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THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | Sunday, November 12, 2023

PRELUDE

WELCOME *and* ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE INVOCATION *and* GATHERING PRAYER

P: We gather under the sign of the cross, and 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: God of light and life, through your most Holy Spirit, illumine our lives with your grace so that we may be ready for the coming of your Son. Grant that we may bear the light of your love to the world in need, that all may know of your justice and mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: *Rejoice, All Ye Believers* (bulletin page 8)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN

P: The psalmist writes: "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the path everlasting." We cannot come before God unless we are first honest with ourselves about the mistakes we make. In this spirit, let us offer our prayers to God:

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: Gracious God,

C: Our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name and what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past that we cannot change and grant us grace to grow more and more into your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

P: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish, but have eternal life. It is true that we have sinned. But it is a greater truth that we are forgiven through God's love in Jesus Christ. To all who humbly seek the mercy of God He says, "your sins are forgiven."

C: Amen!

THE HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

The musical score is written for Soprano (S) and Alto (A) voices. It consists of five staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one flat (B-flat), and a 6/8 time signature. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). The lyrics are: Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Lord God of

The second staff continues the melody: D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter), B3 (quarter), A3 (quarter), G3 (quarter), F3 (quarter), E3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), C3 (half). The lyrics are: hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

The third staff has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. It features two parts: a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). The lyrics are: san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

The fourth staff continues the vocal line: D4 (quarter), C4 (quarter), B3 (quarter), A3 (quarter), G3 (quarter), F3 (quarter), E3 (quarter), D3 (quarter), C3 (half). The lyrics are: in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

The fifth staff continues the vocal line: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), C4 (half). The lyrics are: high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Amos 5:18-24

The prophet Amos conveyed God's anger toward his people for their empty sacrifices and meaningless worship. He called them to act with justice rather than to offer vain gifts. True peace comes not from solemn assemblies but from serving faithfully in the name of God.

¹⁸Woe to you who desire the day of the Lord! Why would you have the day of the Lord? It is darkness, and not light, ¹⁹as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him, or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall, and a serpent bit him. ²⁰Is not the day of the Lord darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? ²¹"I hate, I despise your feasts, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. ²²Even though you offer me your

burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them. ²³Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen. ²⁴But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 70

The psalmist cried out to God for deliverance from his enemies. He called the Lord his help and his deliverer, the one who saves his life.

R: Make haste, O God, to deliver me! O Lord, make haste to help me!

C: Let them be put to shame and confusion who seek my life! Let them be turned back and brought to dishonor who delight in my hurt!

R: Let them turn back because of their shame who say, "Aha, Aha!"

C: May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you! May those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"

R: But I am poor and needy; hasten to me, O God! You are my help and my deliverer; O Lord, do not delay!

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Met with questions about the return of Jesus and the final resurrection of the dead, St. Paul encouraged the Thessalonians not to fear. When Christ comes again, those who are dead will be raised first, followed by those who are alive. Do not grieve, he told them, as those who have no hope.

¹³But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal -
- le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le -
lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25:1-13

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 25th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ⁷Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ ¹⁰And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. ¹¹Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ ¹²But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ ¹³Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON: Will There Be Enough?

HYMN OF THE DAY: Be Thou My Vision.....RECLAIM No. 230

OFFERING PRESENTATION

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



Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up - on your ta - ble.
Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be - fore you.



We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.
Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

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."

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.

CHORAL BENEDICTION: Light of Grace (arr. Andy Beck)

*May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back.
'Til we meet again, 'til we meet again, may the sun shine warm upon your face,
And may you always be the light of grace.*

*May your joys be bright as morning, and your hope as boundless as the sky.
'Til we meet again, 'til we meet again, may the sun shine warm upon your face,
And may you always be the light of grace.*

*May you find a rainbow when clouds have gone, and a shooting star to wish upon.
'Til we meet again, 'til we meet again, may the sun shine warm upon your face,
And may you always be the light of grace.*

SENDING HYMN: Christ Is Our Cornerstone *(back of the bulletin)*

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: Karen McGregor

Ushers: Don Peterson and Kevin Leffel

Greeters: Victor and Helen Kurth

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION LUTHERAN

Sunday	November 12	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
Monday	November 13	10:00am	Morning Prayer
		3:30pm	FOCP Food Packing Project
Tuesday	November 14	6:00pm	Church Council
Wednesday	November 15	Noon	Lectionary Lunch
		1:00pm	Women's Bible Study
		5:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
		6:30pm	Adult Forum
Thursday	November 16	8:00am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	November 19	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship

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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. 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.

Portals of Prayer has been a favorite of generations of readers since 1937. Portals of Prayer is a publication of the Lutheran focused Concordia Publishing House. If you would like to start receiving this quarterly devotional beginning in January, please sign-up on the Welcome Center desk. The yearly subscription cost will depend on how many sign up in order to qualify for a bulk order, but it should range between \$10-\$15 dollars for the year.

Kinship Radio is celebrating their 40th Anniversary and would like to invite you to join them for a fun night of sundaes and great comedy by **The Skit Guys!** On Friday, November 17th, KJLY will be at Hosanna Lutheran in Mankato with the doors open at 6pm for make your own sundaes followed by the Skit Guys performance at 7pm. There is no cost for this event.

Thanksgiving Eve worship will be held at 6:30pm on Wednesday, November 22nd at Epiphany Lutheran Church (605 Parkway Avenue) in Eagle Lake. Together we will gather to give thanks and praise to the living Lord for his benevolent mercy and goodness. Pastor Sarah Deutsch (Pastor Aaron's wife) will preach, and Pastor Aaron will assist with liturgy. Next year, Thanksgiving Eve worship will be hosted here at Resurrection Lutheran.

