# **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.

## Serving Our Neighbors by Sharing Our Blessings

# Sunday, September 15, 2024—9:30 AM Seventeenth 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**

Three weeks ago we heard Peter's confession of faith as told in John's gospel. This week we hear Mark's version, when Peter says, "You are the Messiah." In John, the stumbling block is Jesus' invitation to eat his flesh, given for the life of the world. In Mark too the scandal has to do with Jesus' words about his own coming death, and here Peter himself stumbles over Jesus' words. But Jesus is anointed (the meaning of messiah) in Mark only on the way to the cross (14:3); so we are anointed in baptism with the sign of the cross.

## WELCOME

## **CENTERING TIME**

2 minutes of silence to center our hearts for worship. Our time will conclude after the centering music.

## **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.

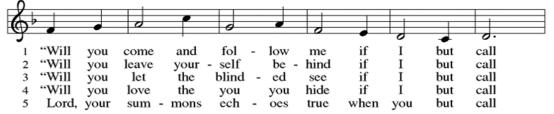
## **SHARING OF PEACE**

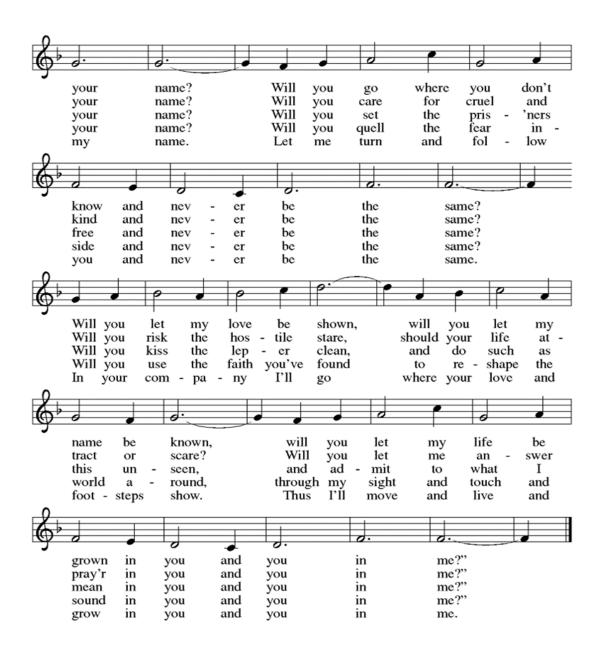
## STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART

## **OPENING HYMN**

### "Will you Come and Follow Me"

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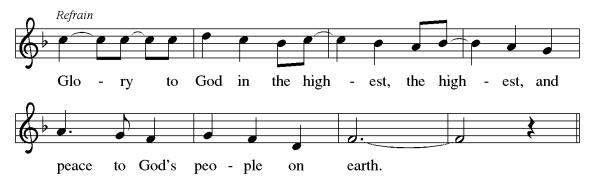




## GREETING

- 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.

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**



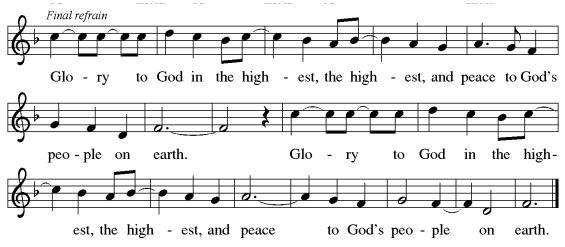
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

#### Refrain

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

#### Refrain

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen. Amen. Amen.



## PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P Let us pray.
- C O God, through suffering and rejection you bring forth our salvation, and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives. Grant that for the sake of the gospel we may turn from the lure of evil, take up our cross, and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

## FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

The image of the servant of the Lord is one of the notable motifs in the book of Isaiah. Today's reading describes the mission of the servant, whom early Christians associated with Jesus. Like Jesus, the servant does not strike back at his detractors but trusts in God's steadfast love.

