

Resurrection and St. Matthew's Lutheran Parish

Cameron, South Carolina

Second Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2026

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.

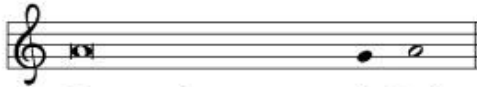
GATHERING HYMN NO: 367 NOW ALL THE VAULT OF HEAVEN RESOUNDS

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



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



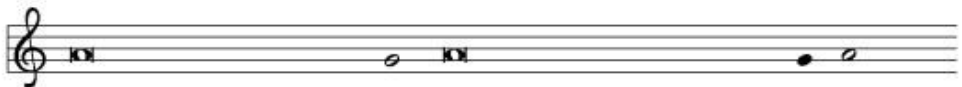
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Assisting minister



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

All



Lord God, heav-en-ly King, al-might-y God and Fa-ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;



you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-ceive our prayer.



For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,



you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

Children's Message



FIRST READING: Acts 2:14a, 22-32

^{14a} Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed [the crowd]: ²² “Fellow Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know ²³ this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴ But God raised him up, having released him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵ For David says concerning him, ‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; ²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover, my flesh will live in hope. ²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades or let your Holy One experience corruption. ²⁸ You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ ²⁹ “Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. ³⁰ Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹ Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, ‘He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.’ ³² “This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 16 (sung responsively—cantor begins)

- ¹ Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;
I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.”
- ² **All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble among the people.**

³But those who run after | other gods
shall have their troubles | multiplied.

⁴**I will not pour out drink offerings | to such gods,
never take their names up- | on my lips.**

⁵O LORD, you are my portion | and my cup;
it is you who up- | hold my lot.

⁶**My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;
indeed, I have a | rich inheritance.**

⁷I will bless the LORD who | gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night | after night.

⁸**I have set the LORD al- | ways before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall | not be shaken.**

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;
my body also shall | rest in hope.

¹⁰**For you will not abandon me | to the grave,
nor let your holy one | see the pit.**

¹¹You will show me the | path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures
for- | evermore.

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

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. 384

THAT EASTER DAY WITH JOY WAS BRIGHT

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The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

OFFERING

ELECTRONIC GIVING...



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 NO. 535

HALLELUJAH! WE SING YOUR PRAISES

DISMISSAL

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



Pastor Office Drop-In Hours...

hours are Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 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.

Bible Study...

will start again after a Lenten break. We will meet at St. Matthew's on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. and at Resurrection on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Lutheridge Day Camp...

Will be held June 22-26, for rising 1st-6th graders. Registration forms are located on the table outside the fellowship hall.

Snacks Needed...

There is a sign up sheet on the table next to the Fellowship hall with snacks you can sign up to get for Day Camp. If you sign up to get snacks, please place them in the kitchen by June 21st. Thank you in advance for helping Day Camp be successful.

Offering counters needed...

After many faithful years of service to our church, Gloria Rast is needing to step back from her financial secretary duties. The first step is that we need counters every week to count the offering, record it, and then deposit the offering. If you are willing to serve on a team, please let the pastor or our finance committee chair Pat Black know.

Congregational Council..

Will meet April 19, 2026 right after the morning service in the fellowship hall. If you cannot be there, let Josh Johnson, our council president, or the pastor know.

Lutheran Men...

will host a breakfast for the congregation starting at 9:45 AM on [Sunday April 19, 2026](#). The menu includes sausage, country ham, biscuits, grits casserole and fresh fruit.

Synod Assembly...

is in Columbia, SC this year from June 11-13, 2026. This year we will be electing a new bishop among the other business of the assembly. Resurrection Lutheran is allowed three lay voting members to this assembly. Pastor Eric is a voting member because he is a rostered leader in the SC Synod. If you would like to be a voting member this year, please let our council chair, Josh Johnson, or Pastor Eric know.

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 12, 2026

Monday	7:00 pm	Bible Study: SMLC
	10:00 am	Bible Study: RLC
Next Sunday	9:00 am	Worship: SMLC
	9:45 am	Breakfast: RLC
	10:00 am	Sunday School: SMLC
	10:00 am	Sunday School: RLC
	11:00 am	Worship: RLC
	12:00 pm	Council Meeting: RLC



MEMBERS:

Chris Philpot
John Capizzi, III

MILITARY:

Andrew Pekarek
Carrie Nelson

SC SYNOD STAFF:

Deacon Kimberly Heindl,
Asst. to the Bishop

Kathryn Lamar—mother of Kathy Rast, grandmother of Ansley and Erin
Rev. Rick Carter,
Asst. to the Bishop

Rev. Ginny
Aebischer, Bishop

Rev. Yehiel Curry,
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
Eleanor Bassett—friend of Caroline Porth
Matthew Wannamaker—friend of Gary Porth
Rhett Tindall—friend of Larry Barwick
Julie Crider Layton—friend of Gwen Fulmer
Mack Shirer—brother of Martha Ann Weeks
Roy Lockett—friend of Gary Porth
Alison Weeks—Daughter-in-law of Perry and Martha Ann Weeks
Matthew Lizewski—friend of Gary Porth
David Mellon—brother of Chris Philpot
Karen Kennedy—cousin of Mickey Weeks
Gregg Culler—friend of Mitzi and Mickey Weeks
Delane Cochran—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
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
Debbie Roland—friend of the Community
Sarah Longshore—daughter of Josh Gates
Anna Jendral and her Family—friends of Heber and Gloria Rast