

Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina.

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 2026

PRELUDE

SHARING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross 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.

The assembly kneels or stands. Silence is kept for reflection and self-examination.

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.

GATHERING HYMN:

449 (RLC)

796 (SMLC)

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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Teach us, good Lord God, to serve you as you deserve, to give and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds, to toil and not to seek for rest, to labor and not to ask for reward, except that of knowing that we do your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD*Children's Message***FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:7-13**

⁷ O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. ⁸ For whenever I speak, I must cry out; I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. ⁹ If I say, "I will not mention him or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. ¹⁰ For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him and take our revenge on him." ¹¹ But the LORD is with me like a terrifying warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. ¹² O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous; you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. ¹³ Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 69:7-10 [11-15] 16-18 (sung responsively)

⁷ Surely, for your sake I have suf- | fered reproach,
and shame has cov- | ered my face.

⁸ **I have become a stranger to | my own kindred,
an alien to my | mother's children.**

⁹ Zeal for your house has eat- | en me up;
the scorn of those who scorn you has fall- | en upon me.

¹⁰ **I humbled my- | self with fasting,
but that was turned to | my reproach.**

¹¹ I put on | sackcloth also,
and became a by- | word among them.

¹² **Those who sit at the gate mur- | mur against me,
and the drunkards make | songs about me.**

¹³ But as for me, this is my prayer to you, at the time you have | set,
O LORD:

“In your great mercy, O God, answer me with your un- | failing help.

¹⁴ **Save me from the mire; do not | let me sink;
let me be rescued from those who hate me and out of | the deep
waters.**

¹⁵ Let not the torrent of waters wash over me, neither let the deep swal- | low
me up; do not let the pit shut its | mouth upon me.

¹⁶ **Answer me, O LORD, for your | love is kind;
in your great compassion, | turn to me.**

¹⁷ Hide not your face | from your servant;
be swift and answer me, for I am | in distress.

¹⁸ **Draw near to me | and redeem me;
because of my enemies de- | liver me.**

**HAPPY
FATHER'S
Day!**

SECOND READING: Romans 6:1b-11

^{1b} Should we continue in sin in order that grace may increase? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we also might walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, so we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸ But if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the twelve:] ²⁴ “A disciple is not above the teacher nor a slave above the master; ²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! ²⁶ “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered and nothing secret

that will not become known. ²⁷ What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸ Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather, fear the one who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹ So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³² “Everyone, therefore, who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven, ³³ but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. ³⁴ “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace but a sword. ³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law, ³⁶ and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. ³⁷ “Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me, ³⁸ and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹ Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Eric Little

HYMN OF THE DAY: 781

CHILDREN OF OUR HEAVENLY FATHER

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PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God’s creation.

Each portion of the prayers ends with

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Into you hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,

Trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

To give Electronically...



SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERTORY RESPONSE – HYMN NO. 884 “Praise God, from Whom ...”

OFFERING PRAYER

MEAL

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Life 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.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,

..... we praise your name and join their unending hymn



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONG



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf-fered death our lives to save: have mer-cy now, we pray.
you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer-cy now, we pray.
e - ter-nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

HOLY COMMUNION (Communion Hymn 460)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

SENDING HYMN NO: 810 (RLC) 769 (SMLC)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Pastor Office Drop-In Hours...

For this week the pastor will be around the office Monday through Friday all day from 9-4 as we have Day Camp this week. If you need to schedule another time than those listed, feel free to get in touch with Pastor Eric.

Council highlights...

from the June 14, 2026 meeting are on the table outside of the fellowship hall.

Annual Casual Service...

July 26, 2026 we will have our 2nd annual casual service, come in your summer attire, (shorts, golf shirt, etc, think comfortable and relaxed). Following service, we will enjoy just desserts, (cookies, cakes, pies, ice cream and all things sweet) in the fellowship hall.

