

# St. Matthew's Lutheran Church

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Welcome to.....

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church

**Homecoming 2024**

Please greet one another in the  
love of our Savior!

*We celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion today  
which is open to all baptized believers of Jesus Christ.*

Pastor

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

# Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina

*Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost*

*October 20, 2024*

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## **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.**

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

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.**

Beloved of God: your sins are forgiven † and you are made whole.  
God points the way to new life in Christ, who meets us on the road.  
Journey now in God's abiding love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**GATHERING HYMN NO: 641**

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

## **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.**

## **KYRIE**

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**HYMN OF PRAISE: “This is the feast....”**

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## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Sovereign God, you turn your greatness into goodness for all the peoples on earth. Shape us into willing servants of your kingdom, and make us desire always and only your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## **WORD**

# **Children’s Message**



## **FIRST READING: Isaiah 53:4-12**

<sup>4</sup>Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. <sup>6</sup>All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. <sup>8</sup>By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. <sup>9</sup>They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. <sup>10</sup>Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the LORD shall prosper. <sup>11</sup>Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. <sup>12</sup>Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM: Psalm 91:9-16** (read responsively)

<sup>9</sup>Because you have made the | LORD your refuge,  
and the Most High your | habitation,

<sup>10</sup>**no evil | will befall you,  
nor shall affliction come | near your dwelling.**

<sup>11</sup>For God will give the angels charge | over you,  
to guard you in | all your ways.

<sup>12</sup>**Upon their hands they will | bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.**

<sup>13</sup>You will tread upon the lion | cub and viper;  
you will trample down the lion | and the serpent.

<sup>14</sup>**I will deliver those who | cling to me;  
I will uphold them, because they | know my name.**

<sup>15</sup>They will call me, and I will | answer them;  
I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue and | honor them.

<sup>16</sup>**With long life will I | satisfy them,  
and show them | my salvation.**

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:1-10**

<sup>1</sup>Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. <sup>2</sup>He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; <sup>3</sup>and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. <sup>4</sup>And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. <sup>5</sup>So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”; <sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place, “You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek.” <sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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 tenth chapter.

### **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>35</sup>James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” <sup>36</sup>And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” <sup>37</sup>And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” <sup>39</sup>They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” <sup>41</sup>When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. <sup>42</sup>So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. <sup>43</sup>But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, <sup>44</sup>and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

The gospel of the Lord.

### **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## **SERMON**

Pastor Eric Little

## **HYMN OF THE DAY NO: 524**

**WHAT IS THIS PLACE?**

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

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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 your 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**

## **SPECIAL MUSIC**

**"O CHRIST THE SAME"**

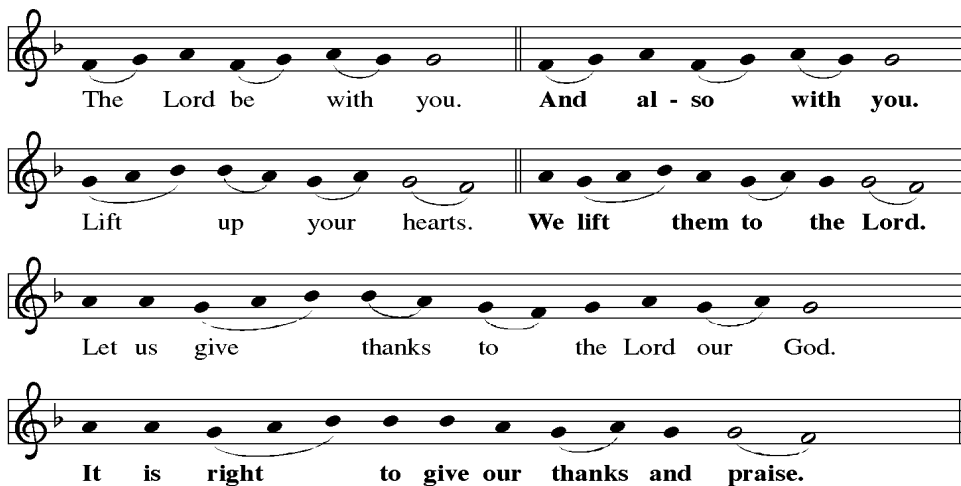
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**"Praise God, from Whom..."**

## **OFFERING PRAYER**

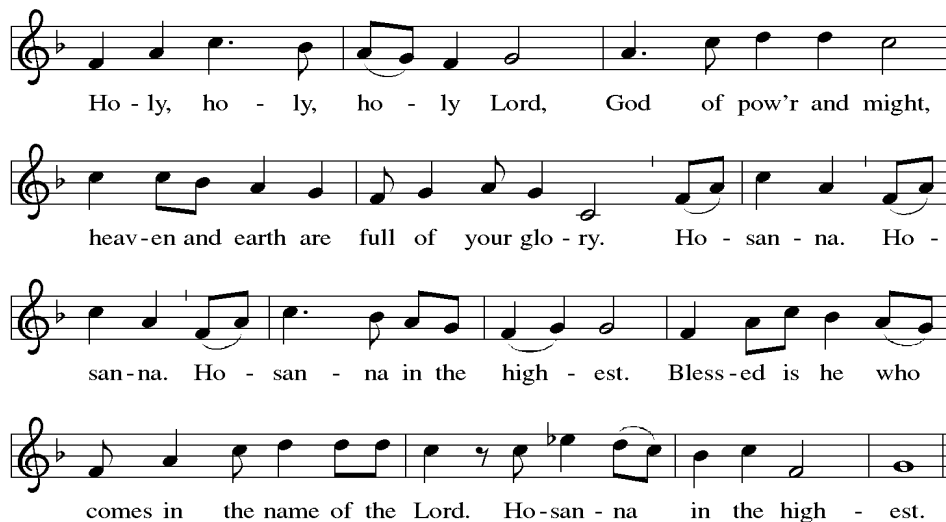


## DIALOGUE



The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift 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'r and might,  
heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -  
san-na. 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.

