

Resurrection Lutheran Church

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All Saints Sunday

Sunday, November 7, 2021

Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch, Pastor

On this, All Saints Sunday, we remember the lives of those faithful Christians who have gone before us unto death in the past year. The Scriptures offer us hope in the promise of Jesus' resurrection power in our lives. We look forward to seeing the Lamb of God face to face in that place where tears no longer exist. Christ is our comforter and King forever; his life is our life and we live to worship him.

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY LITANY

P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – who gives us life and all we need, redeems and calls us children of God; who grants and keeps us in the one true faith.

C: Amen.

P: Gracious God, you are to be praised for the women and men whose faithful witness to your love inspires each generation of your people:

C: For Abraham and Sarah, who believed your promise even when they were old and barren.

P: For the prophet Isaiah, who in a time marked by terror and uncertainty, proclaimed the coming Messiah.

C: For Ruth, whose loyalty to Naomi became a model of faithfulness for people of every time and place.

P: For Esther, who risked her life to save God's people.

C: For Paul, the Apostle of Christ, who preached the Gospel to Jews and Gentiles despite persecution, stoning, and betrayal.

P: For Mary Magdalene, and the women on Easter morning, who ran from the tomb crying out that Jesus was alive. With all of these brothers and sisters in the faith who make up the great cloud of witnesses surrounding us in our journey through this world, and in joyful expectation of the resurrection to eternal life, we remember also this day those from this faith family who have gone before us and now rest from their labors in Jesus Christ: Charlotte Meschke, Loren Clobes and Alice Schroeder.

Let us pray: God of salvation, we remember with thanksgiving all who have died in the hope of the resurrection. Surround them with the light of your presence. We give you thanks, for by his death our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed the power of death, and by his resurrection he opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because Christ lives we shall live also, and that neither death nor life, nor things present nor things to come, will be able to separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

↑ **GATHERING HYMN: For All the Saints (vss. 1,2,7 and 8).....RECLAIM No. 175**

↓ **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN**

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: 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 the newness of life.

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray...

All: Beloved God, in Christ you have drawn all your people into one, holy communion. Grant that as we remember the saints who have gone before us, we are strengthened for lives of faithful service to you so that the world will know your blessed presence. Bring us all at the last to the feast which has no end where all will be one; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FIRST READING: Revelation 7:9-17 (ESV)

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰and crying out with

a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." ¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. ¹⁵"Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. ¹⁶They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. ¹⁷For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-3 (ESV)

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 5:1-12 (ESV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 5th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

²And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied.

⁷“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON.....Rev. Julie Smith, LCMC Coordinator for Districts and Fellowships

↓ **HYMN OF THE DAY: I Know That My Redeemer Lives (vss. 1,2,7,8).....RECLAIM No. 274**

OFFERING and OFFERING RESPONSE

As ushers bring forward the offering, please stand to sing the Doxology:

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heav'nly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

↑ **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Each petition ends with the words *Lord, in your mercy*. Please respond by saying *Hear our prayer*.

THE INSTALLATION of REV. AARON L. DEUTSCH

↑ **THE NICENE CREED**

**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 catholic 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

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, for in the night of his betrayal...

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Kindly read the Communion Registration Card of our church's practices regarding Holy Communion. If partaking, please sign a card and place in the offering plate or give to an usher so our records are complete.

BENEDICTION

↓ **SENDING HYMN: Sent Forth by God's Blessing.....RECLAIM No. 58**

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

THOSE SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch

Keyboardist: Nikki Basel

Reader: Jim Lambert

Ushers: Ron and Susan Brooks

Greeters: Ron and Susan Brooks

Communion Set Up: Ron and Susan Brooks

Tech Team: Mike and Vicki Youngerberg

Evangelists/Outreach: Every member of Resurrection Lutheran

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THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION LUTHERAN

Sunday	Nov. 7	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship and Meal
Tuesday	Nov. 9	10:30am	Dementia Caregiver Support Group
		6:30pm	Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	Nov. 10	1:15pm	Women's Bible Study
		2:45pm	Worship Committee Meeting
Thursday	Nov. 11	8:00am	Man to Man Bible Study
Friday	Nov. 12	6:30pm	Movie Night in the Sanctuary
Sunday	Nov. 14	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Worship! Resurrection Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered and cross-focused member congregation of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ. If you brought your **cell phone** to Church this morning, please be sure to turn it off or put it in silent mode as you prepare for worship. A **nursery** is available, see an usher for details.

Please remember the following in individuals in your prayers: Ruth Davidson, Delores Fast, Marilyn Larson, Paul & Donna Bjur, Warren Beaty, Ted Glaser, Carol Volness, and Lee Young. Please also remember our **homebound members** and those living in **assisted living facilities:** Ione Benshoof, Deb Bjur, Dorothy Enfield, Arlene Harlow, Polly Marshall, and Betty Purrington.

New **Church Council** officers have been elected: Michal Clobes – President, Jim Lambert – Vice President, Mike Youngerberg – Secretary, and Harvard Jaeck – Treasurer. Please thank these individuals for their leadership within the congregation.

This morning we welcome **Rev. Julie Smith** to Resurrection Lutheran. She will preach this morning's sermon and install Pastor Aaron as our new full time Pastor. Julie is on the nation-wide staff of LCMC, serving as the Coordinator for Districts and Fellowships.

Please join us this morning following worship for a **catered meal** in the downstairs fellowship hall as we celebrate Pastor Aaron's installation.

The **Gentle Shepherd Ministries** Fall Banquet will be held this Friday, November 12th at 7:00pm at the AmericInn Event Center – 240 Stadium Road, Mankato.

Man to Man Bible Study will begin meeting again this Thursday, November 11th at 8:00am in the Conference Room here at Church.

Resurrection Lutheran will be hosting a **movie night** in the Sanctuary this coming Friday at 6:30pm. We will be viewing *Amazing Grace*, a biographical drama film about the campaign against the slave trade in the British Empire. The film also recounts the experiences of John Newton as a crewman on a slave ship and subsequent religious conversion, which inspired his writing of the poem later used in the hymn. Invite a friend and join us!

Pastor Aaron wants to meet you! Would you be willing to join our new Pastor for coffee or lunch? He is available Monday-Thursday at 9am, noon or 2pm. A sign-up sheet for the next 2 weeks can be found in the narthex. You may invite him over to your home or meet him at your favorite coffee shop or restaurant! Are these times inconvenient for you? Give Pastor Aaron a call to schedule an alternative time.