

# Resurrection Lutheran Church

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# Welcome

PLEASE GREET ONE ANOTHER IN THE LOVE OF OUR SAVIOR!

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Pastor: ..... Rev. Eric Little  
Pastor Emeritus: ..... Rev. G. Baylis Corley  
Organist: ..... C.B. Bull, Jr.  
Lay Assistant: ..... Sharon Polin  
Lay Assistant Next Sunday: ..... Gary Porth  
Altar Flowers: ..... Richard Smith  
“ Next Sunday: ..... Ryan and Somer Lynne Haigler  
Nursery: ..... Amanda Johnson and Emily Haigler  
“ Next Sunday: ..... Ansley Turnblad and Brenda McLellan  
Acolyte and Crucifer ..... Kinsey Stowe and Arleigh Nickel  
Acolyte and Crucifer Next Sunday: ..... Hadley Evans and Sydney Haigler  
Altar Guild: ..... Esther Dufford and Nell Felkel  
Ushers: ..... Edward Rast; Capt., Drew Evans, Hayne Haigler,  
and Bates Houck

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[Please see announcements printed in the back of this bulletin.]

# Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina

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## GATHERING

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

## GATHERING HYMN NO. 842

## OH, WORSHIP THE KING

- 1 Oh, worship the King, all-glorious above.  
Oh, gratefully sing God's power and love;  
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.
- 2 The earth with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old;  
established it fast by a changeless decree,  
and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.
- 3 Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,  
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.
- 4 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;  
your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,  
our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.
- 5 O measureless might, ineffable love,  
while angels delight to hymn you above,  
the humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
with true adoration shall sing to your praise.



## GREETING

You are the treasured people of the Lord,  
**A people holy to the Lord our God.**

Keep the words of the Lord in your heart; teach them to your children.  
**Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away,  
when you lie down and when you rise.**

## SCRIPTURE SONG:



☒ Sal - va - tion be - longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for - ev - er and ev - er.



☐ Great and won - der - ful are your deeds, O God of the u - ni - verse;



just and true are your ways, O Rul - er of all the na - tions.



Who can fail to hon - or you, Lord, and sing the glo - ry of your name?



☒ Sal - va - tion be - longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for - ev - er and ev - er.



☐☐ For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One. All



na - tions will draw near and wor - ship be - fore you,



for your just and ho - ly works have been re - vealed.



☒ Sal - va - tion be - longs to our God and to Christ the Lamb for - ev - er and ev - er.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Faithful God, most merciful judge, you care for your children with firmness and compassion. By your Spirit nurture us who live in your kingdom, that we may be rooted in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## WORD

# Children's Message

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 44:6-8

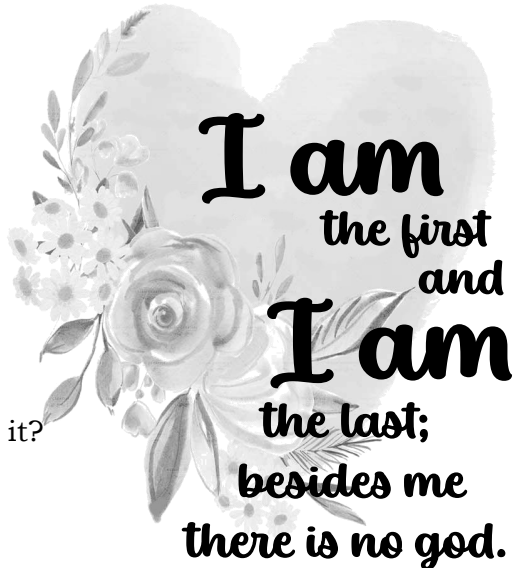
<sup>6</sup>Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel,  
and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:  
I am the first and I am the last;  
besides me there is no god.  
<sup>7</sup>Who is like me? Let them proclaim it,  
let them declare and set it forth before me.  
Who has announced from of old the  
things to come?  
Let them tell us what is yet to be.  
<sup>8</sup>Do not fear, or be afraid;  
have I not told you from of old and declared it?  
You are my witnesses!  
Is there any god besides me?  
There is no other rock; I know not one.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM: Psalm 86:11-17 (spoken responsively)

<sup>11</sup>Teach me your way, O LORD, and I will walk | in your truth;  
give me an undivided heart to re- | vere your name.  
<sup>12</sup>**I will thank you, O Lord my God, with | all my heart,  
and glorify your name for- | evermore.**  
<sup>13</sup>For great is your | love toward me;  
you have delivered me from the | pit of death.  
<sup>14</sup>**The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a band of violent people |  
seeks my life; they have not set you be- | fore their eyes.**



<sup>15</sup>But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and full of kindness and truth.

<sup>16</sup>**Turn to me and have mercy on me; give your strength to your servant, and save the child of your handmaid.**

<sup>17</sup>Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame; because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

## **SECOND READING: Romans 8:12-25**

<sup>12</sup>So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—<sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

<sup>18</sup>I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; <sup>20</sup>for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup>We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labor pains until now; <sup>23</sup>and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup>For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? <sup>25</sup>But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **GOSPEL:**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>24</sup>[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field;<sup>25</sup>but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. <sup>26</sup>So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. <sup>27</sup>And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, ‘Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?’ <sup>28</sup>He answered, ‘An enemy

has done this.’ The slaves said to him, ‘Then do you want us to go and gather them?’  
<sup>29</sup>But he replied, ‘No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. <sup>30</sup>Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.’”

<sup>36</sup>Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, “Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.” <sup>37</sup>He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; <sup>38</sup>the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, <sup>39</sup>and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. <sup>40</sup>Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. <sup>41</sup>The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, <sup>42</sup>and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. <sup>43</sup>Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!”