<sup>4</sup>The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. <sup>5</sup>The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious. I did not turn backward. <sup>6</sup>I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. <sup>7</sup>The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; <sup>8</sup>he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. <sup>9a</sup>It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

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

PSALM: Psalm 116:1-9 (read responsively)

<sup>1</sup>I love the LORD, who has heard my voice. and listened to my supplication, <sup>2</sup>for the LORD has given<sup>†</sup> ear to me wheney- er I called. <sup>3</sup>The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave | came upon me; I came to grief and sorrow. <sup>4</sup>Then I called upon the name <sup>|</sup> of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray you, | save my life." <sup>5</sup>Gracious is the <sup>1</sup>LORD and righteous; our God is full of compassion. <sup>6</sup>The LORD watches o-<sup>1</sup>ver the innocent: I was brought low, | and God saved me. <sup>7</sup>Turn again to your rest, O my soul. for the LORD has dealt well with you. <sup>8</sup>For you have rescued my <sup>1</sup> life from death, my eyes from tears, and my | feet from stumbling; <sup>9</sup>I will walk in the presence of the LORD in the land | of the living.

## **SECOND READING: James 3:1-12**

This text uses various images to illustrate how damaging and hurtful the way we speak to and about others can be. Not only are we to control our speech, but what we say and how we say it are to reflect our faith.

<sup>1</sup>Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. <sup>2</sup>For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. <sup>3</sup>If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. <sup>4</sup>Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. <sup>5</sup>So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

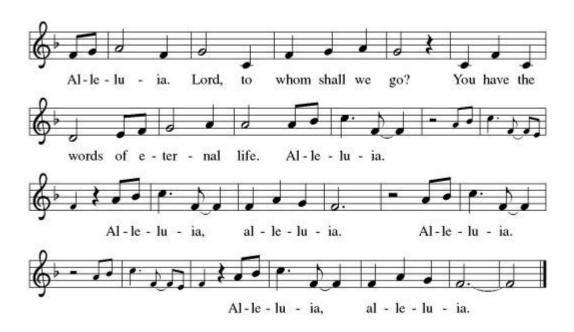
How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! <sup>6</sup>And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. <sup>7</sup>For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, <sup>8</sup>but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. <sup>9</sup>With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. <sup>10</sup>From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. <sup>11</sup>Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and

brackish water? <sup>12</sup>Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

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

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

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## GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-38

This story provides the turning point in Mark's gospel. Peter is the first human being in the narrative to acknowledge Jesus as the Messiah, but he cannot accept that as the Messiah Jesus will have to suffer. Moreover, Jesus issues a strong challenge to all by connecting discipleship and the cross.

- P The holy gospel according to Mark
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>27</sup>Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" <sup>28</sup>And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." <sup>29</sup>He asked them, "But

who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." <sup>30</sup>And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

<sup>31</sup>Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. <sup>32</sup>He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. <sup>33</sup>But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

<sup>34</sup>He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. <sup>35</sup>For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. <sup>36</sup>For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? <sup>37</sup>Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? <sup>38</sup>Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

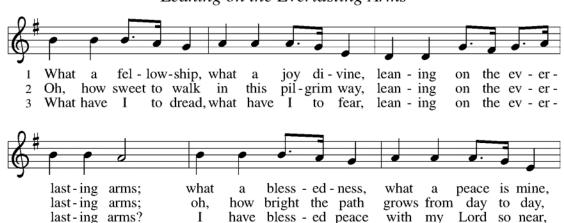
- P The gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

#### SERMON

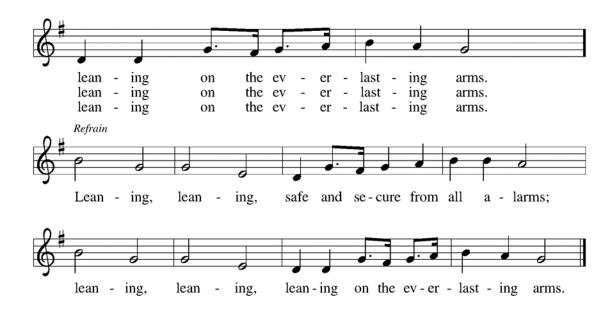
### **Pastor Darryl Thompson Powell**

#### HYMN OF THE DAY

#### ELW #774



What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine Leaning on the Everlasting Arms



#### 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.

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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.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OFFERING PRAYER** 

Let us pray.

