

Resurrection Lutheran Church

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 “ Next Sunday: Hayne and Ann Haigler
Nursery: Catherine Austin and Deborah Porth
 “ Next Sunday: Emily Ann Evans and Sarah Haigler
Acolyte and Crucifer Will Bozard and Megan Bozard
 “ Next Sunday: Ella Bea Austin and Arleigh Nickel
Altar Guild: Sherry Houck, Rhonda Polin, and Sharon Polin
 “ Next Month: Lois Johnson and Mary Jo Spiers
“Ushers: Jim Gates, Capt., Brad Stowe, Ryan Haigler, and Edward Rast
 “ Next Month: Josh Johnson, Capt., Reed Salley, Keith Haigler, and Danny Philpot

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

Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 26, 2025

PRELUDE

SHARING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
our creator,
our protector,
our wellspring of life.

Amen.

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

**Forgive us for the ways we act
with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.**

We ignore the needs of our neighbors;

we resist your call to oppose injustice;

we give in to scarcity and fear;

we assume the worst about one another.

Cleanse us from our faults

and release us from their grasp.

Show us your lovingkindness.

**Restore our hearts and repair your world,
that we may live in Christ's ways.**

Amen.

God proclaims these words of assurance:

“Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name. You are mine.”

In † Christ, you are forgiven.

In the Spirit, you are made free.

Refreshed by the waters of mercy,

live anew as beloved children of God.

Amen.

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**PAGE 203****CANTICLE OF PRAISE****PAGE 204****PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**FIRST READING: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10**

¹All the people [of Israel] gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. ²Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. ³He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. ⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. ⁶Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground. ⁸So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. ⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. ¹⁰Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions

of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 19 (sung responsively)

¹The heavens declare the glo- | ry of God,
and the sky proclaims its | maker’s handiwork.

²**One day tells its tale | to another,
and one night imparts knowledge | to another.**

³Although they have no | words or language,
and their voices | are not heard,

⁴**their sound has gone out into all lands, and their message to the ends | of
the world, where God has pitched a tent | for the sun.**

⁵It comes forth like a bridegroom out | of his chamber;
it rejoices like a champion to | run its course.

⁶**It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens and runs about to the
end of | it again; nothing is hidden from its | burning heat.**

⁷The teaching of the LORD is perfect and re- | vives the soul;
the testimony of the LORD is sure and gives wisdom | to the simple.

⁸**The statutes of the LORD are just and re- | joice the heart;
the commandment of the LORD is clear and gives light | to the eyes.**

⁹The fear of the LORD is clean and en- | dures forever;
the judgments of the LORD are true and righteous | altogether.

¹⁰**More to be desired are they than gold, more than | much fine gold,
sweeter far than honey, than honey | in the comb.**

¹¹By them also is your ser- | vant enlightened,
and in keeping them there is | great reward.

¹²**Who can detect one’s | own offenses?
Cleanse me from my | secret faults.**

¹³Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins; let them not get
dominion | over me; then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent
of a | great offense.

¹⁴**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be
acceptable | in your sight, O LORD, my strength and | my redeemer.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

¹²For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. ¹⁴Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot would say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear would say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. ²⁷Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ^{31a}But strive for the greater gifts.

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. Luke, the fourth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁴Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. ¹⁶When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: ¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” ²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, “Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Eric Little

HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 717

LET JUSTICE FLOW LIKE STREAMS

APOSTLES' CREED

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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

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

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. 866 (RLC) 551 (SMLC)

DISMISSAL

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



Memorials Given to
Resurrection Lutheran Church

In Memory of
Denton Ussery

Given by:
Lois "Bud" Porth Tracy and Rosie Poston

In Memory of
Jeanne C Rast

Given by:
Jan Bull Burgess Pat and Kathy Black

In Memory of
Elizabeth Arlene Burns

Given by:
Tracy Burns (daughter) Sloan Burns (son)

Announcements

All committees to meet....

today right after morning worship. A light lunch prepared by LMM will be served. Each committee is to make plans for the upcoming year.

2025 Offering Envelopes...

have been relocated to the front pew of the sanctuary. Thanks for using the envelopes. When offerings are tallied, envelopes aid in proper recording. Many thanks for all of your contributions throughout the year!

Blood Connection...

Please save the date of Wednesday, March 12, 2025. The Blood Connection will be at Resurrection Lutheran Church on that day. There must be a minimum of 56 days between blood donations. Therefore, if you give on or after Sunday, January 12, you will not be eligible to give through the church.

Thank you...

Heber and Gloria would like to express their sincere thanks to everyone for their thoughts, prayers, support and many acts of kindness shown to us during Heber's recuperation. Your love and prayers were certainly felt, and we are blessed to live in such a caring community. Many thanks to all, Heber and Gloria Rast

Highlights....

of the January 12, 2025 council meeting are on the table outside of the fellowship hall.

Your choir needs your help....

we need more voices, especially female voices, in our choir. We practice on Sunday before the church service until Lent in which case we will practice after the Wednesday night service to prepare for Easter. Please consider offering your gifts so we can continue to raise a joyful noise to the Lord. Please see C B with any questions or to offer your help.

What is your favorite Bible verse?

-- We would like to assemble a devotional guide for Lent composed by our own members. We are requesting you to tell us what your favorite bible verse is, (or favorite bible verses or those that are meaningful to you). You can have more than one. In fact, the more the merrier. What we simply as is that you write either why your bible verse is your favorite or meaningful, or a brief story about why it means so much to you. Then **write a very brief sentence prayer**. You can hand write it and give it to the secretary, email it to the office, or even invite the pastor over or call him and he will write it down for you. Please help with this wonderful Lenten spiritual discipline.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 26, 2025

Today	10:30 am	Choir Practice: RLC
	12:00 pm	Church Committee Meetings: RLC
Monday	7:00 pm	Bible Study: SMLC
Wednesday	10:00 am	Bible Study: 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
	10:30 am	Choir Practice: RLC
	11:00 am	Worship: RLC

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF THE PARISH:



MEMBERS:

Barbara Corley
Chris Philpot
Frank Gruetzmacher

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

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
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
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 Knobeloch—friend of the Nell Felkel
Beth Downtin—niece of the Reta Westbury
Karen Kennedy—cousin of the Mickey Weeks
Tasha Gaffney—friend of John Capizzi
Shirley Fox Irick—niece of Doris Giese
Beth Irick Kuck—niece of Doris Giese
Gregg Culler—friend of Mitzi and Mickey Weeks
Rick Collins—friend of Gwen Fulmer
Bess Holloman—friend of the Community
Delane Cochran—friend of the Community