

# Welcome to Lutheran Church of the Resurrection ONLINE

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# August 16th, 2020

A Service of Prayers Shared and/or Written by Resurrection Church Family

9: 55 Prelude Welcome- Pjila'si

I was regretting the past and fearing the future. Suddenly God was speaking.

## "My name is 'I am.'"

I waited. God continued,

"When you live in the past, with its mistakes and regrets, it is hard. I am not there.

#### My name is not 'I was.'

When you live in the future, with its problems and fears, it is hard. I am not there.

#### My name is not 'I will be.'

When you live in this moment, it is not hard. I am here.

My name is 'I am.' ----- Helen Mellicost

Hymn 859 Praise to the Lord, The Almighty (words at end of bulletin)

## Greeting

Litany: Mi'kmaw prayer of the Seven Sacred Teachings

Creator, Thank you for this day you have given us. Thank you for allowing us to gather here today and **We ask you to enter where we are,** 

**so that your teachings will work in us.** We ask for wisdom

So that we will know what is good in this world.

We ask for love, So that we can spread your love everywhere.

We ask for respect,

So that we will know that everyone comes from one place ... from you.



We ask for bravery, So that we will not be afraid to do your work here.

We ask for honesty, So that no one will lie or harm any of us.

We ask for humility, So that no one will be superior to another.

And lord, we ask for truth, So that we will see you in the future, on the last day with clean hearts and spirits. Amen.

----- Helen Sylliboy

Prayer of the day ---- Harry Soper

Readings

<u>Genesis 45: 1-15</u> Psalm by Carolyn Humphreys: words at end of bulletin <u>Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32</u>

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 15: 21-28

Sermon written by Rev. Christie Morrow-Wolfe, Assistant to the Bishop, Eastern Synod

Hymn 703 O God, Why Are You Silent? (words and music at end of bulletin)

Creed: Prayer of faith by Lina Scheffler

Dear God, I pray that you give us light that shines within us in time of darkness. I pray for the safety of our community and I hope that we will find a way out of these hard times. I thank you Lord for giving us strength to look on the bright side. I am thankful that we are surrounded by people we love; People that are able to give our community faith and hope. I am grateful for people who love us back. I am happy that the sun can shine upon us, give us warmth and happiness to fill our hearts. Thank you, my Lord for making challenging moments easier for us and thank you for the love, hope, and faith that still shines brightly in the world. Amen. Prayers of the People – Carol Grantham; Mary Mueller; Elizabeth and Catherine Polvi; Abwalla, Obang, Bible and Tek Omod; Roda Obang; and Isaac Okwiri

Sung at beginning and end, "Hear our prayer, hear our prayer, Lord make us whole. Peace to all people, hope for each soul. God of grace, in this place, hear now our prayers."

Bid: Hear us God. Response: Your mercy is great.

Sharing Christ's Peace

#### Offering

Offering Hymn 875 Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord

Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God's holy name. Alleluia! Praise, praise, praise the Lord! Praise God's holy name. Alleluia!

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Prayer ---- Harry Soper

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing

Hymn 886 O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Dismissal: 'I am' is here. Go with God. Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Oh my Beloved How beautiful is your creation How wondrous is your love. You are the beating heart of the universe You love every atom, every pulse of life.

Oh my Beloved You call to me You open your arms and hold me Through despair, through pain Through darkness and fear

But so often I do not listen I turn away from your possibilities

Oh my Beloved You welcome me home again and again. I sing out in joy, I celebrate You are my Beloved.

---- Carolyn Humphreys

PRAISE, THANKSGIVING

# Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

## 859

- Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the God of creation! My heart is longing to offer up sweet adoration. Melody make; dulcimer, harp, now awake. Sound forth your praise, ev'ry nation.
- 2 Praise the Almighty, o'er all life so wondrously reigning, and, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining. Have you not seen? All that is needful has been sent by God's gracious ordaining.
- 3 Praise the Almighty, who prospers your work and defends you; see from the heavens the showers of mercy God sends you. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do; infinite Love here befriends you.
- 4 Praise the Almighty! In wonder my spirit is soaring! All that has life and breath, come now with praises outpouring. Let the amen sound from God's people again, gladly forever adoring!

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