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Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish Cameron, South Carolina

Second Sunday after Pentecost

June 22, 2025

PRELUDE

SHARING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross as the presiding minister begins.

In the name of the Father, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Baptized into Christ, let us confess our sin.

Merciful God,
you free us to love others,
but we neglect our neighbors and follow our own way.
You lead us by the Spirit of joy and peace,
but we turn away from the abundant life you offer.
You surround us with patience, kindness,
and generosity,
but we grow weary in doing what is right.
In your mercy, forgive us.
Do not give up on us.
Heal us, break our bonds,
and show us the path of life.

Silence is kept for reflection.

You belong to Christ Jesus and you are God's children through faith. In the cross of + Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, your sins are forgiven. Clothed with Christ, you are a new creation. **Amen**

GATHERING HYMN NO. 445 (RLC)

522 (SMLC)

GREETING

Amen.

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



- 1 Have mer-cy on us, Lord, and hear our sol-emn prayer.
- 2 Have mer-cy on us, Christ, and wash a way our sin.
- 3 Have mer-cy on us, Lord; make sin and shame de part.



We come to hear your liv-ing word; it saves us from de-spair. Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may be - gin. Re - new us with your sav-ing pow'r; cre - ate in us new hearts!

CANTICLE OF PRAISE



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for ev er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho-ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth: Son of God and gra-cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove; Ho - ly One in faith we name you, throned on high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise. on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand. Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise. Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom-ise firm we stand. For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, we bring before you the cries of a sorrowing world. In your mercy set us free from the chains that bind us, and defend us from everything that is evil, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.



FIRST READING: ISAIAH 65:1-9

¹I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. ²I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; ³ a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; 4 who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; 5 who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. 6 See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps 7 their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the LORD; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. 8 Thus says the LORD: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. 9 I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 22:19-28 (sung responsively)

- ¹⁹ But you, O LORD, be not | far away; O my help, hasten | to my aid.
- 20 Deliver me | from the sword, my life from the power | of the dog.

- ²¹ Save me from the | lion's mouth!

 From the horns of wild bulls you have | rescued me.
 - ²² I will declare your name | to my people; in the midst of the assembly | I will praise you.
- ²³ You who fear the LORD, give praise! All you of Jacob's | line, give glory. Stand in awe of the LORD, all you off- | spring of Israel.
- ²⁴ For the LORD does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty; neither is the LORD's face hid- | den from them; but when they cry out, | the LORD hears them.
- ²⁵ From you comes my praise in the | great assembly; I will perform my vows in the sight of those who | fear the LORD.
- 26 The poor shall eat † and be satisfied, Let those who seek the LORD give praise! May your hearts † live forever!
- ²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn | to the LORD; all the families of nations shall bow | before God.
 - ²⁸ For dominion belongs | to the LORD, who rules o- | ver the nations.

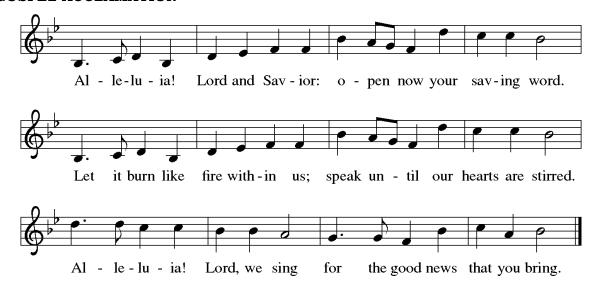
SECOND READING: Galatians 3:23-29

²³ Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, ²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. ²⁷ As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. ²⁸ There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. ²⁹ And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the eighth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁶Then [Jesus and his disciples] arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. 27 As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—29 for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) 30 Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. 31 They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. ³² Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³ Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.34 When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. ³⁷ Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. 38 The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away,

saying, ³⁹ "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON Pastor Eric Little

HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 843 PRAISE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THE DARKNESS

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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. 798

WILL YOU COME AND FOLLOW ME

DISMISSAL

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



VBS...

The VBS committee would like to thank everyone who helped make Vacation Bible School a success. About 67 children attended. We raised \$787.00 for the Risen Gazelle. We are looking forward to next year.

Lutheridge Day Camp...

was a success. There were 37 children and 6 counselors that attended this weeks day camp. The counselors planned activities for the children to participate in at the church. In addition to in church activities were: going to the Max to jump/laser tag, Bleu Market ice cream truck, Pelican's Snoballs, and the famous water slide. Thank you to all that helped make this week possible. We are looking forward to next year.

Special Thanks...

Caroline Rast and family would like to thank our church family for the prayers and concerns for her recent injury. Her speedy recovery is a testament to God's gracious favor when we trust in Him. Thaks be to God and our praying church!

Council Highlights...

are on the table next to the fellowship hall.

Vote for your favorite hymn...

During the month of June, please use the forms sitting on the tables around the church to let us know of your favorite hymns. We will be receiving your choices during the month of June and will sing as many as we can in the month of July during the prelude time or during the service at Resurrection. Please know that we cannot get to them all. Just fill out your slips and turn them in to the basket on the table outside of the fellowship hall.

Nell Felkel....

invites you to visit her backyard at 2542 Old Number Six Highway to see her agave plant (AKA century plant). It is in the process of blooming which only happens once in the plant's lifetime, and then it dies. She feels fortunate to have a ring side seat to this event and wants to share it with the congregation.

Help needed....

The care ministry team is collecting items over the next several weeks to take to the residents of Magnolias in Eutawville, SC. Items needed are: shower caps, tissues, shampoo, Depends, wipes, body wash, wash cloths, towels, dog food, disposable pads, lotion, and Glade automatic air fresheners and refills. There are bins for the collection of these items in the fellowship hall. Any questions, contact Rebekah Haigler at 803-682-4284. Thank you for helping make the lives of these residents a little brighter.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 22, 2025

Today	10:30	am	Choir Practice: RLC
Next Sunday	9:00	am	Worship: SMLC
	10:00	am	Sunday School: SMLC
	10:30	am	Adult Choir Practice: RLC
	10:00	am	Sunday School: RLC
	11:00	am	Worship: RLC



MEMBERS:

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MILITARY:

Andrew Pekarek

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> 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

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 Roy Lockett-friend of Gary Porth Gwynette La-Terra—friend of Larry Barwick Alison Weeks-Daughter-in-law of Perry and Martha Ann Weeks 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 Delane Cochran—friend of the Community Janina Grimsley-sister of Larry Barwick Pinckney Thompson—friend of the Community David (Shack) Felkel—friend of Doris Giese Donnie Fulmer—husband of Gwen Fulmer 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 Kathryn Lamar—mother of Kathy Rast, grandmother of Ansley and Erin Chris and Clarence Felder—friends of Doug Doster

Lois Nichols—friend of the congregation