

Welcome to **Resurrection Lutheran Church**

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INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Blessings and curses abound on the sixth Sunday after Epiphany. We would do well to listen closely to whom the "blessed ares" and the "woe tos" are directed and to find our place in the crowd among those who desire to touch Jesus. The risen Christ stands among us in the mystery of the holy supper with an invitation to live in him, and offers power to heal us all.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Texts for Sunday, February 20, 2022 7th Sunday after Epiphany / Lectionary 7

Genesis 45:3-11, 15 Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Luke 6:27-38

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.

Amen.

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

Most merciful God,

we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children.

We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected.

We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves.

We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome.

Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone.

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation.

Amen.

Rejoice in this good news:

You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life.

Live as freed and forgiven children of God.

Amen.

GATHERING SONG: Jesus, the Very Thought of You

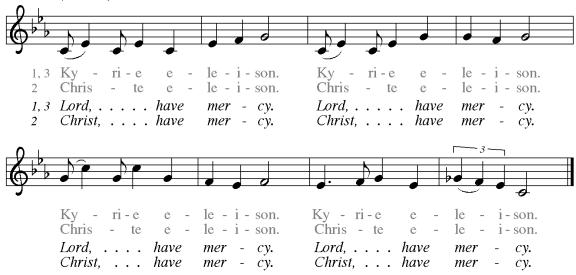


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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

KYRIE (Ghana)

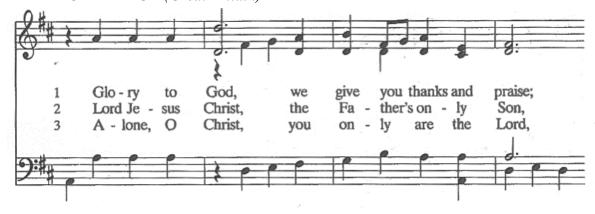


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HYMN OF PRAISE (Great Britain)





PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord God, mercifully receive the prayers of your people. Help us to see and understand the things we ought to do, and give us grace and power to do them; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 17:5-10

These verses compose a poem that is part of a larger collection of wisdom sayings that contrast two ways of life. Life with God brings blessing; the power and vitality of God is active in our life. Life without God brings a curse, the power of death.

A reading from Jeremiah.

⁵Thus says the LORD:

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD.

⁶They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes.

They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD.

⁸They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream.

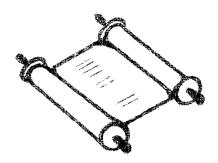
It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green;

in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—
who can understand it?
It the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



PSALM: Psalm 1

They are like trees planted by streams of water. (Ps. 1:3)

¹Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

²Their delight is in the law of the LORD, and they meditate on his law day and night.

³They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; everything they do shall prosper.

4It is not so with the wicked;

they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

⁵Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

⁶For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked is doomed.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:12-20

For Paul, the resurrection of Christ is the basis for Christian hope. Because Christ has been raised, those who are in Christ know that they too will be raised to a new life beyond death.

A reading from First Corinthians.

¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 If there is no resurrection of the dead. then Christ has not been raised; 14 and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. 15We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. 16For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. ¹⁷If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. 18Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. 19 If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S' TIME

Amanda Beebe-Bay

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (South African)



Music: South African; arr. Gobingca Mxadana

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GOSPEL: Luke 6:17-26

After choosing his twelve apostles, Jesus teaches a crowd of followers about the nature and demands of discipleship. He begins his great sermon with surprising statements about who is truly blessed in the eyes of God.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 6th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷[Jesus] came down with [the twelve] and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. ¹⁸They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

²⁰Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹ Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

