

Resurrection Lutheran Church

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“ Next Sunday: Corbin Johnson and Barbara Haigler
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Ushers: William Robinson, Capt., John Corley, Hank Rhame, and Reed Salley

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

Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 8, 2024

PRELUDE

SHARING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

**Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.**

Gracious God,

have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

**The cravings at war within us
cause conflicts and disputes.**

**In our desire to be first
we make distinctions among ourselves.**

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need,
and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

God promises to forgive our iniquity
and to remember our sin no more.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of † Jesus Christ,

the source of eternal healing,

your sins are forgiven.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN NO: 731

EARTH AND ALL STARS

GREETING

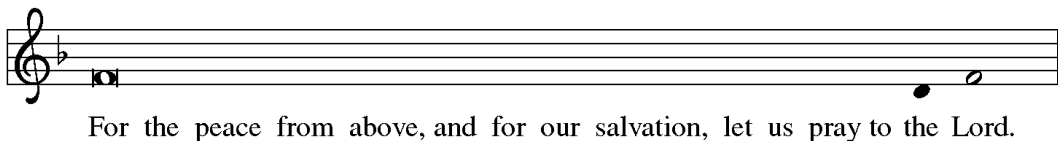
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

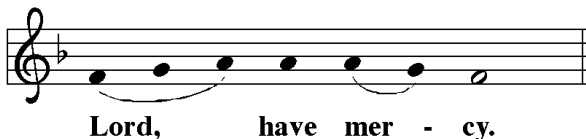
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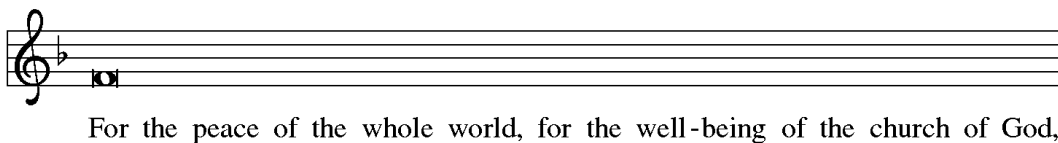
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



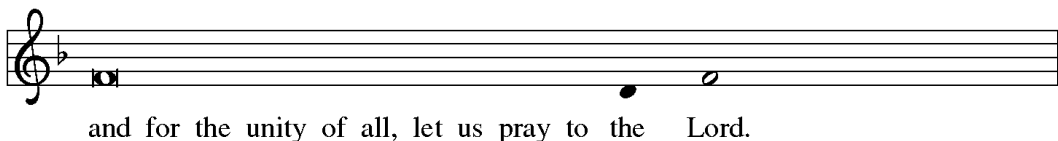
For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



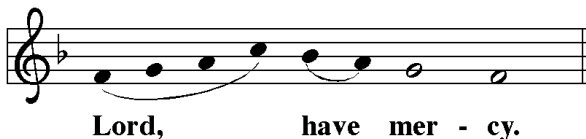
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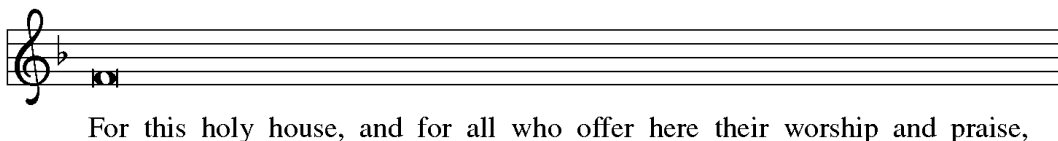
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



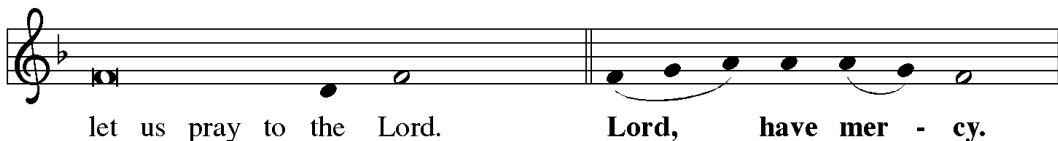
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



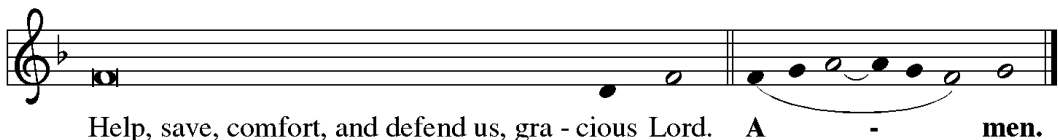
Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord. A - men.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav - en - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther,



we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.



Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;



you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, throughout the ages you transform sickness into health and death into life. Open us to the power of your presence, and make us a people ready to proclaim your promises to the whole world, through Jesus Christ, our healer and Lord.

Amen.

WORD Children's Message



FIRST READING: Isaiah 35:4-7a

⁴Say to those who are of a fearful heart, “Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.” ⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; ⁶then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; ^{7a}the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 146

(sung responsively—cantor beginning)

¹Hallelujah!

Praise the LORD, | O my soul!

²**I will praise the LORD as long | as I live;**

I will sing praises to my God while I | have my being.

³Put not your | trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there | is no help.

