary Lunch
		1:00pm	Women's Bible Study
		5:30pm	Choir
		6:30pm	Adult Bible Study
Thursday	September 29	8:00am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	October 2	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship

Jesus, the Very Thought of You



1 Je - sus, the ver - y thought of you Fills us with sweet de - light;
2 No voice can sing, no heart can frame, Nor can the mind re - call
3 O Hope of ev - 'ry con - trite soul, O Joy of all the meek,
4 O Je - sus, be our joy to - day; Help us to prize your love;



But sweet-er far your face to view And rest with - in your light.
A sweet-er sound than your blest name, O Sav - ior of us all!
How kind you are to those who fall! How good to those who seek!
Grant us at last to hear you say: "Come, share my home a - bove."

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.

Please join us during the fellowship hour after worship this morning to celebrate **Myrna Chamberlain**, the newest member of Resurrection Lutheran.

After taking last week off **Lectionary Lunch, Women's Bible Study, Choir and Adult Bible Study** return this Wednesday. Join us!

Committee reports for the **2021-2022 Annual Report** should be submitted to the Church office no later than Monday, October 10th.