Resurrection Lutheran Church

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THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY | Sunday, January 15, 2023

PRELUDE

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

GATHERING HYMN: In Christ Called to Baptize (see back of the bulletin)

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN

P: We gather in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

P: Called and gathered together by the Holy Spirit, let us come humbly before God and our brothers and sisters in the faith, confessing our sins, known and unknown, trusting in God's gracious word of forgiveness. Our merciful father, who brings life out of death and transforms us into new creatures through his redeeming word, knows the depths of our hearts. Let us make a confession of our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination

P: Lord Jesus, Risen Savior,

C: We come to you in sorrow for our faults and confess to you our weakness and unbelief. Although in Christ our light has come, we too often prefer the darkness of sin. Forgive us, fill us with your Spirit and free us from the shackles of our failings. Give us once again the joy of your salvation and make us instruments of peace and love in the world. Amen. P: Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glorious mercy of the Lord shines around you. In the name and by the authority of your Savior, Jesus Christ, I announce the forgiveness of all your sins. May the Holy Spirit strengthen your faith, heal your troubled spirit, and equip you to proclaim the greatness of the Lord until the day he comes again.

C: Amen! Thanks be to God!

THE HYMN OF GLORY



CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Isaiah 49:1-7 (ESV)

Isaiah recounted Israel's privileged calling as God's servant. Israel is God's "weapon" to bring faith to an unbelieving world. In fact, through God's faithfulness, the servant who was once despised will be a light to all nations, bringing God's salvation to the ends of the earth.

¹Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar. The Lord called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name. ²He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. ³And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." ⁴But I said, "I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the Lord, and my recompense with my God." ⁵And now the Lord says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him— for I am honored in the eyes of the Lord, and my God has become my strength— ⁶he says: "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." ⁷Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers: "Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they

shall prostrate themselves; because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 40:1-11 (ESV)

Blessed is he who trusts in the Lord, who is patient, loves to do God's will, and faithfully proclaims the steadfast goodness and faithfulness of God.

R: I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

C: He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

R: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear,

C: Blessed is the man who makes the Lord his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!

R: You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.

C: In sacrifice and offering you have not delighted, but you have given me an open ear. Burnt offering and sin offering you have not required.

R: Then I said, "Behold, I have come; in the scroll of the book it is written of me:

C: I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart."

R: I have told the glad news of deliverance in the great congregation; behold, I have not restrained my lips, as you know, O Lord.

C: I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation; I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness from the great congregation.

R: As for you, O Lord, you will not restrain your mercy from me; your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me!

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (ESV)

Paul began his letter to the church in Corinth with an expression of thankfulness for the testimony of Christ confirmed among them, and a prayer that Christ would sustain them until his return. Those who have been called saints of Christ will not be lacking in any spiritual gift.

¹Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, ²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: ³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— ⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— ⁷so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

GOSPEL READING: John 1:35-41 (ESV)

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint John, the 1st Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

³⁵The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, ³⁶and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" ³⁷The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. ³⁸Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, "What are you seeking?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" ³⁹He said to them, "Come and you will see." So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. ⁴⁰One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. ⁴¹He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ).

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON: Jesus, the Lamb

HYMN: Lamb of God Most Holy......RECLAIM No. 148

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

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 through song.

Please join in singing RECLAIM No. 189

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.

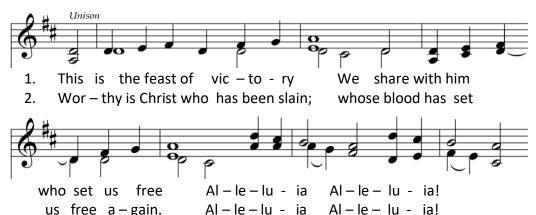
P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

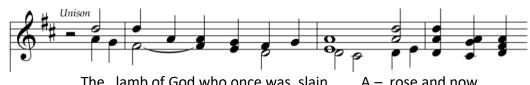
C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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





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





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 present, offering his gifts of forgiveness and life. If partaking in the Lord's Supper, please indicate this on the friendship pad at the end of your pew.

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN: I Love to Tell the Story......RECLAIM No. 265

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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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.

Tithes and Offerings: Thank-you for your generous financial gifts to further the mission of Resurrection Lutheran Church. An offering plate is located in the narthex.

Choir rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, February 1st at 5:30pm in the Sanctuary. New faces are always welcome to join in our music making!

The Life of Luther: Beginning Wednesday, February 1st at 6:30pm Pastor Aaron will begin a 3-week Adult Forum series on the life of Martin Luther. Join us and trace the life of this profound theologian and Pastor, who led a movement that gave birth to the Lutheran Church.

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THOSE SERVING TODAY

Pastor: Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch Keyboardist: Kristen Litynski

Reader: Pat McGregor

Ushers: Brad Matthes and Don Peterson

Greeters: Victor & Helen Kurth

Communion Set Up: Bob & Meridel Kellogg

Communion Assistants: Carol Severson and Sharon Litynski

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION LUTHERAN

Sunday	January 15	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
Monday	January 16	10:00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	January 18	Noon	Lectionary Lunch
		1:00pm	Women's Bible Study
Thursday	January 19	8:00am	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	January 22	9:30am	Worship

In Christ Called to Baptize



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