

| Pastor: ······ Rev. Eric Little |
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| Organist: ······CB Bull |
| Cantor: ······ Kim Little |
| Lay Assistant: Db Rast |
| " Next Sunday: •••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••• |
| Altar Flowers: |
| " Next Sunday: Lois Porth and Gwen Fulmer |
| Nursery: |
| " Next Sunday: Deborah Porth and Arleigh Nickel |
| Acolyte and Crucifer |
| " Next Sunday: Finley Evans and Barbara Haigler |
| Altar Guild: Emily Ann Evans, Kristen Evans, Catherine Austin, |
| Kathy Black, and Laurin Evans |
| " Next Month:Katie Haigler and Somer Lynne Haigler |
| "Ushers: """ Wayne Rast, Pat Black, Brett Evans, William Robinson, and Parker Shaw |
| " Next Month:Brad Stowe, Capt., |
| Bryan Baldwin, Jim Gates, and Monty Rast |

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

Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina

Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 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.**

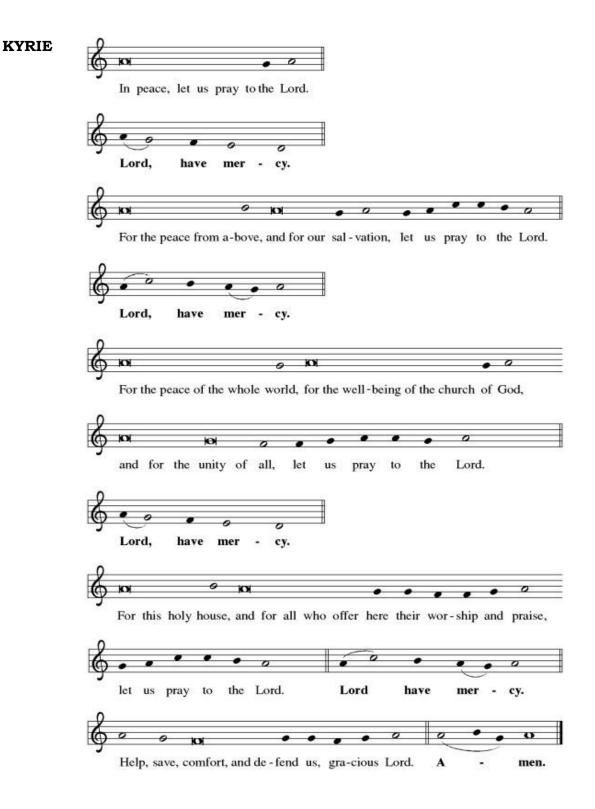
GATHERING HYMN NO: 361

THE DAY OF RESURRECTION!

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.



HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God of life, you reach out to us amid our fears with the wounded hands of your risen Son. By your Spirit's breath revive our faith in your mercy, and strengthen us to be the body of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

word Children's Message

FIRST READING: Acts 5:27-32

²⁷When they had brought [the apostles,] they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 118:14-29

(sung responsively—cantor begins)

¹⁴The LORD is my strength | and my song, and has become | my salvation.

¹⁵Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents | of the righteous: "The right hand of the | LORD acts valiantly!

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD | is exalted! The right hand of the | LORD acts valiantly!"
¹⁷I shall not | die, but live,

and declare the works | of the LORD.

¹⁸The LORD indeed pun- | ished me sorely, but did not hand me o- | ver to death. ¹⁹Open for me the | gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks | to the LORD.

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<sup>20</sup>"This is the gate | of the LORD;
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here the righ- | teous may enter."

²¹I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me and you have become | my salvation.

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<sup>22</sup>The stone that the build- | ers rejected has become the chief | cornerstone.
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<sup>23</sup>By the LORD has | this been done;
it is marvelous | in our eyes.
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<sup>24</sup>This is the day that the | LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be | glad in it.
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<sup>25</sup>Hosanna! | O LORD, save us!
We pray to you, LORD, pros- | per our days!
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²⁶Blessed is the one who comes in the name | of the LORD; we bless you from the house | of the LORD.

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<sup>27</sup>The LORD is God and has giv- | en us light.
Form a procession with branches up to the corners | of the altar.
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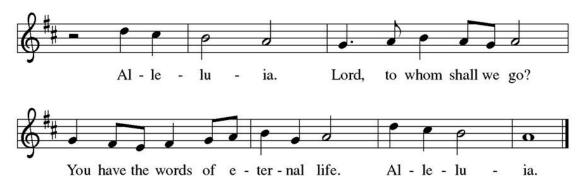
²⁸You are my God, and | I will thank you; you are my God, and I | will exalt you.
²⁹Give thanks to the LORD, for the | LORD is good; God's mercy en- | dures forever.

SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4-8

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**



The Holy Gospel according to St. John the twentieth chapter. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." ²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." ³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Eric Little

HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 860

I'M SO GLAD JESUS LIFTED ME

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

ANTHEM

"CHRIST AROSE"

ADULT CHOIR

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

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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.**

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SENDING HYMN NO. 534 SAVIOR, AGAIN TO YOUR DEAR NAME

DISMISSAL

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

Lutheridge 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.

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.

Bible Studies...

for both RLC and SMLC will resume on Mon., April 28, 2025 at SMLC at 7:00 pm and Wed., April 30, 2025 at 10:00 am at RLC.

Lenten Offering...

Through your contributions, \$1,598 was collected for Lutheran Disaster Response Carolinas. Thank you for your generosity! This money will go directly toward helping with hurricane and fire relief in North and South Carolina! If you would like to help with this worthwhile cause, you may continue to contribute through May 11. Please mark your contribution to Lenten Offering or LDR Carolinas.

Lutheran Men...

will be serving breakfast on Sunday, May 11, 2025 to honor mother's and/or any mother figures for Mother's Day.

RLC Youth Group...

will be leading our worship service on Sunday, May 11, 2025. Please, join us and hear what God has for our youth to share about his word.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 27, 2025

| 10:30 | am | Choir Practice: RLC |
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| 7:00 | pm | Bible Study: SMLC |
| 10:00 | am | Bible Study: RLC |
| 9:00 | am | Worship: SMLC |
| 10:00 | am | Sunday School: SMLC |
| 10:00 | am | Children's Choir Practice: RLC |
| 10:30 | am | Adult Choir Practice: RLC |
| 10:00 | am | Sunday School: RLC |
| 11:00 | am | Worship: RLC |
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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 Garv 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-friend of the Community Emilv Knobeloch-friend of Nell Felkel Karen Kennedy-cousin of 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 Larry Barwick Kay D. Lancaster-friend of Doris Giese Pinckney Thompson-friend of the Community Jimmy Edwards-friend of Doug Doster David (Shack) Felkel-friend of Doris Giese Donnie Fulmer-husband of Gwen Fulmer Kathy Wiles-friend of the Community Kathryn Lamar-mother of Kathy Rast and grandmother of Ansley and Erin Rosie Such-friend of the Barwick's Jennifer Davies-family of the Barwick's

Remember On, Drayer

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Andrew Pekarek

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