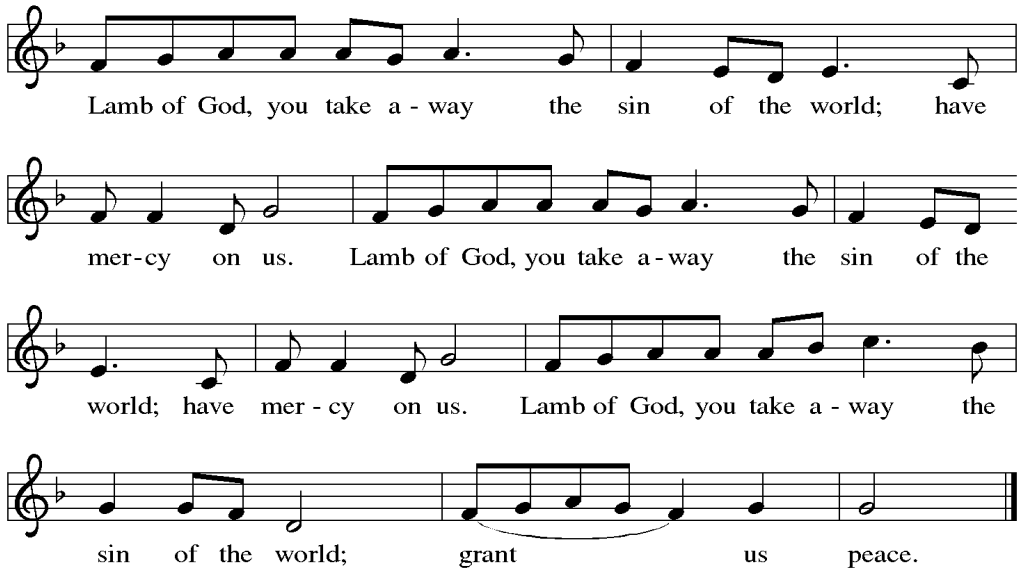
## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

### EUCHARISTIC PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

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### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

## COMMUNION SONG



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

## HOLY COMMUNION

### 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: 536**

**GOD BE WITH US TIL WE MEET AGAIN**

#### DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God.**





### **Welcome Home...**

We welcome you to St. Matthew's Homecoming Service and invite you to stay for lunch afterwards.

### **No Bible Study...**

There will be no bible study this week while the Pastor attends fall Convocation at Lutheridge.

### **It's Budget Time Again...**

Resurrection's finance committee will be working on the 2025 budget for council's recommendation and the congregation's approval soon. We request all committees get their 2025 budget requests in to the chairman of the finance committee, Pat Black (patblackjr@aol.com) as soon as possible.

### **Trunk or Treat...**

The youth of Resurrection Lutheran Church invite you to Trunk or Treat on Wednesday, October 23, 2024. The decorating of trunks will be at 6:00pm followed by Trunk or Treating at 6:30 pm at the RLC back parking lot. All church members are invited to participate. LMM will be providing hamburgers after the Trunk or Treat time.

### **Poinsettia and World Hunger Slips...**

are on the table outside of the fellowship hall. The poinsettias will cost \$17.00 and will be in the church starting Sunday, December 8, 2024. If you would like to place one in honor or in memory of someone, please fill out a slip and place it into the offering plate as soon as possible to allow for an accurate count and to assure that no one is left out. The deadline to order Poinsettias is Sunday, October 27, 2024 and the World Hunger Offering deadline is Sunday, December 1, 2024.

### **Council highlights...**

of the October 13 council meeting are on the table outside of the fellowship hall.

## SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 20, 2024

Wednesday	6:00	pm	Trunk or Treat: RLC
	7:30	pm	Choir Practice: RLC
Next Sunday	9:00	am	Worship: SMLC
	10:00	am	Sunday School: SMLC
	10:00	am	Children's choir practice: RLC
	10:00	am	Sunday School: RLC
	11:00	am	Worship: 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  
Zack James—friend of Heber and Gloria Rast  
Roy Lockett—friend of Gary Porth  
Gwynette La-Terra—friend of Larry Barwick  
Alison Weeks—Daughter-in-law of Perry and Martha Ann Weeks  
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  
Emily Knobloch—friend of the Nell Felkel  
Beth Downtin—niece of the Reta Westbury  
Karen Kennedy—cousin of the Mickey Weeks  
Kristi Bolton—Cameron resident  
Denton Ussery—father of Mitzi Weeks