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

**PASTOR ERIC LITTLE**

**HYMN NO. 693**

**COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME**

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

In Christ, you have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation.

**We believe in him and are marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit.**

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Build yourselves up on your most holy faith;  
**pray in the Holy Spirit.**

Keep yourselves in the love of God;  
**look forward to the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

**Everything old has passed away; behold, everything has become new!**

God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

*Silence for reflection and self examination.*

Gracious God,

**have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone.**

**Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you,  
forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen you in all goodness,  
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

**Amen.**

## **PEACE**

Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, agree with one another, live in peace.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

## **OFFERING**

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

**OFFERTORY RESPONSE – HYMN NO. 884**

**“Praise God, from Whom ... ”**

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray.

God, our Creator,

**You open wide Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living creature.**

**With these gift we bless You for Your tender nurture and care.**

**Help us to delight in Your will and walk in Your ways through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

**Amen.**

## **THE PRAYERS**

As God’s people called to love one another,

Let us pray for the needs of the Church, the human family and all the world.

*Each portion of these prayers concludes with these words*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude with these words:*

All these things and whatever else you see that we need, grant us, O God, for the sake of Christ who died and rose again, and now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.

**Amen.**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

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.**

### **BLESSING**

May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ fill you with every spiritual blessing.

**Amen.**

May the God of faithfulness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus.

**Amen.**

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**SENDING HYMN NO. 631**

**LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING**

### **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



### **Ladies of the church...**

You are invited to a Drop-In Baby Shower being hosted by Donna Rhame and Becky Haigler honoring Olivia Salley and Baby Eleanor Katherine "Kit" Salley on Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. She is registered at babylist.com.

### **Opportunity to help...**

Alison Weeks, daughter-in-law of Perry and Martha Ann Weeks, has been fighting colon cancer. The nursing home that she works for in Bishopville, SC has decided to sponsor a fundraising event for her. It's called "A Poker Run & Auction" for Alison and will be held on July 29, 2023. For more information, contact Martha Ann Weeks at 803-707-2028.

### **You are invited...**

to come join the SC Lutheran Men for their annual Shrimp Boil at the Coastal Retreat Center on Sat., Sept. 30, 2023 beginning with a social hour at 5:00-6:00. A suggested donation of \$15 per person is encouraged and all are welcomed to attend. The event is being sponsored by the SCLMM. RSVP to Jimmy Smith at 803-730-4637 by Sept. 7th or email at jasmith52700@gmail.com.



*Memorials Given to*  
**Resurrection & St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish**

In Memory of  
**Debbie Barwick**

Given by:

Bayne Haigler	Richard Smith
Bates Houck	Kathy Stowe
Brad and Ashley Stowe	Rhyne and Twyla Stowe
Mims Taylor	Sara Lineberger
Mary Jo Spiers	Lois Johnson
Gilmore and Peggy Haigler	George and Marie Rast
Emily Heape	Michael & Doris Brockington
Roy & Dann Thomas	Ann VanDyke
Rhonda A. VanDyke	Rhett, Charla, and Trenton Tindall
Bill and Lynn Huffstetler	Rebecca Reynolds
Jay and Nancy Davey	Tim and Nancy Bradshaw
Ryan and Somer Lynne Haigler	Cecile Smith

## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 23, 2023

Next Sunday	9:00 am	Worship: SMLC
	10:00 am	Children's Music: RLC
	10:00 am	Sunday Church School: SMLC
	10:00 am	Sunday Church School: RLC
	10:15 am	Choir Practice: RLC
	11:00 am	Worship: RLC



### **MEMBERS:**

Rev. & Mrs. Baylis Corley  
Chris Philpot  
Rev. Paul Hirth  
John Capizzi, III

### **MILITARY:**

Andrew Pekarek

### **SC SYNOD STAFF:**

Rev. Rick Carter,  
Asst. to the Bishop  
Rev. Emily Hartmann,  
Asst. to the Bishop  
Rev. Ginny  
Aebischer, Bishop  
Rev. Elizabeth Eaton,  
Presiding Bishop—ELCA

### **FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF THE PARISH:**

Carol Rivers—wife of Delmar Rivers  
Ray Williams—friend of Delmar Rivers  
Nancy Whetstone—relative of Kathy Stowe  
Rev. Bob Young—former pastor of the parish  
Nancy Waugh—aunt of Nancy Smith  
Emily Waugh—cousin of Nancy Smith  
Olivia S. Daniels—friend of the Community  
Patsy Brooks—friend of Esther Dufford  
Courtney Line—granddaughter of Lois “Bud” Porth  
Ricky Line—son-in-law of Lois “Bud” Porth  
Laura Ann Merrill—niece of Nancy Smith  
Bill Epting—friend of Gwen Fulmer  
Eleanor Bassett—friend of Caroline Porth  
Matthew Wannamaker—friend of Gary Porth  
Rhett Tindall—friend of Larry Barwick  
Steve Brunson—friend of Mickey Weeks  
Megan Lucas—sister of Katie Haigler  
Beth Stone—daughter of Cecile Smith  
Julie Crider Layton—friend of Gwen Fulmer  
John Capizzi, Jr.—father of John Capizzi, III  
Justin Line—grandson of Lois “Bud” Porth  
Kristi Bolton—friend of the Community  
Emory Rush—friend of the Community  
Winnie Rickenbaker—friend of Doug and Lynn Doster  
Billy Price—cousin of Doris Giese  
Glenda Goings—cousin of Doris Giese  
Alison Weeks—Daughter-in-law of Perry and Martha Ann Weeks  
Mack Shirer—brother of Martha Ann Weeks