

Resurrection Lutheran Church

New Life in the Living Word + For Now + Forever

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THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT | Sunday, March 6, 2022

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

GATHERING HYMN: The Glory of These Forty Days *(see bulletin insert)*

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN

Our service begins by invoking the name of the one who claimed us in Baptism. 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: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Friends in Christ, our heavenly Father has called us to be His people, leading us to green pastures and still waters. Yet, there are times when we have wronged our fellow sheep and wandered from our Shepherd. But we are not abandoned. Trusting in the goodness of our God and the renewing power of the Holy Spirit within us, let us tell the whole truth about ourselves, confess our sins, and seek God's ceaseless mercy.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: Loving and forgiving God,

C: We confess that we are held captive by the power of sin and have gone astray. We have not welcomed the stranger and outsider. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not been Christ to one another. Restore us, O God. Wake us up and turn us from our sin. Renew us each day in the light of Christ. Amen.

P: People of God, hear this glad news: Jesus Christ has come so that you might have new and abundant life. In his name and by his authority alone, I forgive you all your sins. May

you be strengthened in God's love, comforted by Christ's peace, and accompanied with the power of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen! Thanks be to God!

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. To you a-lone God's on - ly Son, the lamb of
2. Who takes a-way the sins of all, have mer - cy
3. For you a-lone the ho - ly one, and you a -



G - od the cho - sen one; to you a - lone our
Lo - rd and hear our call; who sits at God's right
lone the wor - thy one; with God the spi - rit



heav'n - ly King, the mor - tals and the an - gels sing.
hand on high, have mer - cy Lord and hear our cry.
e - ver near, oh keep us, Lord from guilt and fear.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Deuteronomy 26:1-11 (ESV)

The Israelites are given instructions for a response to God's generosity: returning the first fruits of the harvest, bearing witness to God's mighty acts, and sharing a celebration of thanksgiving for the bounty God provided. Anything we give is simply a giving back of what is God's.

¹“When you come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you for an inheritance and have taken possession of it and live in it, ²you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from your land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket, and you shall go to the place that the Lord your God will choose, to make his name to dwell there. ³And you shall go to the priest who is in office at that

time and say to him, 'I declare today to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our fathers to give us.' ⁴Then the priest shall take the basket from your hand and set it down before the altar of the Lord your God. ⁵"And you shall make response before the Lord your God, 'A wandering Aramean was my father. And he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. ⁶And the Egyptians treated us harshly and humiliated us and laid on us hard labor. ⁷Then we cried to the Lord, the God of our fathers, and the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. ⁸And the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with great deeds of terror, with signs and wonders. ⁹And he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰And behold, now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground, which you, O Lord, have given me.' And you shall set it down before the Lord your God and worship before the Lord your God. ¹¹And you shall rejoice in all the good that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house, you, and the Levite, and the sojourner who is among you.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 91:1-13 (ESV)

This psalm is a declaration of the sanctuary that God's people will find by dwelling in him. God will be our fortress, protecting us from all danger and providing refuge under his wing.

R: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

C: I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

R: For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.

C: He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

R: You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day,

C: nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or destruction that wastes at noonday.

R: A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.

C: You will only look with your eyes and see the recompense of the wicked.

R: Because you have made the Lord your dwelling place— the Most High, who is my refuge—

C: no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.

R: For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

C: On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.

R: You will tread on the lion and the adder; the young lion and the serpent you will trample underfoot.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING: Romans 10:8b-13 (ESV)

Paul declared God's promise to the church in Rome: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. God's Word is not something distant, unattainable, or incomprehensible. Rather, God's Word is near to us, it is on our lips and in our hearts.

⁸But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. ¹¹For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING: Luke 4:1-13 (ESV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 4th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness ²for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry. ³The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." ⁴And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'" ⁵And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, ⁶and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." ⁸And Jesus answered him, "It is written, "'You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.'" ⁹And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written, "'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,' ¹¹and "'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'" ¹²And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the

Lord your God to the test.”¹³ And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: Day by Day.....**RECLAIM No. 210**

OFFERING and OFFERING RESPONSE

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

*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*

THE NICENE CREED.....**RECLAIM No. 189**

Having heard the Word of God, we respond with these words. By confessing one of the Church's most ancient and historic creeds, we express our unity in the faith; the same faith the universal body of Christ has confessed throughout countless generations of believers.

