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Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

February 8, 2026

PRELUDE

SHARING

CONFSSION AND FORGIVENESS

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.

Silence is kept for reflection.

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. 532

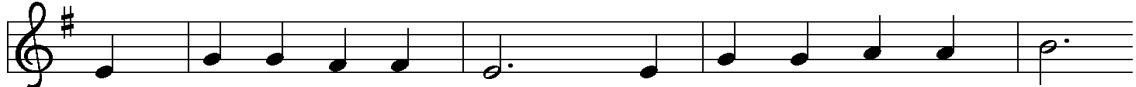
GATHER US IN

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, 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

Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.



FIRST READING: Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]

¹ Shout out; do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. ² Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments; they want God on their side. ³ "Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day and oppress all your workers. ⁴ You fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁵ Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD?

⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the straps of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you; the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. ^{9a} Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, "Here I am." ^{9b} If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹ The LORD will guide you continually and satisfy your needs in parched places and make your bones strong, and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water whose waters never fail. ¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 112:1-9 [10] (sung responsively)

¹ Hallelujah! Happy are they who | fear the LORD
and have great delight in | God's commandments!

² **Their descendants will be mighty | in the land;**
the generation of the upright | will be blessed.

³ Wealth and riches will be | in their house,
and their righteousness will | last forever.

⁴ **Light shines in the darkness | for the upright;**
the righteous are merciful and full | of compassion.

⁵ It is good for them to be gener- | ous in lending
and to manage their af- | fairs with justice.

⁶ **For they will nev- | er be shaken;**
the righteous will be kept in everlast- | ing remembrance.

⁷ They will not be afraid of any | evil rumors;
their heart is steadfast, trusting | in the LORD.

⁸ **Their heart is established and | will not shrink,**
until they see their desire up- | on their enemies.

⁹ They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands | fast forever;
they will hold up their | head with honor.

¹⁰ **The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and | pine**
away; the desires of the wick- | ed will perish.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]

¹ When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the testimony of God to you with superior speech or wisdom. ² For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. ⁴ My speech and my proclamation were made not with persuasive words of wisdom but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, ⁵ so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. ⁶ Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are being destroyed. ⁷ But we speak God's wisdom, a hidden mystery, which God decreed before the ages for our glory ⁸ and which none of the rulers of this age understood, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. ⁹ But, as it is written,

“What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the human heart conceived,
what God has prepared for those who love him”—

¹⁰ God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches everything, even

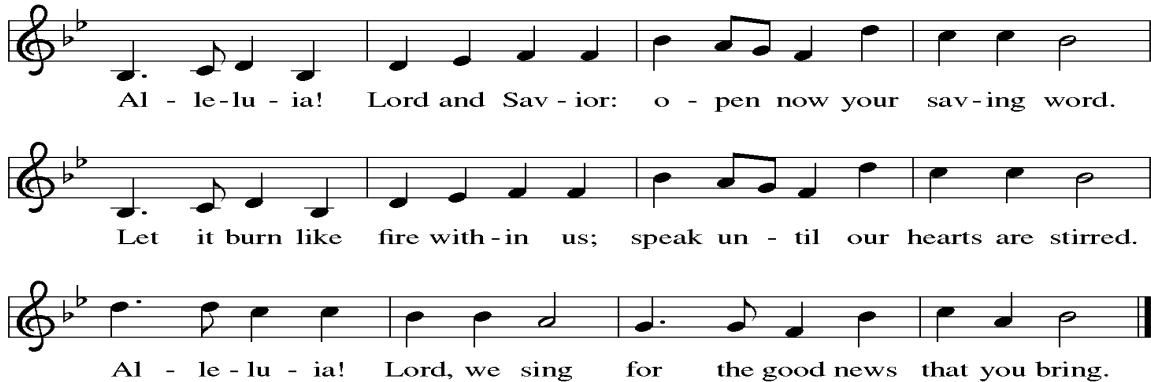
the depths of God. ¹¹ For what human knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God's except the Spirit of God. ¹² Now we have received not the spirit of the world but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God. ¹³ And we speak of these things in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual things to those who are spiritual. ¹⁴ Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. ¹⁵ Those who are spiritual discern all things, and they are themselves subject to no one else's scrutiny. ¹⁶ "For who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?"

But we have the mind of Christ.]

