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“Ushers:..... Wayne Polin, Capt., Johnny Evans, Pat Black, and Edward Shuler

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

Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

August 10, 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 ✝ Son, 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.
Amen.**

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: 818

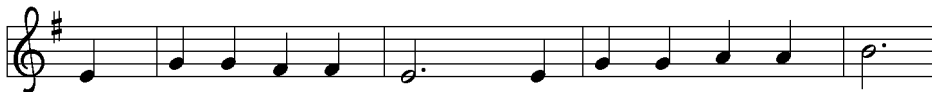
O MASTER, LET ME WALK WITH YOU

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



- 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, God most 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

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your church. Open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may be ready to receive you wherever you appear, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

WORD

Children's Message at Resurrection



FIRST READING: Genesis 15:1-6

¹After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, “Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.” ²But Abram said, “O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?” ³And Abram said, “You have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.” ⁴But the word of the LORD came to him, “This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.” ⁵He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your descendants be.” ⁶And he believed the LORD, and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 33:12-22 (sung responsively—cantor beginning)

¹²Happy is the nation whose God | is the LORD!
Happy the people chosen to | be God's heritage!

¹³**The LORD looks | down from heaven,**
and sees all | humankind.

¹⁴God sits firmly en- | throned and watches
all who dwell | on the earth.

¹⁵**God fashions | all their hearts**
and observes | all their deeds.

¹⁶A king is not saved by the size | of the army,
nor are warriors rescued by | their great strength.

¹⁷ **The horse gives vain | hope for victory;
despite its great strength it | cannot save.**

¹⁸ Truly, your eye is upon those who fear | you, O LORD,
upon those who wait for your | steadfast love,

¹⁹ **to deliver their | lives from death,
and to keep them alive in | time of famine.**

²⁰ Our innermost being waits for | you, O LORD,
our helper | and our shield.

²¹ **Surely, our heart rejoic- | es in you,
for in your holy name we | put our trust.**

²² Let your lovingkindness, O LORD, | be upon us,
even as we place our | hope in you.

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. ³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

⁸ By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance, and he set out, not knowing where he was going. ⁹ By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰ For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith, with Sarah's involvement, he received power of procreation, even though he was too old, because he considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

¹³ All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, ¹⁴ for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. ¹⁵ If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶ But as it is, they desire a better homeland, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

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 twelfth chapter.

Glorify to you, O Lord.

Jesus said:³² “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. ³³ Sell your possessions and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. ³⁴ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. ³⁵ “Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; ³⁶ be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. ³⁷ Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. ³⁸ If he comes during the middle of the night or near dawn and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. ³⁹ “But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁰ You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Eric Little

HYMN OF THE DAY: NO. 764

HAVE NO FEAR, LITTLE FLOCK

APOSTLES’ CREED

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

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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.

SENDING HYMN: RLC NO. 632

O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Flowers...**

are given today to the Glory of God and in memory of Frank Gruetzmacher by Milton and Esther Dufford.

Thank you...

to everyone who donated school supplies for the Back to School Supply Drive! Everything was extremely appreciated by all children and especially the teachers at Sandy Run K-8. I am so blessed to be a part of such a loving, caring, and compassionate congregation. You have all shown examples of how to be the hands and feet of Christ! Thanks again and God bless!

Barbara Haigler

Council meeting...

All council members are requested to attend the regularly scheduled meeting on Sunday, August 10, at 12:00 pm in the fellowship hall . If you cannot attend, please let Richard Smith, our council chair, or the pastor know.

Bible Study...

will continue this Wednesday morning at 10:00 at RLC. We will continue to study the book of Esther.

The Blessing of the Backpacks Luncheon...

will be held on August 17, 2025 after the Sunday service. We hope to see you all as we honor our students. The church will provide the meat for the meal. We ask that you bring sides and desserts of your choice. See you on August 17th.

**Abraham
Believed
God**
and HE credited it to him as
RIGHTEOUSNESS

Genesis 15:6

"By faith we understand that
the worlds were prepared by
the word of God, so that
what is seen was made
from things that
are not visible."
Hebrews 11:3

FEAR NOT

little flock
for your Father
desires to give you
the Kingdom

Luke 12:32

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SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 10, 2025

Today	10:30 am	Choir Practice: RLC
	12:00 pm	Council Meeting: RLC
Wednesday	10:00 am	Bible Study: RLC
Next Sunday	9:00 am	Worship: SMLC
	10:00 am	Sunday School: SMLC
	10:00 am	Sunday School: RLC
	10:30 am	Adult Choir Practice: RLC
	11:00 am	Worship: RLC
	12:00 pm	Blessing of the Backpack



MEMBERS:

Chris Philpot
John Capizzi, III

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

Rev. Yehiel Curry,
Presiding Bishop-Elect-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
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
John Rich—friend of Larry Barwick
BJ Harrelson—mother of Deborah Porth