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**INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY**

*Genuine repentance and pretentious piety stand in stark contrast in the gospel and all around us. All creation stands in need of God’s forgiveness. Keep the faith. God’s people shall be accounted righteous for Jesus’ sake. Our God is merciful to sinners. For this we worship and glorify God forever.*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**

**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 is eager to forgive

and who loves us beyond our days.

**Amen.**

Dear friends, together let us acknowledge

our failure to love this world as Jesus does.

God of mercy and forgiveness,

**we confess that sin still has a hold on us.**

**We have harmed your good creation.**

**We have failed to do justice,**

**love kindness,**

**and walk humbly with you.**

**Turn us in a new direction.**

**Show us the path that leads to life.**

**Be our refuge and strength on the journey,**

**through Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.**

**Amen.**

Beloved of God:

your sins are forgiven ☩ and you are made whole.

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Description automatically generatedGod points the way to new life in Christ,

who meets us on the road.

Journey now in God’s abiding love

through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn: Rise, O Sun of Righteousness**



**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.**

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**Prayer of the Day**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Holy God, our righteous judge, daily your mercy surprises us with everlasting forgiveness. Strengthen our hope in you, and grant that all the peoples of the earth may find their glory in you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

**WORD**

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

**First Reading: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22**

*In a time of drought, the people pray for mercy, repenting of their sins and the sins of their ancestors. They appeal to God to remember the covenant, to show forth God’s power, and to heal their land by sending life-giving rain.*

A reading from Jeremiah.

7Although our iniquities testify against us,

  act, O Lord, for your name’s sake;

 our apostasies indeed are many,

  and we have sinned against you.

8O hope of Israel,

  its savior in time of trouble,

 why should you be like a stranger in the land,

  like a traveler turning aside for the night?

9Why should you be like someone confused,

  like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?

 Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us,

  and we are called by your name;

  do not forsake us!

10Thus says the Lord concerning this people:

 Truly they have loved to wander,

  they have not restrained their feet;

 therefore the Lord does not accept them,

  now he will remember their iniquity

  and punish their sins.

19Have you completely rejected Judah?

  Does your heart loathe Zion?

 Why have you struck us down

  so that there is no healing for us?

 We look for peace, but find no good;

  for a time of healing, but there is terror instead.

20We acknowledge our wickedness, O Lord,

  the iniquity of our ancestors,

  for we have sinned against you.

21Do not spurn us, for your name’s sake;

  do not dishonor your glorious throne;

  remember and do not break your covenant with us.

22Can any idols of the nations bring rain?

  Or can the heavens give showers?

 Is it not you, O Lord our God?

  We set our hope on you,

  for it is you who do all this.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: Psalm 84:1-6**

*Happy are the people whose strength is in you.*(Ps. 84:4)

1How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts!

  My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the Lord;

my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

2**The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow**

**a nest where she may lay her young,**

**by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.** R

3Happy are they who dwell in your house!

  They will always be praising you.

4**Happy are the people whose strength is in you,**

**whose hearts are set on the pilgrims’ way.**

5Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs,

  for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.

6**They will climb from height to height,**

**and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.** R

**Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18**

*The conclusion of this letter to a young minister offers a final perspective on life from one who faced death. Though others let him down, Paul was sure of his faith in the Lord, who stood by him and lent him strength.*

A reading from Second Timothy.

6As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. 7I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 8From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

16At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! 17But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion’s mouth. 18The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Children’s Time**

Amanda Beebe-Bay

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**Gospel: Luke 18:9-14**

*The coming reign of God will involve unexpected reversals of fortune with judgment rooted in mercy. Jesus tells a parable in which the one who humbles himself is exalted and the one who exalts his own righteousness is humbled.*

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 18th chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

9[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:10“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. 12I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ 13But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ 14I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon** Pastor Karen Perkins

**Hymn of the Day: Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service**



**Apostles’ Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,**

**creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.**

**He 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**

\*Or, He descended to the dead.

**Prayer Refrain: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying**

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**The Prayers**

In gratitude and humility, let us join together in prayer on behalf of all of God’s creation.