²²"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

²⁴"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

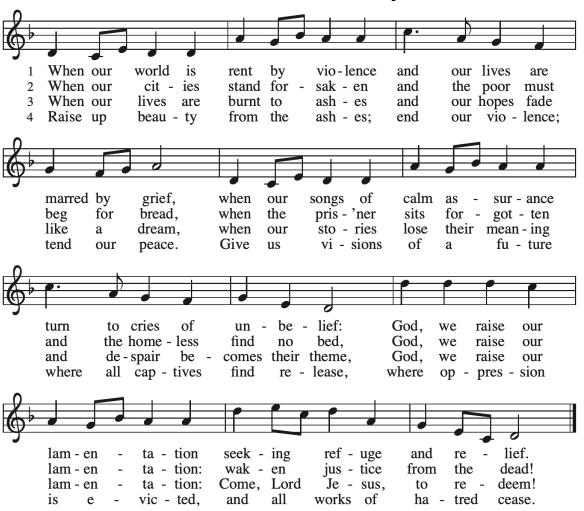
²⁶"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: When Our World Is Rent by Violence



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Music: FORTUNATUS NEW, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929

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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 and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.*

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again 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



PRAYER REFRAIN: Jesus, the Light of the World



We'll walk in the light, beau-ti-ful light, come where the dew-drops of mer-cy are bright.



Shine all a-round us by day and by night, Je-sus, the Light of the world.

^{*}Or. He descended to the dead.

THE PRAYERS

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

Blessed are those whose trust is in you. Strengthen the faith of those who profess your name and bring reassurance to those who doubt or fear. Through your church speak continued blessing into the world. God of grace, hear our prayer.

Those who trust in you are like trees planted by streams of water. Bless fruit trees with an abundant harvest. Protect rainforests from destruction. Restore land that has eroded after deforestation. Resurrect woodlands after forest fires. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Search the hearts of those who govern, that they lead with humility. Inspire leaders to collaborate on policies that protect people and the planet. Sustain truth-tellers and social movements that challenge society to become more honest and just. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Send your blessings of mercy upon those who long for consolation. Tend to those struggling with poverty, unemployment, or uncertainty. Provide for all who are hungry. Console those who face persecution. Grant peace to all who suffer, especially those whom we will never meet. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Renew this congregation in our shared mission. As we plan and dream for the future you are preparing, inspire us by the examples of Martin Luther and all the reformers. Bless new projects and new ministry partnerships. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

You come to us through those you call to positions of leadership. We pray for Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Alaska Synod Bishop Shelly Wickstrom, Bishop Tessa Moon Leiseth of our sister synod; the Alaska Southeast Cluster, Pastor Karen Perkins, and St. Mark Lutheran Church, Anchorage. Grant wisdom to inform all ministries. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For what else do the people of God pray?

Christ is raised from the dead, and so we cling to the hope of the resurrection. We praise you for the lives of the saints who lived and died in the hope of eternal life with you. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

REPEAT PRAYER REFRAIN



We'll walk in the light, beau-ti-ful light, come where the dew-drops of mer-cy are bright.



Shine all a-round us by day and by night, Je-sus, the Light of the world.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

We greet each other with a gesture of peace. We are conscious there are different comfort levels around social-distancing at this time. A nod, wave, phone call or email may be most appropriate for you. This greeting is a sign of the risen Christ who unites us and calls us to recognize the peace of God in one another.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (Nicaraguan)



Fa - ther, with the bread and with the Now we of - fer you, our wine





- the fields of wheat now grow-ing will be-come a ho - lv
- there to change in to Like the grape put in the cel - lar, the wine.
- these gifts we see our one - ness through-out cit - y and the
- All your peo ple who are yearn-ing for the free-dom still a - head
- and to Christ who lives a bove, We sing glo - ry to the Fa - ther



and we find a life so - lace of of - fer fruits of your cre - a - tion and we praise the Ho - ly Spir - it

where the scars of strife are healed. in these gifts of wine and bread. the gift love. for to us of

Text: Misa popular nicaragüense, tr. Gerald Thorson, 1921–2001

Music: TE OFRECEMOS, Nicaraguan folk tune



OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God,
Sovereign of the universe.
You offer us new beginnings
and guide us on our journey.
Lead us to your table,
nourish us with this heavenly food,
and prepare us to carry your love
to a hungry world,
in the name of Christ our light.

Amen

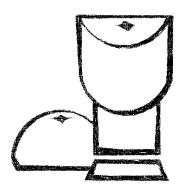
DIALOGUE The Lord be with

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 our thanks and praise.



PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord.

Sharing our life, he lived among us to reveal your glory and love, that our darkness should give way to his own brilliant light.

And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



SANCTUS (German)



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GREAT THANKSGIVING

Blessed are you, O holy God:

you are the Life and Light of all.

By your powerful word you created all things.

Through the prophets you called your people to be a light to the nations.

Blessed are you for Jesus, your Son.

He is your Light, shining in our darkness and revealing to us your mercy and might.

In the night in which he was betrayed,

our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;

broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,

and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

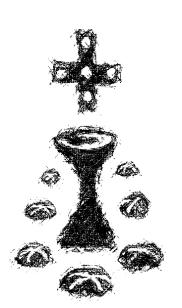
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his preaching and healing,
his dying and rising,
and his promise to come again,
we await that day when all the universe
will rejoice in your holy and life-giving light.

By your Spirit bless us and this meal, that, refreshed with this heavenly food, we may be light for the world, revealing the brilliance of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen



LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

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

All are welcome to the communion table! God is the host and God's love extends to all people. During this period of social distancing due to COVID-19, not all in our community are ready to be present at Resurrection. Nevertheless, there **are** ways for you to participate! We celebrate this holy meal as the community of peace, love and mercy.

- We have resources on our website to help you celebrate Holy Communion at home, either along with a live broadcast or at another time.
- Pastor Karen can bring the Eucharist to you at home. Please contact the office or Pastor Karen to make arrangements.

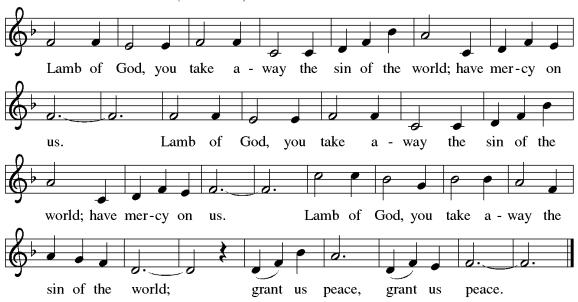
We would be happy to light a candle in thankfulness, of concern, or in memory of a person at your request.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Come to God's table.

There is a place for you and enough for all.

COMMUNION SONG (American)



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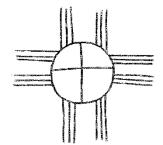
COMMUNION

The body of Christ, given for you.

Amen.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

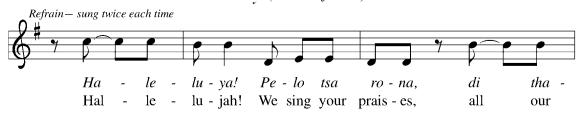


COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE (South African)









Repeat stanza, then sing refrain



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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

SENDING

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

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Resurrection Lutheran Church is to promote spiritual growth in Christ and service to all people.

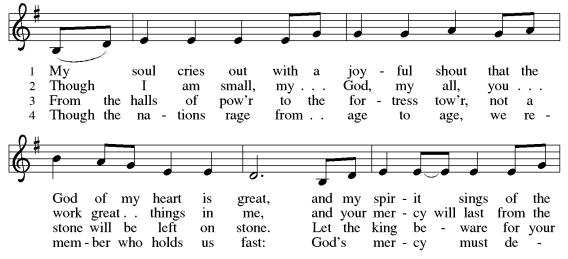
BLESSING

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name,

→ bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

Amen.

SENDING SONG: Canticle of the Turning

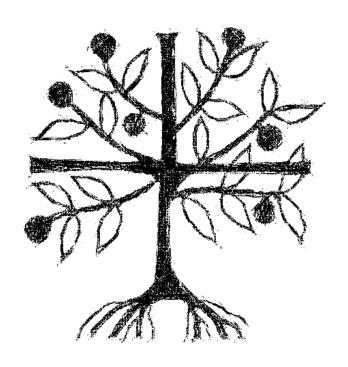




Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a-bout to turn.

DISMISSAL

Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news. **Thanks be to God.**



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