

Resurrection Lutheran Church

To Live & Share the Love of Christ
Pastor Melissa

Pagel

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To Live & Share the Love of Christ

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

Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.

Announcements

Gathering

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

God, we come to you with voices raised and spirits high We are here knocking on your door.

Everyone who asks receives.

Everyone who searches finds.

For everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Let us worship God.

Gathering Hymn Lead Me, Guide Me ELW 768

Confession and Forgiveness

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of \pm Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

Amen.

Prayer of the Day

Benevolent God, you are the source, the guide, and the goal of our lives. Teach us to love what is worth loving, to reject what is offensive to you, and to treasure what is precious in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, ¹³ applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. ¹⁴ I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me —and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So, I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity. Word of God, Word of Life. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 49:1-12

Hear this, all you peoples; give ear, all you who dwell in the world, you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.

My mouth shall speak of wisdom, and my heart shall meditate on understanding.

I will incline my ear to a proverb and set forth my riddle upon the harp.

Why should I be afraid in evil days,

when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

the wickedness of those who put their trust in | their own prowess, and boast of their great riches?

One can never redeem another, or give to God the ransom for another's life;

for the ransom of a life is so great

that there would never be enough to pay it,

in order to live forever and ever and never see the grave.

For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid, they perish

and leave their wealth to those who come after them.

Their graves shall be their homes forever, their dwelling places from generation to generation,

though they had named lands after themselves.

Even though honored, they cannot live forever; they are like the beasts that perish.

Second Reading Colossians 3:1-11

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

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

Please rise in body or in spirit for the Gospel Acclamation

Hallelujah



Text: Traditional Music: SYRIAN HALLELUJAH, Syrian traditional

Gospel:

The Holy Gospel according to Luke 12:13-21 Glory to you, O Lord.

Someone in the crowd said to [Jesus,] "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

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

Sermon

Pastor Melissa Pagel

Hymn of the Day

(see next page)

Blessed Assurance



- 1 Bless-ed as-sur-ance, Je-sus is mine! Oh, what a fore-taste of glo-ry di-vine!
- 2 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, per-fect de-light, vi-sions of rap-ture now burst on my sight;
- 3 Per-fect sub-mis-sion, all is at rest; I in my Sav-ior am hap-py and blest,



Heir of sal-va-tion, pur-chase of God, born of his Spir-it, washed in his blood. an - gels de-scend-ing bring from a-bove ech-oes of mer-cy, whis-pers of love. watch-ing and wait-ing, look-ing a-bove, filled with his good-ness, lost in his love.



This is my sto - ry, this is my song, prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long:



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Text: Fanny J. Crosby, 1820–1915

Music: ASSURANCE, Phoebe P. Knapp, 1830–1908

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 power of 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 Intercession

In solidarity with all creation, we join our voice to the voice of the whole church and pray for the needs of the world.

A brief silence.

Response: God of grace, hear our prayer.

Trusting in your lovingkindness, we place our prayer and hope in you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of the Lord's peace with those around you and then please be seated for the offering.

Offering

Please rise in body or spirit.

Offering Prayer

Creator God, in your wisdom you bring forth all that is good and the harvest is plentiful.

Strengthen us at your table with these gifts of the earth and our labor, that we may work for the good of all; through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

MEAL

Great ThanksgivingThe 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:

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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 kingdom of God is set before you. Eat and rejoice. The body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen and keep you. God's grace, **Amen.**

Post Communion Prayer

Mothering God, you gathered us to your table and we drank deeply of your grace. Send us out by your Spirit to love our neighbors as ourselves and proclaim your love in Jesus' name. Amen.

Please rise in body or in spirit.

Benediction

The love of God abounds in you; the grace of our Savior Jesus Christ fills your hearts; and the life of the Spirit + bless you and give you peace.

Amen.

Sending Hymn Great is Thy Faithfulness ELW 733

Dismissal

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

Thanks be to God.

This Week at a Glance

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

Monday- 2:00pm R & F Meeting

6:00pm Council Meeting

Tuesday- Quilters 9:00am

Thursday-Pantry 9:00am-11:00am

Sunday- Worship 9:30 am

Upcoming Events

There are printed **August Lifeline** in the narthex. Please take one. Noisy Offering raised \$114.51 recipient **St Vincent DePaul.** Thank You for your generosity.

Outreach will plan to give our Adopt a family a visa card for back -to - school expenses. We are seeking donations, please use envelope labeled 'Adopt a family' and place in offering plate. Thank you for your continued support!







As your gardens grow: Please share your overflow with the pantry. Veggies and fruits can be dropped off on Wednesdays if you find you have more than you can use. Thank You.

Needed items: Cereal, soup, baked beans, canned meat, pasta sauce, and canned fruit are all items that are helpful. We have been having issues with mice eating ramen noodles. We are asking that they not be given to the pantry until we can get rid of the mice.

Larry Peterson

Summer Cleaning- the Quilters could use any top sheets or blankets you're not using. Thank You.

Please save the date for this year's Trunk or Treat!

Trunk or Treat is scheduled for Saturday, October 18th from 2:00-4:00 pm. We will need at least 5-6 volunteers to help that are not handing out candy from their cars.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES

The giving tree will be collecting new, unused school supplies for the month of August, and will be distributed to three area elementary schools. Thank you so much for your donations to this very important outreach project.

Any questions: contact Diana Rudie 920-265-6839

Supplies needed:

Pens markers

glue sticks wide ruled notebooks

pencils Folders

erasers index cards rulers sticky notes

scissors

colored pencils

crayons

Assisting us this week August 3rd

Usher: Alan Gabriel

Communion Deacon: Debbie LaPlante

Counters: Jim/Judy Gatske

Lector: Jodi Koch

Altar Guild: Val Nelson Fellowship: Val Nelson

Assisting us next week August 10th

Usher: Alan Gabriel

Communion Deacon: Sandy Krakow

Counters: Jim/Judy Gatske

Lector: Bill Hartung Altar Guild: Val Nelson

Fellowship: No One Assigned

Church Council Members

Pastor: Melissa Pagel Council President: Carol Borremans Secretary: Jean Kaster

Vice President: John Koch Musician: Greg Pagel

Secretary: Jodi Koch Choir Director: Beth Krepline Treasurer: Debbie LaPlante Financial Secretary: Chris Peterson

Committees

Resource & Finance: John Koch

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Church Support & Property: Kevin Wood Wiener Wednesday: Jodi

Koch

Outreach: Sandy Krakow Personnel: Carol Borremans

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