⁴**When they breathe their last, they re- | turn to earth,
and in that day | their thoughts perish. R**

⁵Happy are they who have the God of Jacob | for their help,
whose hope is in the | LORD their God;

⁶**who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that | is in them;
who keeps promis- | es forever;**

⁷who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to | those who hunger.
The LORD sets the | captive free.

**⁸The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who | are bowed down;
the LORD | loves the righteous.**

⁹The LORD cares | for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way | of the wicked.

**¹⁰The LORD shall | reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. | Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING: James 2:1-10 [11-13] 14-17

¹My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ²For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," ⁴have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? ⁸You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ⁹But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. [¹¹For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. ¹²So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. ¹³For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.] ¹⁴What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the seventh chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus] set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice,²⁵but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷He said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” ²⁸But she answered him, “Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” ²⁹Then he said to her, “For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.” ³⁰So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, “Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.” ³⁵And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷They were astounded beyond measure, saying, “He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Eric S. Little

HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 612

HEALER OF OUR EVERY ILL

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

SPECIAL MUSIC

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus,
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 your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,
Trusting in your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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. 673

GOD, WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Kick off to Sunday School...

join us for breakfast at 10:00 am in the fellowship Hall . We will be celebrating the beginning of a new Sunday School year.

Council meeting...

All council members are requested to attend the scheduled meeting on Sunday, September 15, 2024 at 12:00 pm. If you cannot attend, please let Bayne Haigler, our council chair, or the pastor know. **NOTE:** This is a change of date.

Bible Study...

starts back this week on Sept. 9, 2024.

Calling all men of the parish...

Lutheran Men in Mission will meet on September 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. for a dinner and planning session in the fellowship hall. We want to hear your ideas and get your input to continue to move our group forward. The Menu will be: Jim Gate's famous chicken bog, vegetables and dessert. You are asked to intentionally invite another man of the parish to come also. Come enjoy good food, fellowship, and share your ideas.

Save the date...

The Blood Connection will be here, at Resurrection Lutheran Church, on September 16, 2024. You can pre-register and answer questions if you have previously given blood with the Blood Connection, using the donor number they gave you. If you have any questions, contact Sharon Polin at (803)516-1864.

Choir Practice...

will be resuming for the fall on Wednesday, September 11 at 7:30 pm. We would like to have members of the church, especially any women, to come and join us for the next church year. A great talent is not needed, just the willingness to give a couple of hours a week.

You are invited to....

attend the "Seekers" adult Sunday School Class (formally known as the "Crazy Eights") for an informal discussion each week in the room nearest the back door of the parish building. During this time, we discuss the day's lessons, as we "seek" to discern their meaning and how the scriptures speak to us as they impact our faith journey. Adults of **all** ages are welcome! Come give us a try!



Memorials Given to St. Matthew's Lutheran Church

*In Memory of
Cecile Sikes Smith*

Given by:

Tony and Kim Cooke
Faye Lee
Frank Heape

Heber and Gloria Rast
Emily Heape

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

Today	10:00 am	Breakfast: RLC
Monday	7:00 pm	Bible Study: SMLC
Tuesday	7:00 pm	LMM: RLC
Wednesday	10:00 am	Bible Study: RLC
Next Sunday	9:00 am	Worship: SMLC
	10:00 am	Sunday School: SMLC
	10:00 am	Sunday School: RLC
	11:00 am	Worship: RLC
	12:00 pm	Council Meeting: RLC



MEMBERS:

Barbara Corley
Chris Philpot

MILITARY:

Andrew Pekarek

SC SYNOD STAFF:

Deacon Kimberly Heindl,
Asst. to the Bishop

Rev. Rick Carter,
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
Nancy Whetstone—relative of Kathy Stowe
Olivia S. Daniels—friend of the Community
Patsy Brooks—friend of Esther Dufford
Courtney Line—granddaughter of Lois “Bud” Porth
Bill Epting—friend of Gwen Fulmer
Eleanor Bassett—friend of Caroline Porth
Matthew Wannamaker—friend of Gary Porth
Rhett Tindall—friend of Larry Barwick
Megan Lucas—sister of Katie Haigler
Beth Stone—daughter of Cecile Smith
Julie Crider Layton—friend of Gwen Fulmer
Justin Line—grandson of Lois “Bud” Porth
Mack Shirer—brother of Martha Ann Weeks
Carolyn Dietrich—friend of Monty and Kathy Rast
Kay D. Lancaster—friend of Doris Giese
Roy Lockett—friend of Gary Porth
Gwynette La-Terra—friend of Larry Barwick
Alison Weeks—Daughter-in-law of Perry and Martha Ann Weeks
Harold Nalley—grandfather of Erin Burch and Ansley Turnblad
John Jones—nephew of Frank and Emily Heape
Rhea Kelsall—friend of Peggy Hirth
Frances Huffman—friend of Doris Giese
Mamie Mills—aunt of Doris Giese
Kathy J. Wiles—Community Friend
Matthew Lizewski—friend of Gary Porth
Barbara Ryder—friend of Larry Barwick
David Mellon—brother of Chris Philpot
Jerry Sands—nephew of Frank and Emily Heape
Gwen Huffman—friends of the Community
Marty Williams—friend of the Community
Emily Knobeloch—friend of the Nell Felkel
Beth Downtin—niece of the Reta Westbury