

# Resurrection Lutheran Church

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## The Baptism of Our Lord

Sunday, January 9, 2022

*Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch, Pastor*

## WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

### INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

↑ **GATHERING HYMN: Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty**.....**RECLAIM No. 46**

### ↓ CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SIN

P: The prophet Daniel declares: "To the Lord our God belongs mercy and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by walking in his ways, which he set before us by the prophets." And yet, in Christ, all obstacles between us and God have been removed. If death no longer stands in our way, our sin does not either. Let us confess our sins, that they may be washed away by God's mercy.

*Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination*

P: God of the promise,

**C: We confess that we have turned from you, knowingly and unknowingly. We have wandered from your will and your ways. We have strayed from your love for all people. Turn us back to you, O God. Give us new hearts and right spirits, that we may find what is pleasing to you and dwell in your house forever. Amen.**

P: Hear the good news: by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God. The risen Christ is the Savior of all. God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. In the name of Jesus Christ, the entirety of your sins are forgiven!

**C: Amen! Thanks be to God!**

### THE KYRIE AND HYMN OF GLORY

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God our Father, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 3/4 time. The first staff has four measures with lyrics: "Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy." Above the notes are chord symbols: Am, Dm, E, and Am. The second staff has four measures with lyrics: "Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy." Above the notes are chord symbols: Am, Dm, E, and Am. The music consists of a simple melody with chords.

P: Glory be to God on high and on earth peace, good will to all.

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Glory be to God on high". It consists of four staves of music in the key of D major (one sharp). The lyrics are written below the notes, and guitar chords are indicated above the staff. The chords are: D, G/D, D, D, A/D, D, G, D/F#, Em, A7, D, D, G, D, D, A, D, A, D, G, D/F#, Em, A, A7, D.

1 Lord, we praise your name on high, wor - ship you and glo - ri - fy.  
2 You have borne the sins of all. Mer - cy, Lord, and hear our call.  
3 You, a - lone, the Ho - ly One, You, a - lone, God's on - ly Son,  
To the Lamb of God we cry and join the an - gel's song.  
Ev - 'ry - one, both great and small, come join the an - gel's song.  
In your name we've just be - gun to join the an - gel's song.  
Glo - ri - a! Let the mu - sic flow. Glo - ri - a! To the earth be - low.  
Glo - ri - a! Feel our hearts a - glow with the joy - ful an - gel's song.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray...

**All: Heavenly Father, bring to your children, born of water and the Spirit, that righteousness which can only come through your Son, Jesus. Having been overwhelmed by grace help us to see ourselves and others as beloved ones created in your image; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

## FIRST READING: **Isaiah 43:1-7 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup>But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. <sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. <sup>3</sup>For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. <sup>4</sup>Because you are precious in my

eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. <sup>5</sup>Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you. <sup>6</sup>I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, <sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

R: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 29 (ESV)**

R: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**C: Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness.**

R: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord, over many waters.

**C: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is full of majesty.**

R: The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

**C: He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

R: The voice of the Lord flashes forth flames of fire.

**C: The voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

R: The voice of the Lord makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare, and in his temple all cry, “Glory!”

**C: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.**

R: May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord bless his people with peace!

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**SECOND READING: Romans 6:1-11 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup>What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? <sup>4</sup>We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. <sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. <sup>7</sup>For one who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with

him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God!**

↑ **THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Hal-le - lu! Hal - le - lu - ia! Give praise to the Lord for the  
 bless - ings of heav - en in God's ho - ly Word. For the  
 words of for - give - ness, the words that en - dure, (hal - le -  
 lu! hal - le - lu - jah!) give praise to the Lord.

**GOSPEL READING: Luke 3:15-22 (ESV)**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

<sup>15</sup>As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." <sup>18</sup>So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup>But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, <sup>20</sup>added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison. <sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus

also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

**C: Praise to you, O Christ!**

## **SERMON**

↓ **HYMN OF THE DAY: Borning Cry.....RECLAIM No. 73**

## **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*

## ↑ **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**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*. Please 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.**

## **BENEDICTION**

↓ **SENDING HYMN: Go, My Children.....RECLAIM No. 53**

**DISMISSAL**

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

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

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**THOSE SERVING TODAY**

**Pastor:** Rev. Aaron L. Deutsch

**Keyboardist:** Nikki Basel

**Reader:** Karen McGregor

**Ushers:** Dave and Rebecca Blum

**Greeters:** Bob and Meridel Kellog

**Tech Team:** Mike and Vicki Youngerberg

**Ministers:** Every member of Resurrection Lutheran

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**THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION LUTHERAN**

Sunday	Jan. 9	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
Tuesday	Jan. 11	6:00pm	Church Council
Sunday	Jan. 16	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.

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

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

The Evangelism and Outreach team will be sponsoring another **Movie Night** on Friday, January 21st at 6:30pm. We will be showing *"Facing the Giants"*, an action-packed drama about a Christian high school football coach who uses his undying faith to battle the giants of fear and failure.

**The Resurrection Lutheran Church Choir is returning!** Rehearsals are slated to begin in February. Are you interested in joining? An informational meeting will be held following worship next Sunday, January 16th. Our rehearsal and performance schedule will be discussed.

Pastor Aaron will be **out of the office** most of this week as he and Sarah bond and spend time with the newest addition to their family. However, if a pastoral care emergency arises, please do not hesitate to call him. Pastor Aaron will continue to take phone calls, reply to emails, and work when he has time while at home.

**Women's Bible Study** will be returning next week, Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:15pm in the fireside room!

There are a variety of **grief resource books** out on the welcome center desk. If you or someone you know need encouraging words or uplifting messages to help them through difficult life circumstances, feel free to stop by and take a title home with you. When you are finished, please return these resources back to the welcome center desk as others may be waiting to enjoy them.