



Reformation Sunday

October 26, 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: Sovereign God, we pray for the Holy Spirit to continue to reform the church of Christ. Keep it in the true faith, restore, correct, and inspire its teachings, and embolden it to bear witness to the life-giving message of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Reclaim No. 169

Confession and Forgiveness of Sin

P: Brothers and sisters in Christ, as we gather for worship, let us first call to mind our faults and failings. We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden, to ask for his forgiveness and peace. Trusting, therefore, in God's promise of forgiveness, let us confess our sins against God and one another:

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: Eternal God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. Forgive all our offenses, known and unknown, things done and things we have failed to do. Cleanse us from the power of sin by your Holy and life-giving Word. By your grace, draw us near to you, our refuge and our strength; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit given to us in Baptism. In the mercy of Almighty God, Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Hear the good news of the Gospel: in Christ's name, your sins are forgiven.

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 | Revelation 14:6-7

John described from his apocalyptic vision an angel who flew overhead and delivered a message to the inhabitants of the earth. "Give God the glory!" was the basis of the news that was directed at every tribe and nation.

"Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

R: The Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God!

Responsive Reading | Psalm 46

Even in the midst of calamity, the psalmist asserted, it is God who is a very present help in times of troubles. God is in the center of all life and is the protection for his people. He is a fortress and ruler of all that is.

R: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

C: Therefore we will not fear though the earth give way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

R: though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

C: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

R: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

C: The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

R: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

C: Come, behold the works of the Lord, how he has brought desolations on the earth.

R: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.

C: “Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!”

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Second Reading | Romans 3:19-28

Paul explained to the Romans that those who are held under the law will be judged by the law as the law points to sin. But those who believe in Christ are justified, made right with God, by grace through faith. All this is done apart from the law, for the law kills, but the Gospel saves.

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin. ²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it — ²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. ²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

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 | John 8:31-36

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 8th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” ³³They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that

you say, ‘You will become free?’” ³⁴Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Sermon

In Christ Alone

Reclaim No. 215

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

Christ the Eternal Lord

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Dismissal

P: Go in peace, loving and serving in the name of our crucified and risen Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

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Those Serving Today

Pastor: Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch	Keyboardist: Nikki Basel
Reader: Mike Youngerberg	Ushers: Daryl and Rita Schoemaker
Greeters: Don Peterson	
Tech Team: Doug Krahmer, Mike Youngerberg, Vicki Youngerberg and Nancy Heinze	

This Week at Resurrection Lutheran

Sunday	October 26	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	2025 Annual Meeting
Wednesday	October 29	5:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	November 2	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	WOW Meeting
		10:30am	Fellowship/Sunday School

Christ the Eternal Lord



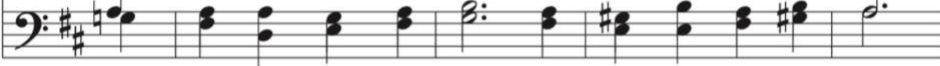
1 Christ the e - ter - nal Lord, whose prom - ise here we claim,
 2 Christ the un - chang - ing Word to ev - 'ry pass - ing age,
 3 Christ the re - deem - ing Son who shares our hu - man birth,
 4 Christ the un - fad - ing Light of ev - er - last - ing day,




whose gifts of grace are free - ly poured on all who name your name;
 whose time - less teach - ings still are heard set forth on Scrip - ture's page;
 and by his death sal - va - tion won for ev - 'ry child of earth;
 our Morn - ing Star in splen - dor bright, the Life, the Truth, the Way;




with thank - ful - ness and praise we stand be - fore your throne,
 trans - form our thought and mind, en - light - en all who read,
 in - spire our hearts, we pray, to tell your love a - broad,
 that light of truth you give to ser - vants as to friends,




in - tent to serve you all our days and make your glo - ry known.
 with - in your Word by faith to find the bread of life in - deed.
 that all may hon - or Christ to - day and fol - low him as Lord.
 your way to walk, your life to live, till earth's brief jour - ney ends.



Text: Timothy Dudley-Smith, b. 1926

Tune: George J. Elvey, 1816–1893; setting: *Service Book and Hymnal*, 1958

DIADEMATA
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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.

Resurrection Lutheran's **2025 Annual Meeting** will be held following worship this morning. A brief time of fellowship will be held in the narthex in-between the end of our service and the beginning of the meeting.

Pastor Aaron will continue to be **out of the office** this week following the birth of his third child this last Wednesday. However, please feel free to reach out to him should you experience a pastoral care emergency. With the exception of choir rehearsal on Wednesday evening, activities at RLC this week are postponed.

All Saints Sunday worship is coming up next Sunday, November 2nd. During worship we will remember those near and dear to us who have died in the past year and now rest from their labors in the blessed peace of heaven. If you would like to add a name to the All Saints Sunday litany please call, text or email Pastor Aaron.

The **women of RLC** will meet after worship next Sunday, November 2nd to discuss upcoming activities and take ownership of the numerous tasks previously handled by Karen Jaeck. Please prayerfully consider how you might be a blessing to the women's ministry and congregation.

Gentle Shepherd Ministries invites you to join them for their annual Fall Banquet on Tuesday, November 11th from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at Grace Baptist Church – 600 Lind Street in Mankato. Soup, salad, breadsticks and desserts will be served, you will hear annual updates on Gentle Shepherd senior and jail ministries, enjoy special music, listen to testimonies on how God is at work, and learn about opportunities to make a difference. To register for this free event, RSVP to gsm@infaith.org or call 507-327-1480.

A Word of Thanks: *"In our time of striving to make this a place to call home we look back to our times with you and the wonderful and caring send-off you prepared for us. Thank you for thinking of us in such a special way. We are not gone completely, and you will see us now and then. Most certainly, you are in our prayers. We trust the Lord to take care of us as we all serve Him in ways prepared for us here and for you at RLC."* - In His Love, Harvard & Karen Jaeck

Birthdays this week: Eric Litynski (28th), Erika Pierson (28th), and Charles Bye (30th)

Anniversaries this week: Gene & Vivian Ziegler (Today) and Dave & Rebecca Blum (28th)