

Resurrection & St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

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Welcome!

*You can tune into our service on
89.5 FM on your car radio.*

We celebrate the *Sacrament of Holy Communion* today
which is open to all baptized believers of Jesus Christ.
All others are invited to come for a blessing.

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Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina.

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 7, 2021

GATHERING

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

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism,
as the presiding minister begins.*

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

Amen.

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.
Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, you give strength to the weak and power to the faint. Make us agents of your healing and wholeness, that your good news may be made known to the ends of your creation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

**CHILDREN'S SERMON****THE GOSPEL: MARK 1:29-39**

The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁹As soon as [Jesus and the disciples] left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³²That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." ³⁸He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Eric Little

HYMN OF THE DAY: NO. 715

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need.

A brief silence.

For the church: for ministries of healing and wholeness, for hospital, hospice, and military chaplains, for those serving in prison ministry, for all who proclaim freedom and release in the name of Christ, Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

For creation: for insects in the grass, clouds on the mountaintops, for cattle and the rainwater they drink, for the humility to take our place among all creatures of the earth, Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For the nations: for all who lead in cities and towns, states and countries; for community organizers, school officials, and CEOs; for international health organizations, that in times of trial, fear, or hopelessness, they find freedom in service to those most in need, Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For all wearied by life's burdens: for those who are poor, for those lacking supportive relationships, for those crushed by debt, for those struggling with chronic pain or other sickness, for those exhausted from overwork or stress, and for all who cry out to you (*especially*), Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

For this congregation: for outreach and social ministries centered here (*especially*); for parish nurses and visitors; for ministries of companionship and support, for the young people in this place who open us to new understandings, Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

In thanksgiving for the faithful departed, who were called by name and now rest from their labors, that their lives serve as witnesses to the goodness of God, Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION *(If it is raining, we continue as follows:)*

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.**



FINAL BLESSING

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.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(You may honk your horns to celebrate this day!)

*Memorials Given to
Resurrection Lutheran Church*

In Memory of Kent Taylor

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Welcome New Members...

We welcome Mallie and Parker Shaw and their daughter, Mila, as new members of Resurrection Lutheran. Their family is no stranger to Resurrection Lutheran. Mallie is the daughter of Mitch and Meredith Baker and the granddaughter of Betty Lou Edmonds.

All Council Members are Requested...

to attend the regularly scheduled meeting via zoom Sunday, February 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. If you cannot attend, please let Pat Black, our council chair, or the pastor know.

Souper Bowl of Caring...

Once again this year we will be collecting money for the Souper Bowl of Caring after the morning service at St. Matthew's on Feb. 7, 2021. All proceeds will go to our local Calhoun County K-8 Backpack Program. New this year, the Eastminster Presbyterian Church in Columbia has pledged to give \$1 for each \$6 raised by participating churches. Please prayerfully give to this worthwhile cause!

PARISH PRAYER LIST:

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF THE PARISH:

Jennifer Davy—cousin of Debbie Barwick
Sue Morrow—mother of Nancy Smith
Gary Ryder—friend of Larry Barwick
Jerry Wiles—friend of Gwen Fulmer
Pete Lesesne—brother-in-law of Larry and Debbie Barwick
Robert Gantt—friend of Sandy and Sherry Houck
Carol Rivers—wife of Delmar Rivers
Ray Williams—friend of Delmar Rivers
Michael Edge, Jr.—son of Michael Edge, Sr.
Nancy Whetstone—relative of Kathy Stowe
Rick Baldwin—father of Bryan Baldwin
Carol Messersmith-- Friend of David Rast
John Capizzi, Jr.—frequent visitor to congregation
Beth Stone—daughter of Billy & Cecile Smith
Ann Reynard—friend of David Rast
Dan Morgan—father of Tammy Huggins
Frank Baran—uncle of William Robinson
Rev. Bob Young—former pastor of the parish
Gary Blake—friend of Larry Barwick
Todd Layton—friend of the Community
Ann Van Dyke—aunt of Debbie Barwick
Jacquie Muir—friend of Larry and Debbie Barwick
LeAnna Flynn—daughter of Rita Westbury
Katie Atkins—friend of Adam Barwick
Phil Frederick—friend of Nancy Smith
Glen Garrett—friend of Peter and Julia Sonne
Joye Rush—friend of Larry and Debbie Barwick

MEMBERS:

Billy Smith
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