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. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said: ¹³ "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot. ¹⁴ You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. ¹⁵ People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. ¹⁷ Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. ¹⁹ Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 715**CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT****APOSTLES' CREED****PAGE 105****PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

TO GIVE ELECTRONICALLY...

**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**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. 677**THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE****DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



News & Events

Pastor Office Drop-In Hours...

hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00-11:00 am. If you need to schedule another time than those listed, feel free to get in touch with Pastor Eric.

“Souper Bowl of Caring” Offering...

will be taken up, by our youth, today after the morning worship service to be given to the Snack Pack program for Calhoun County children in need. Your donation is very much appreciated!

Senior Citizen Luncheon...

We are excited to honor the senior citizens of our church with a special spaghetti luncheon hosted by the Youth and Social Committee after today's worship service. Everyone is invited to join us for food, fellowship, and celebration following the service.

In Thanksgiving to God...

for the gift of new life, we celebrate with *Garrick and Madison Ardis* at the birth of a son, *Hudson Rhame Ardis*, who was born on Tuesday, January 20, 2026. Proud grandparents are Hank and Donna Rhame and great grandmother Lois Johnson. May God be with Hudson and his family to hold them in His constant care and fill their lives and their home with His love and blessing!

A note of thanks...

Dear RLC Family,

On behalf of the youth that attended the ski trip last weekend in Beech Mountain, we want to thank you for all you did to make that special weekend happen. You helped us in the sweetest ways through supporting the chicken bog fundraiser, to buying snacks, giving donations and praying. We are thankful for a safe trip and for how we grew closer to one another and to the Father!

With love,

Olivia, Laurin and RLC youth

Pancake Supper.....

The Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper sponsored by Lutheran Men in Mission will be Sunday, Feb. 15 at 6:30 p.m. All members of the parish are invited.



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Blood Connection...

Please save the date of Wednesday, February 25, 2026. The Blood Connection will be at Resurrection Lutheran Church on that day. There must be a minimum of 56 days between blood donations. Therefore, if you give on or after Sunday, January 11, you will not be eligible to give through the church.

Lutheran men and guests...

are welcome to our regular monthly meeting on Wednesday February 11 @ 6:30PM for a meal and fellowship. The meal will include duck & andouille gumbo, vegetable and dessert.

Lutheridge Day Camp...

Will be held June 22-26, for rising 1st-6th graders. Registration forms will be coming out soon.

Lutheridge/Lutherock...

Registration is open for summer camps at Lutheridge and Lutherock at NOVUSWAY.ORG. If your child has aged out of day camp, consider other fun camps offered at Lutheridge and Lutherock. Even if your child can come to day camp, please consider these camps in addition. Consider giving the gift of time away with friends or newly made friends to our youth.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 8, 2026

Today	10:00 am	Sunday School: RLC
	11:00 am	Worship: RLC
	12:00 am	Senior Citizen Lunch: RLC
	12:00 am	Council Meeting: RLC
Monday	7:00 pm	Bible Study: SMLC
Wednesday	10:00 am	Bible Study: RLC
	6:30 pm	LMM Meeting/Supper: RLC
Next Sunday	9:00 am	Worship: SMLC
	10:00 am	Sunday School: SMLC
	10:00 am	Sunday School: RLC
	11:00 am	Worship: RLC

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF THE PARISH:



MEMBERS:

Chris Philpot
John Capizzi, III

MILITARY:

Andrew Pekarek
Brantley Doster

SC SYNOD STAFF:

Deacon Kimberly Heindl,
Asst. to the Bishop

Rev. Rick Carter,
Asst. to the Bishop

Rev. Ginny
Aebischer, Bishop

Rev. Yehiel Curry,
Presiding Bishop—ELCA

Kathryn Lamar—mother of Kathy Rast, grandmother of Ansley and Erin
John Rich—friend of Larry Barwick
BJ Harrelson—mother of Deborah Porth
Emerson Jones—friend of John Capizzi, III
Pete and Pam Lesesne—family of Larry Barwick
Sally Sonne—mother of Peter Sonne
Virginia Moore—friend of David Rast
Gary Ryder—friend of Larry Barwick
Butler Spiers—daughter of Will and Amelia Spiers
Elizabeth Miller Barker—friend of Mims Taylor and Wayne and Beth Rast
Robert English—friend of John Capizzi, III