

Pastor:Rev. Eric Little
Organist: CB Bull
Cantor: Db Rast
Lay Assistant(s):Brett Evans
" Next Sunday: Kathy Black
Altar Flowers:Reed and Olivia Salley
" Next Sunday:Wayne and Beth Rast
Nursery: Amanda Johnson and Megan Bozard
" Next Sunday:Beth Shuler and Barbara Haigler
Acolyte and CruciferBryson Baldwin and Anna Briggs Evans
" Next Sunday:Kinsey Stowe and Jordyn Baldwin
Altar Guild:
" Next Month: Mitzi Weeks, Beth Shuler, and Martha Ann Weeks
"Ushers: Brad Stowe, Capt., Bryan Baldwin, Jim Gates, and Monty Rast
" Next Month: Fred Austin, Capt., Jonathan McLellan, Mickey Weeks, and Doug Doster

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Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 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.

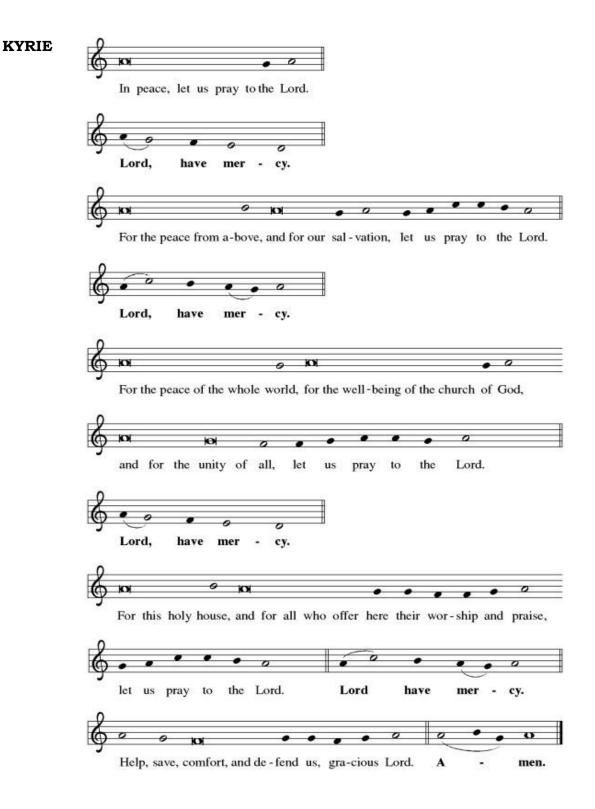
In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN NO: 834 IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

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.

Bountiful God, you gather your people into your realm, and you promise us food from your tree of life. Nourish us with your word, that empowered by your Spirit we may love one another and the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.



FIRST READING: Acts 16:9-15

⁹During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." ¹⁰When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

¹¹We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, ¹²and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. ¹³On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. ¹⁴A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. ¹⁵When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 67 (sung responsively—cantor begins)

¹May God be merciful to I us and bless us; may the light of God's face I shine upon us.

²Let your way be known | upon earth, your saving health a- | mong all nations.

- ³Let the peoples praise | you, O God; let all the | peoples praise you.
- ⁴Let the nations be glad and | sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity

and guide all the na- \mid tions on earth.

- ⁵Let the peoples | praise you, O God; let all the | peoples praise you.
 ⁶The earth has brought | forth its
- increase; God, our own | God, has blessed us.

⁷May God | give us blessing, and may all the ends of the earth | stand in awe.



SECOND READING: Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

¹⁰And in the spirit [one of the angels] carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God.

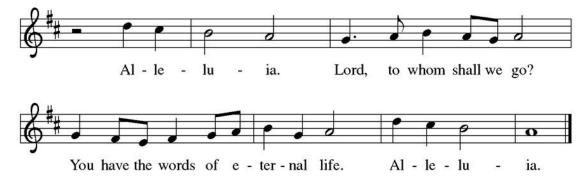
²²I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. ²³And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. ²⁴The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. ²⁵Its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²⁶People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. ²⁷But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

^{22:1}Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ²through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; ⁴they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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

²³Jesus answered [Judas (not Iscariot),] "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. ²⁹And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

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The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.
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SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 860 (RLC) 804 (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

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. 866 (RLC) 815 (SMLC)

DISMISSAL

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

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"Praise God, from Whom ... "

Day Camp Snacks...

A sign-up sheet for Lutheridge Day Camp snacks is located on the table next to the fellowship hall. Please put all donated snacks in the youth Sunday school room across from the fellowship hall by Sunday, June 8th. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact Olivia Salley (843)909-4541 or Somer Lynne Haigler (803)928-9540.

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.

Calling VBS Volunteers...

If you feel called to volunteer for VBS this year, please put your name on the sign up sheet that is located on the table next to the fellowship hall.

The Prayer List...

is overflowing and some names have been on it for some time. Therefore, if there is anyone on the prayer list that has been improving and/or have been on the list for a long time and can be removed, please let Pastor Eric and/or Somer Lynne know.

Council meeting...

All council members are requested to attend the regularly scheduled meeting On Sunday, June 8, 2025 right after the morning worship service. If you cannot attend, please let Richard Smith, our council chair, or the pastor know.



June 16-20

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 25, 2025

Today	10:30	am
Next Sunday	9:00	am
	10:00	am
	10:30	am
	10:00	am
	11:00	am

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MEMBERS:

Barbara Corley Chris Philpot Frank Gruetzmacher Frank Heape Libby Mizzelle Richard Smith

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

)	am	Choir Practice: RLC
	am	Worship: SMLC
)	am	Sunday School: SMLC
)	am	Adult Choir Practice: RLC
)	am	Sunday School: RLC
)	am	Worship: RLC

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF THE PARISH:

Carol Rivers-wife of Delmar Rivers Nancy Whetstone-relative of Kathy Stowe 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 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 Emily 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 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 David Adden-friend of the Community Nan Barwick-mother of Larry Barwick

Family of Kathryn "Kitty" Baxley-mother of Lynn Doster and grandmother of Brantley Doster