Resurrection Lutheran Church

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Resurrection Lutheran Church is called by God, to reach beyond our walls and share the Good News, bringing Christ to the world through Prayer, Love, and Action.

Sunday, August 15, 2021—9:30 AM Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion

All are welcome to commune and receive Christ in bread and wine. Please fill out a communion card and give it to the usher when coming forward for Communion.

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Wisdom prepares a feast, sets her table, and invites all to come and eat her bread and drink her wine. The first chapter of John's gospel owes much to the biblical tradition that imagined Wisdom as existing before anything was created and having a role in the work of creation. Christ, the wisdom of God (1 Cor. 1:24), today invites us to eat his flesh and drink his blood. John's gospel includes no account of the institution of the Lord's supper, but here we can't help hearing Jesus' words as an invitation to the meal of bread and wine we share.

WELCOME

CENTERING PRAYER

CENTERING MUSIC

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C Amen.

- P 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.
- C Amen.
- P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Time of silence and self-examination

- P Gracious God,
- C 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.
- P 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 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.
- C Amen.

PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.

SHARING OF PEACE

OPENING HYMN

ELW #518

We Eat the Bread of Teaching





GREETING

- 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.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray
- C Ever-loving God, your Son gives himself as living bread for the life of the world. Fill us with such a knowledge of his presence that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life to serve you continually, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING: Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom is portrayed as a woman who invites people to partake of her banquet. Just as ordinary food is necessary for physical life, Wisdom's food—insight and understanding—is necessary for fullness of life with God. Partaking of Wisdom's banquet is the way to life.

- ¹Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars.
- ²She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table.
- ³She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town,
- 4"You that are simple, turn in here!"
 To those without sense she says.
- 5"Come, eat of my bread
 - and drink of the wine I have mixed.
- ⁶Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."
- L The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 34:9-14 (read responsively)

⁹Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD,

for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.

The lions are in want and suffer hunger,

but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

¹¹Come, children, and lis- ten to me;

I will teach you reverence for the LORD.

12Who among you takes plea- | sure in life and desires long life to en- | joy prosperity?

¹³Keep your | tongue from evil and your lips from | lying words.

¹⁴Turn from evil | and do good; seek peace | and pursue it.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:15-20

True wisdom integrates our new reality in Christ with our Christian fellowship and daily conduct. Because we are filled with the Spirit, Christians regularly rejoice together, give thanks to God for one another, and care for one another. In this way we revere our Lord Jesus Christ.

¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

- P The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand as you are able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: John 6:51-58

In John's gospel, the feeding of the five thousand leads to extended teaching in which Jesus identifies himself as the true "bread of life." Finally, in these verses, he makes a connection that would not be understood until after his death, in light of the church's celebration of holy communion.

P The holy gospel according to John

C Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ⁵¹"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh

and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵ for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷ Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

P The gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you, O Christ

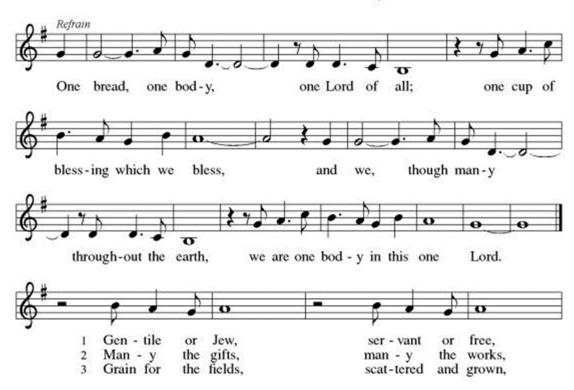
Please be seated **SERMON**

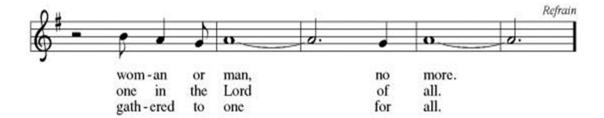
Pastor Darryl Thompson Powell

Stand as you are able HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW #496

One Bread, One Body





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;

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—Rooted in Christ and sustained by the Spirit, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all of creation.

A brief silence. Each petition ends:

- P God, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P We lift these and all our prayers to you, O God, confident in the promise of your saving love; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

Please be seated OFFERING

Stand as you are able **OFFERTORY SONG**

"We Are an Offering"

ELW #692

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering.

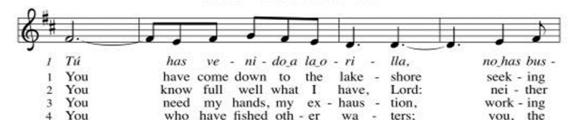
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering, we are an offering.

