

Resurrection Lutheran Church

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“ Next Sunday:..... Sandy Houck
Altar Flowers:..... Lent-no flowers
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Nursery:.....Olivia Salley and Emily Haigler
“ Next Sunday:.....Brenda McLellan and Natalie Grace Porth
Acolyte and Crucifer..... Ella Bea Austin
“ Next Sunday:..... Henry Johnson
Altar Guild:..... Venis Holstad, Dianne McKeowen, and Donna Rhame
“ Next Month:..... Emily Ann Evans, Kristen Evans, Catherine Austin,
..... Amanda Alidsen, Kathy Black, and Laurin Evans
“Ushers:.....Hank Rhame, Capt., Breck Burch, Ryan Haigler,
.....Edward Shuler, and Perry Weeks
“ Next Month:..... Wayne Rast, Pat Black, Brett Evans, William Robinson, and Parker Shaw

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

Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina

Third Sunday in Lent

March 23, 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.

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 NO: 445 (RLC) 756 (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

Let us pray.

Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD
Children's Message

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:1-9**

¹ Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ² Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³ Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴ See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵ See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you. ⁶ Seek the LORD while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; ⁷ let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. ⁸ For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. ⁹ For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 63:1-8 (spoken responsively)

¹ O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you;
 my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

**²Therefore I have gazed upon you in your | holy place,
that I might behold your power | and your glory.**

³For your steadfast love is better than | life itself;
my lips shall | give you praise.

**⁴So will I bless you as long | as I live
and lift up my hands | in your name.**

⁵My spirit is content, as with the rich- | est of foods,
and my mouth praises you with | joyful lips,

**⁶when I remember you up- | on my bed,
and meditate on you in | the night watches.**

⁷For you have | been my helper,
and under the shadow of your wings I | will rejoice.

**⁸My whole being | clings to you;
your right hand | holds me fast.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

¹I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, ²and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. ⁵Nevertheless, God was not pleased with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. ⁶Now these things occurred as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil as they did. ⁷Do not become idolaters as some of them did; as it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink, and they rose up to play.” ⁸We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. ⁹We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did, and were destroyed by serpents. ¹⁰And do not complain as some of them did, and were destroyed by the destroyer. ¹¹These things happened to them to serve as an example, and they were written down to instruct us, on whom the ends of the ages have come. ¹²So if you think you are standing, watch out that you do not fall. ¹³No testing has overtaken you that is not common to everyone. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Let your stead-fast love come to us, O Lord.



Save us as you prom-ised; we will trust your word.

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the thirteenth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹At that very time there were some present who told him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices.²[Jesus] asked them, “Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were worse sinners than all other Galileans?”³No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish as they did. ⁴Or those eighteen who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them—do you think that they were worse offenders than all the others living in Jerusalem? ⁵No, I tell you; but unless you repent, you will all perish just as they did.” ⁶Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came looking for fruit on it and found none. ⁷So he said to the gardener, ‘See here! For three years I have come looking for fruit on this fig tree, and still I find none. Cut it down! Why should it be wasting the soil?’ ⁸He replied, ‘Sir, let it alone for one more year, until I dig around it and put manure on it. ⁹If it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down.’”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Eric Little

HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 624 (RLC)

508 (SMLC)

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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. 658 (RLC) 618 (SMLC)

DISMISSAL

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

Bible Study...

will resume after the season of Lent.

Lenten Worship Services...

Weekly services are scheduled for 7:00 pm each Wednesday evening at Resurrection Lutheran Church. Dinner precedes the service at 6:00 pm. The Lenten offering will go to Luther Disaster Response of the Carolinas to assist in Hurricane recovery.

Lutherridge Day Camp is RETURNING...

We will have Day Camp at RLC June 16-20, 2025. Registration is now open to all rising first through rising sixth grades. Forms are on the table near fellowship hall. Cost is \$100 per child. If you have any questions, please contact Olivia Salley at olivia.burttram@gmail.com or by calling (843)909-4541.

Easter Lily Forms...

are located on the table near fellowship hall. The price is \$17.00 and all orders must be turned in by Sunday, March 30, 2025.

Our 2025 Lenten Devotions...

are now available to pick up at church. They are at various places and have a bright pink color cover. If you would like to have one delivered electronically, please let the office know.

Summer Camp...

Would you like to go away to Summer Camp? Registration is open for NovusWay Summer Camps (Lutherridge, Lutherrock and Luthersprings). There is still time to register. Go to <http://www.novusway.org/summer-camps> to peruse their offering dates and to sign up. Consider going with a bunch of friends! We support our Day Camp quite well and want to continue to do so, but some may also want to go away for a week--especially those who have aged out of Day Camp.

Synod Assembly...

This year's assembly will be June 12-14 2025, in North Charleston, SC. We need voting members to represent the church. Resurrection is allowed 3 voting members and 1 additional voting member who is under the age of 30. Pastor Eric is a voting member because he is a rostered minister in the South Carolina Synod. If you are interested, please let our council chair, Richard Smith, or Pastor Eric know.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 23, 2025

Today	10:30 am	Choir Practice: RLC
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Lenten Supper: RLC
	7:00 pm	Lenten Service: 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
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

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
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
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
Gregg Culler—friend of Mitzi and Mickey Weeks
Rick Collins—friend of Gwen Fulmer
Delane Cochran—friend of the Community
Janina Grimsley—sister of the Larry Barwick
Kay D. Lancaster—friend of Doris Giese
Pinckney Thompson—friend of the Community
Jimmy Edwards—friend of the Doug Doster
David (Shack) Felkel—friend of the Doris Giese