God of mercy, you are in the midst of us and we are called by your name. Inspire your church to serve and love all people with the unceasing grace you extend to us. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of all creation, you formed a world where even the sparrow finds a home. Preserve the beauty and diversity of all creatures with whom we share the earth. Lead us to protect all living things. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of peace, you are an ever-present help in time of trouble. Rescue families and nations torn apart by violence and warfare, especially those on both sides of the border in China and Taiwan, Israel and Palestine, Russia and Ukraine. Unite all people toward common goals of reconciliation and peace for every person. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of hope, you stand with the suffering and give strength. Comfort your people filled with fear or anger, anxiety or shame. Bring healing to all who are sick in body, mind, or spirit, especially those recovering from natural disasters or living with political polarization. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of restoration, you call us to trust in you and not ourselves alone. Make this congregation a community of humility and repentance, ready to encounter you in love and follow in your ways. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

God of wisdom, guide Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton, Alaska Synod Bishop Shelly Wickstrom, Bishop Tessa Moon Leiseth of our sister synod, and Pastor Karen Perkins; for our neighbors in the Alaska Southeast Cluster, especially Island of Faith Lutheran Church, Wrangell; that your saving faith may be known to all. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

For what else do the people of God pray?

God of eternal life, to you be the glory forever. We give you thanks for all who have fought the good fight, finished the race, kept the faith, and now live with you. Hear us, O God.

**Your mercy is great.**

With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

**Repeat Prayer Refrain**

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**MEAL**

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

**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.

**OFFERING**

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**Offertory Prayer**

Gracious God,

in your great love you richly provide for our needs.

Make of these gifts a banquet of blessing,

and make us ready to share with all in need;

through Jesus Christ, who sets a table for all.

**Amen.**

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**Dialogue**

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;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

and by his glorious resurrection

opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with the Church on earth

and the hosts of heaven,

we praise your name

and join their unending hymn:

**Sanctus**

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**Great Thanksgiving**

Holy God,

our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,

you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,

and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.

You sent your Son to eat with sinners

and to become food for the world.

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 life given for us

and his rising from the grave,

we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:

strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,

and by this bread and cup make of us the body 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**

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**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 Information**

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**

**Christ invites you to this table.**

**Come, taste and see.**

**Communion Hymn**

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**Communion Distribution**

The body of Christ, given for you.

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The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Amen**

**Post-Communion Blessing**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you

and keep you in God’s grace.

**Amen**

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**Post-Communion Canticle**

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**Post-Communion Prayer**

God of the abundant table,

you have refreshed our hearts in this meal

with bread for the journey.

Give us your grace on the road

that we might serve our neighbors with joy;

for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

**Mission Statement**

Let us announce together,

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

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**SENDING**

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

**Blessing**

God, who gives life to all things

and frees us from despair,

bless you with truth and peace.

And may the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,

guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

**Amen.**

**Sending Hymn: Praise to You, O God of Mercy**

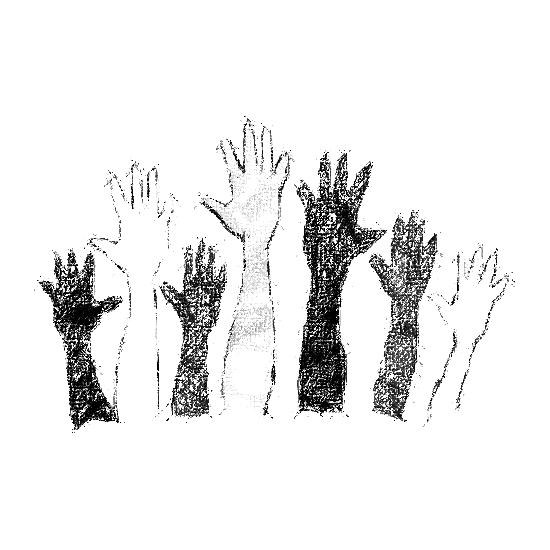
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**Dismissal**

Go in peace, with Christ beside you.

**Thanks be to God.**

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**Texts for Sunday, October 30, 2022**

**Reformation Sunday**

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Psalm 46

Romans 3:19-28

John 8:31-36

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