Plants: If you love plants and would like to team up in caring for the many plants here in our Church facility, especially during the Winter season, please talk with Karen Jaeck.

Women of the Word is now collecting items for the **Christmas treat bags** we give to our 7 homebound members. There is a list of suggested items on the WOW bulletin board. It might be helpful and more fun to team up with someone. Kindly place your items in the WOW basket in the narthex. Contact Karen Jaeck with questions.

Resurrection Lutheran will be hosting a **Christmas Banquet** on Friday, December 8, 2023. Social hour will begin at 5:30pm with a banquet meal being served at 6:00pm. Sign-up in the narthex and indicate how many seats you would like reserved. A free-will donation will be taken the night of the event. Invite your family, friends and neighbors!

Birthdays this week: Sue Mayer (18th)

Rejoice, All Ye Believers

Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him! Matt. 25:6

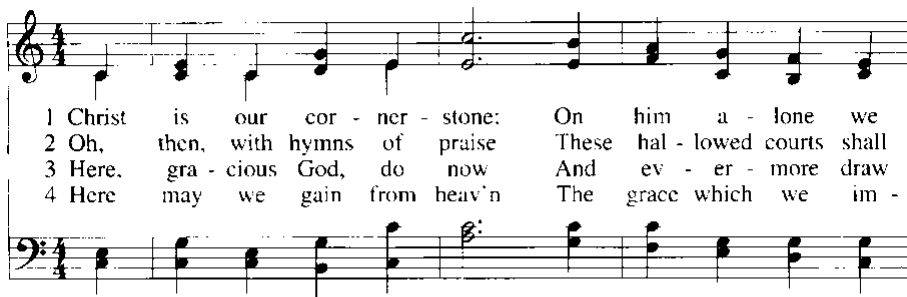
1. Re - joice, all ye be - liev - ers, and let your lights ap - pear;
2. See that your lamps are burn - ing; re - plen - ish them with oil;
3. Ye saints, who here in pa - tience your cross and suf - f'nings bore,
4. Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;

the eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, and dark - er night is near:
and wait for your sal - va - tion, the end of earth - ly toil.
shall live and reign for - ev - er, when sor - row is no more:
a - rise, thou sun so longed for, o'er this be - night - ed sphere.

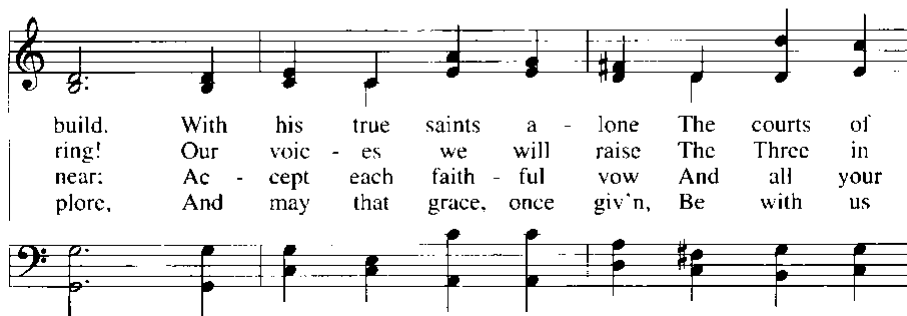
the Bride - groom is a - ris - ing, and soon he draw - eth nigh;
The watch - ers on the moun - tain pro - claim the Bride - groom near;
a - round the throne of glo - ry the Lamb ye shall be - hold,
With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, we plead, O Lord, to see

up, pray, and watch, and wres - tle: at mid - night comes the cry.
go meet him as he com - eth, with al - le - lu - ias clear.
in tri - umph cast be - fore him your di - a - dems of gold.
the day of earth's re - demp - tion that brings us un - to thee.

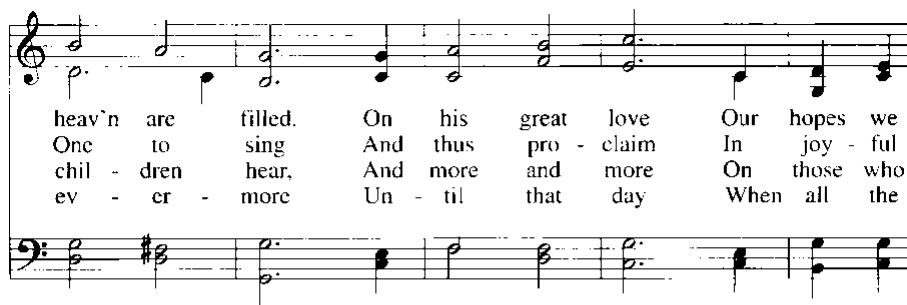
Christ Is Our Cornerstone



1 Christ is our cor - ner - stone: On him a - lone we
 2 Oh, then, with hymns of praise These hal - lowed courts shall
 3 Here, gra - cious God, do now And ev - er - more draw
 4 Here may we gain from heav'n The grace which we im -



build. With his true saints a - lone The courts of
 ring! Our voic - es we will raise The Three in
 near: Ac - cept each faith - ful vow And all your
 plore, And may that grace, once giv'n, Be with us



heav'n are filled. On his great love Our hopes we
 One to sing And thus pro - claim In joy - ful
 chil - dren hear, And more and more On those who
 ev - er - more Un - til that day When all the



place Of pres - ent grace And joys a - bove.
 song, Both loud and long, That glo - rious name.
 pray Each ho - ly day Your bless - ing pour.
 blest To end - less rest Are called a - way!

Text: Latin hymn, c. 8th century; abr.: tr. John Chandler, 1806-76, alt.
 Tune: John Darwall, 1731-89

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