OFFERING PRAYER

- P Let us pray.
- C Holy God, gracious and merciful, you bring forth food from the earth and nourish your whole creation. Turn our hearts toward those who hunger in any way, that all may know your care; and prepare us now to feast on the bread of life, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SENDING SONG ELW #817

You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore



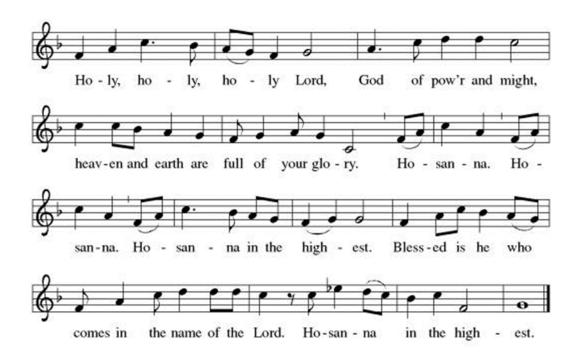


Please be seated ANNOUNCEMENTS

DIALOGUE

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them up to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION - all are invited *gluten free wafers are available.

Please be seated LAMB OF GOD

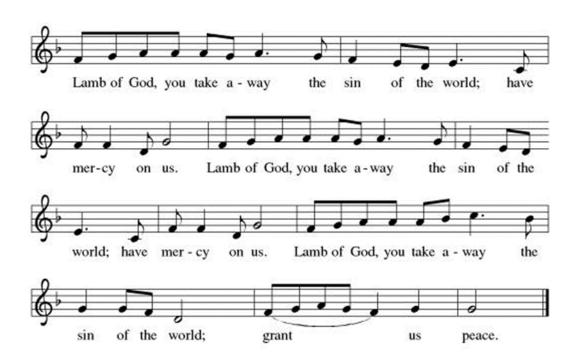


TABLE BLESSING

- P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
- C Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

- P Let us pray.
- C Living God, as the disciples ate and drank with their risen Lord, we have been nourished with the very presence of Christ. Through this meal may we be strengthened to keep your word and to proclaim the power of your love in Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

- P Go out into the world in peace; have courage; hold onto what is good; return no one evil for evil; strengthen the faint hearted; support the weak, and help the suffering; honor all people; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit
- C Amen.

SENDING MUSIC

DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, for the sake of the world!
- C Thanks be to God.

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Pastor Director of Music Oboe Darryl Thompson Powell Henrietta Atkin Wayne Ryerson



The flowers today are from Ron and Barb Ziemer in honor of Madison Ziemer's 18th birthday and in memory of Jeanette Ziemer.

Volunteers are needed to pick up the flowers for the altar on Saturdays. The signup sheet is on the bulletin board or you can call the office to see which dates are available or for more information. The next Saturday that we need a volunteer to pick up flowers is August 28.

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION

Monday, August 16

12:00 pm Food Pantry & Clothing Closet

Tuesday, August 17

Wednesday, August 18

1:00 pm Midweek Worship Service

2:00 pm Bible Study

7:00 pm Evening Prayer Service

Thursday, August 19

7:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting

Friday, August 20

Pastor Darryl's Sabbath

Saturday, August 21

Sunday, August 22

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

11:00 am Coffee Hour



All donations are appreciated! The items that we currently need are: **side dishes, pasta sauce and shampoo.** Thank you!



The Giving Closet is in need of men's t-shirts and short sleeve shirts.



Our sincere and heartfelt condolences to Sue & Pat Flanagan and Robert Carter on the passing of Dean Carter.

Visitation Sunday 2-8. Chapel Service Monday 10 AM at Carbonara Funeral Home, 1515 N. 25th Avenue Melrose Park. In lieu of flowers donations to the Irish American Heritage Center https://irish-american.org/ or Old Town School of Folk Music https://www.oldtownschool.org/ would be appreciated.



PRAY FOR MEMBERS: Irwin K, Judy H, Janet G, Donna T, Dave N, and Marvin K.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF RLC MEMBERS: Sue Koevenig's nephew Kevin, and niece Alison V, Barb Miralgio's mother Anne, Dean Johnsrud's daughter Deana, Terry, Stan and Darlene Majka, Elaine Evans, Beth Silenzi's friend Luke and his family, Sue Flanagan's son Robert, housekeeping staff at hospitals and nursing homes, Fred Shoemaker, Usher, Atour, Rob, Karen Shumaker's brother Curtis and cousin Joan, Lynn, Elaine R, Lamone Carter, Eileen Gorski, Mary Ann and Gene, Jacob Corona-Strong, Russ Sprenger's daughter Kimberly Shubinski, Sophia, Linda Bike, Christine Riep, and Janet Grace's son-in-law Scott Backus.

<u>THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY</u>: Josiah Gross, Edward Scharlow, Joseph Rachmaciej, Mike Brimie, Robert Dilks, and Mike Ignoffo.