



Resurrection Lutheran Church

To Live & Share the Love of Christ

Pastor Melissa Pagel

Sunday, February 9th 2024. *Fifth Sunday after Epiphany*
*(Congregational responses are printed in **Bold** type.)*

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Welcome to Resurrection Lutheran Church where different people come together for the shared purpose of worshiping God and encouraging each other through the inclusive love of Jesus. Whether you are our guest, looking for a church home, or already a member, we want you to feel welcomed by our congregation and inspired by our worship service.

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Introduction

The fifth Sunday after Epiphany continues to highlight unlikely instruments and circumstances appointed to reveal God's glory. "Who will go for us?" God asks. A person of unclean lips, a former persecutor of the church of God, and three fishermen who couldn't catch a thing. More surprising still, perhaps, is that we are also called.

GATHERING

Announcements

Gathering Hymn

Here I am Lord

ELW 574

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, our creator, our protector, our wellspring of life. **Amen.**

Confession and Forgiveness

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

Forgive us for the ways we act with judgment, cruelty, or indifference. We ignore the needs of our neighbors; we resist your call to oppose injustice; we give in to scarcity and fear; we assume the worst about one another. Cleanse us from our faults and release us from their grasp.

Show us your loving kindness. Restore our hearts and repair your world, that we may live in Christ's ways. Amen.

God proclaims these words of assurance:
“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name. You are mine.”
In † Christ, you are forgiven.
In the Spirit, you are made free.
Refreshed by the waters of mercy,
live anew as beloved children of God.
Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Most holy God, the earth is filled with your glory, and before you angels and saints stand in awe. Enlarge our vision to see your power at work in the world, and by your grace make us heralds of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading: Isaiah 6:1-8 [9-13]

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said:
“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people

of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.” Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!” [And he said, “Go and say to this people:

‘Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.’ Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed.” Then I said, “How long, O Lord?” And he said: “Until cities lie waste without inhabitants, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.

Even if a tenth part remain in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled. The holy seed is its stump.

Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 138

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I will sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your name, because of your steadfast love and faithfulness; for you have glorified your name and your word above all things.

When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me.

All the rulers of the earth will praise you, O LORD, when they have heard the words of your mouth.

They will sing of the ways of the LORD, that great is the glory of the LORD.

The LORD is high, yet cares for the lowly, perceiving the haughty from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me. You will make good your purpose for me; O LORD, your steadfast love endures forever; do not abandon the works of your hands

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand,² through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain.

³ For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures,⁴ and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it

was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.
Word of God, Word of Life. **Thanks be to God.**

Please rise in body or in spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia

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Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

The Holy Gospel according to Luke 5:1-11. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.” Simon answered, “Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.” When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!” For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching

people.” When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

Sermon

Pastor Melissa Pagel

Please rise in body or in spirit.

*Hymn of the Day Will You Come and Follow Me ELW 798
vs.1,2,4,5*

The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s
only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to
judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the
holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness
of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Prayers of the People

With the Spirit of Christ shining upon us, let us boldly pray for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

God of surprising abundance, you call your people to enter deeply into the world. Equip us to respond to your call, gather up what we have, and offer it to all. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

God of creation, provide protection from the elements and other hazards to all whose work brings them outside: for fishers, ranchers, line workers, and construction crews. Guide us to live carefully alongside the wonders of the land and waters. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Open the hearts of all leaders, especially those who serve in the armed forces, that they respond to their commission with wisdom and patience. Ensure that all who serve are kept safe in body, mind, and spirit. We pray for an end to all war and armed conflict. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Fill with your compassionate presence all who are suffering from addiction, mental illness, injury, or illness of any kind. Draw helpers to their side so that they find relief from their burdens. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Call our faith communities to do marvelous things. Bless the labor and efforts of this congregation, that we may be a sign of your presence in the world. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you for those who have courageously gone before us in the faith. May we too show a deep trust in you throughout our lives. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

We entrust our prayers to you, O God, in the sure and certain hope that your promise is revealed among the people.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of God be with you always. **And also with you.**

Please share a sign of the Lord's peace with those around you.

Please be seated.

Offering

Choir Anthem Only a Holy God Farren/Robinson/Smith

Please rise in body or spirit.

Offering Prayer

God of grace, your love reaches to the heavens, and your abundance to the depths of the seas. Bless what we offer to your service: our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts. Let us overflow with gratitude and generosity, now and always. **Amen.**

MEAL

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Preface

It is indeed our right, our duty and our joy....

We praise your name and join in the unending hymn:

Holy, Holy

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Words of Institution

In the night he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus....

Do this in remembrance of me

The Lord's Prayer

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.

Invitation to Communion

The joy of the Lord is our strength. Come, eat this meal of gladness.

The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen and keep you. God's grace, **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Nourishing God, at this table you have refreshed us with holy gifts of food and drink. Strengthen us for service and send us out to embody your good news of liberation and healing for the sake of the world. In the name of Christ we pray, **Amen.**

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the World.

SENDING

Please rise in body or in spirit.

Benediction

The Spirit of the triune God

✠ bless you with joy,
anoint you with compassion,
and send you in love. **Amen.**

Sending Hymn

This Little Light of Mine

ELW 677

Dismissal

Go in peace. To live and share the love of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

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This Week at a Glance

Monday -Wednesday Office Hours 9:00am-1:00pm

Monday- 2:00pm R & F mtg.

Monday- 6:00pm Council mtg

Tuesday- 9:00 am Quilters

Wednesday-5:30 pm Choir

Thursday 9:00am-11:00am Food Pantry
Thursday- 3:00pm Worship Planning mtg
Sunday- Bible Study 8:00am Worship 9:30 am

Upcoming Events

Reminder February 10th Council Meeting at 6:00pm

Please join us after worship for a taco bar celebrating our Volunteers.

Warming of the heart -Resurrection and 8 other churches have come together to provide a safe space for the homeless on Sundays. Resurrection has agreed to support the primary Churches on 2/16 from 12:30pm-5:00pm. We Need 1 more volunteer for this day. Signup sheets are in the narthex.

Aebleskiver Fest February 22nd 9:00 am -2 pm Bethel Lutheran Church

Basket Raffle/Bake Sale/Craft Booth and of course the Apple Pancakes!

Crossways Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 8th at St Marks Lutheran, Neenah.

9:00AM Registration Opens and 9:30 Meeting Begins

Assisting us this week Feb 9th

Usher: Bob Bishoff

Communion Deacon: Debbie LaPlante
Counters: Jim & Judy Gatske
Lector: Kris Hartung
Altar Guild: Carol Borremans
Fellowship: Taco Bar Volunteer Celebration

Assisting us next week February 16th

Usher: Bob Bishoff
Communion Deacon: Sandy Krakow
Counters: Jim & Judy Gatske
Lector: Jodi Koch
Altar Guild: Carol Borremans
Fellowship: Kochs

Church Council Members

Council President: Carol Borremans	Pastor: Melissa Pagel
Vice President: Bill Hartung	Secretary: Jean Kaster
Secretary: Jodi Koch	Musician: Greg Pagel
Treasurer: Debbie LaPlante	Choir Director: Beth Krepline
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Committees

Resource & Finance: Jim Gatske
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Food Pantry: Jodi Koch
Celebration: Craig/Christina Marcin
Church Support & Property: Bill Hartung
Outreach & Wiener Wednesday: Sandy Krakow
Personnel: Carol Borremans

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