CHOIR ANTHEM: Amazing Grace (Arr: Kenneth Staton)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to you, O Lord, Holy Father, for in the night of his betrayal...

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE HYMN OF TRIUMPH

With the company of all heaven and earth we join the angel choir in the ongoing and eternal worship of the Lamb Jesus who was slain and now comes to join our meal of bread and wine with his body and blood, forgiveness and grace, peace and love.



1. This is the feast of vic - to - ry We share with him
2. Wor - thy is Christ who has been slain; whose blood has set



who set us free Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu - ia!
us free a - gain. Al - le - lu - ia Al - le - lu - ia!



The lamb of God who once was slain. A - rose and now
Then sings with all the hosts of Light with blessings, ho -



gives life a - gain. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
nor, pow'r and might. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia

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

All who are baptized, have been instructed properly, and trust God's Word are welcome to communion, where our Lord is truly present, offering his gifts of forgiveness and eternal life. If partaking in the Lord's Supper, please indicate this on the friendship pad at the end of your pew so our records are complete.

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN: A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (vss. 1,2,4).....RECLAIM No. 169

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: Helen Meschke

Ushers: Brad Matthes and Don Peterson

Greeters: Ron and Susan Brooks

Tech Team: Mike and Vicki Youngerberg

Communion Set-Up: Tony and Becky Miller

Communion Assistants: Michal Clobes and Vicki Youngerberg

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION LUTHERAN

Sunday	Mar. 6	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
Monday	Mar. 7	10:00am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	Mar. 8	11:00am	E/E/O Meeting
		6:00pm	Church Council
Wednesday	Mar. 9	Noon	Lectionary Lunch
		3:00pm	Worship Assistants Meeting
		5:30pm	Choir Rehearsal
		6:15pm	Midweek Lenten Soup
		7:00pm	Midweek Lenten Worship
Thursday	Mar. 10	8:00am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	Mar. 13	9:30am	Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Worship! Resurrection Lutheran Church is a Christ-centered and cross-focused member congregation of Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ.

Friendship Pad: Members and visitors are encouraged to sign the friendship pad at the end of your pew before the service begins or during announcements. This allows us to fully appreciate those with us in worship and better connect with our guests.

Please remember the following in your prayers: Paul & Donna Bjur and Ted Glaser. Please also remember our **homebound members** and those living in **assisted living facilities:** Lone Benshoof, Deb Bjur, Dorothy Enfield, Arlene Harlow, Polly Marshall, Ruth Davidson, Marlene Kunard and Betty Purrington.

Midweek Lenten worship services will be held in conjunction with a soup supper beginning this Wednesday, March 9th. Soup supper will be served in the fellowship hall beginning at 6:15pm with a brief, informal worship service to follow right in the fellowship hall at 7:00pm. Are you interested in bringing soup or bread for these meals? A sign-up sheet can be found on the welcome center desk.

Worship Assistants Meeting: Current ushers, greeters and communion assistants, as well as those interested in helping in these capacities, are asked to gather for an informational meeting this Wednesday, March 9th at 3:00pm in the Church Sanctuary. We will be discussing a new rotating schedule as well as the list of duties for each of these positions.

Active and voting members of Resurrection Lutheran Church are encouraged to attend a **congregational meeting** following worship next Sunday, March 13, 2022. Repairs to our building, particularly the roof and south side windows of the Church, will be discussed. Please make plans to attend.

Kinship Radio presents our 13th Annual **“A Day for Women”** on Saturday, April 9th at Hosanna Lutheran Church in Mankato. This year’s special guest is Sharon Hodde Miller, author of *Nice: Why We Love to Be Liked and How God Calls Us To Be More*, blogger, mother and wife. We are also welcoming back local favorite Tina Haroldson as our special speaker! There will be music, ministry, lunch, and mini-sessions. Space is limited so call 507-526-3233 or go online to KinshipRadio.org to register.

