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THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | Sunday, August 20, 2023

PRELUDE

Please consider signing the friendship pad at the end of your pew

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: Gracious God, you welcome all who cry out to you, and no one is beyond the reach of your mercy. Through our gathering around Word and sacrament, strengthen us to be living signs of your healing and mercy so that all may know your glory and grace; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN: Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (vss. 1,3,4).....RECLAIM No. 14

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

We sing a hymn of praise to God as a response to the proclamation of forgiveness

The musical score is written for a single voice part in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of five staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est." The score includes dynamic markings such as *S, A*, *div.*, and *unis.* and various musical notations like notes, rests, and bar lines.

S, A
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, Lord God of
hosts. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
div. *unis.*
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div.
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

FIRST READING: Isaiah 56:1,6-8

The prophet spoke the word of the Lord, saying that God's house is to be a house of prayer. This meant that those who followed the Lord's commands would be blessed; their offerings would be considered acceptable.

¹Thus says the Lord: "Keep justice, and do righteousness, for soon my salvation will come, and my righteousness be revealed. ⁶"And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, everyone who keeps the Sabbath and does not profane it, and holds fast my covenant— ⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." ⁸The Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, declares, "I will gather yet others to him besides those already gathered."

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSIVE READING: Psalm 67

The psalmist asked the Lord to bless the nations and to let his holiness shine on them as he provided a good harvest and judged the people as righteous.

R: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

C: that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

R: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

C: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

R: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

C: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

R: God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

R: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING: Romans 11:1-2a,13-15,28-32

St. Paul continued his exhortation on the fate of Israel. God, he said, has not rejected his people. Even though they were disobedient and unfaithful, God would not abandon them. Instead, Christ's death and resurrection opened a way for Gentiles to be included in God's plan for salvation.

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! For I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. ¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the

world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? ²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all.

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. Hal - le - lu - jah.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 15:21-28

P: The Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew, the 15th Chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord!

²¹And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon." ²³But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying out after us." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶And he answered, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

P: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

SERMON: Called To The Table

HYMN: Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness *(see back of the bulletin)*

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 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:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He

has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

COMMUNION ACCLAMATION

Save us, save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

div.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord Jesus, as often as we eat of this bread and drink of this cup, we proclaim your death until you come again. Remember us, therefore, in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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

Resurrection Lutheran's communion practices can be found on the "Come To The Table" instructional in your pew. If you are a visitor or guest, please consider referencing this card.

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN: What a Friend We Have in Jesus.....RECLAIM No. 223

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.

Women's Bible Study will begin in September with a series on Ephesians entitled, *"By the Will of God."* A group order for the study materials will be placed on August 28th. Please let Karen McGregor know if you'd like a book. The cost will be \$10 per book.

The **Resurrection Lutheran Women of the Word** will meet this Saturday, August 26th at 10:00am to assemble the Global Health Ministries hospice kits and roll bandages. Please come join us for this time of fellowship and service to those in need.

The 2023 **Augustana District Women of the Word Gathering** will be held Saturday, September 16th at St. John's Lutheran Church in Springfield. The event is titled, "Faith Over Fear" and will feature wonderful speakers, Bible studies, and fellowship. Registration forms can be found on the Welcome Center desk and are due by September 1st.

Birthdays this week: Karen Spiegler (Today) - Ruth Davidson (22nd) - Helen Schauer (26th)

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION LUTHERAN

Sunday	August 20	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship
Monday	August 21	10:00am	Morning Prayer
Wednesday	August 23	Noon	Lectionary Lunch
		5:30pm	Church Choir
		6:30pm	Book/Video Discussion
Thursday	August 24	8:00am	Men's Bible Study
Saturday	August 26	10:00am	WOW Gathering
Sunday	August 27	9:30am	Worship
		10:30am	Fellowship

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness



- 1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light;
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word;
- 3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing, two - edged sword.
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease,
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand;
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.



calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.
from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

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