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C

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.

Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands,

Lord use our lives, they are yours:

We lift our voices, we lift our hands,

we are an offering.

we are an offering.

## **OFFERTORY SONG**

we lift our lives up to you:

"We Are an Offering"

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### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION-Drawn together in the power of the Holy Spirit, we pray with confidence for the church, God's good creation, and all who are in need.

A brief silence. Each petition ends:

- Hear us. O God. Р
- C Your mercy is great.
- We entrust these and all our prayers to you, holy God, in the name of your beloved Ρ child, Jesus Christ, our Savior.
- С Amen.

## **OFFERING**

## 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

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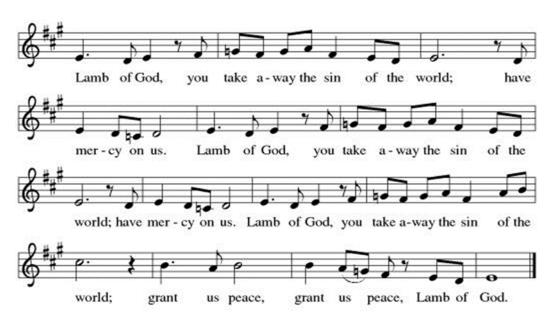
WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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. The bread is gluten free.

## 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 We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## BLESSING

- P The Lord bless you and keep you.The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- C Amen.

## SENDING MUSIC

## STATING OUR MISSION

- P Resurrection, what is our mission?
- C Serving Our Neighbors by Sharing Our Blessings!

## DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Christ is with you.
- C Thanks be to God.

Pastor: Darryl Thompson Powell Director of Music: Henrietta Atkin Oboist: Wayne Ryerson

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### **TODAY'S SCHEDULE**

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

## THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION

Monday, September 16 12:00 pm Food Pantry & Clothing Closet

Tuesday, September 17

Wednesday, September 181:00 pmMidweek Service2:00 pmBible Study7:30 pmEvening Service

Thursday, September 19 7:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting

Friday, September 20 Pastor Darryl's Sabbath

Saturday, September 21

Sunday, September 22 9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

Online services are available via Facebook (www.facebook.com/rlcfp/live), YouTube (www.youtube.com/rlcfp or search for "Resurrection Lutheran Franklin Park YouTube") and Twitch.

Bible Study can be accessed via Zoom online (bit.ly/rlcfp-zoom) or by phone (312-626-6799 Meeting ID: 230 167 8868, Password: 9777). You can also watch without participating on YouTube (www.youtube.com/rlcfp).

The flowers today are to the glory of God.



The food pantry is in need of cereal. Thank you to everyone that helps to keep our shelves stocked!



The Clothing Closet is in need of men's jeans and casual pants.

## Sunday October 6, 2024—46<sup>th</sup> Annual Eddie Biondo Fall Fest Parade

Resurrection will be participating in this annual Village of Franklin Park event again this year. Please see Lindsay if you are interested in participating or helping.



**PRAY FOR MEMBERS:** Shari J. Jeff P, P, Rita V, Judy H, Russ S, Janet C, Lindsay, Valentina, Virginia S, June K and family, Dolores B, Janet G, Irwin K, and Donna T.

**FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF RLC MEMBERS:** Ronnie W, Jean J, Michael S, Anita, Erv Z, Janice S, Joan P, Joyce F, Pastor Finney, Dana, Leena, Jacque, Diane L, Marilyn R, Ed, Emily F, Lori, Ayla, Curtis, Allen, Pastor Tim, Nancy, Susan, Victor, Richard, Sarah, John M, Mike I, Sharon V, Gary V, Sophia, Marina, Luisa, Cyndy W, John B, Atour, Billy G, Joyce S, Judy K, Lynn, housekeeping staff at hospitals and nursing homes, the homeless, Elaine R, Linda B and Scott B.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Josiah G and Mike B.