

THE ORDER OF THE SERVICE OF THE WORD SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 11, 2021 – 8:00 AM

A warm welcome to all worshiping with Resurrection Lutheran Church today. We celebrate our Savior's love in the faithful gathering of God's people, whether we are together in God's house or, as you watch online from the comfort of your home.

For those individuals or families desiring a space that is physically distanced, please feel welcome to sit in the rows that are marked as reserved.

LESSONS AND LITURGY TODAY

We all have regrets, things in our past that bother us so much yet we can't let go of them, including the times when we could have spoken up in witness to Christ and didn't.

Jesus – our Savior, Redeemer and Friend – wants to take away our regrets, mistakes, sin, and shame.

• Denotes times when the congregation is invited to stand. The congregation is encouraged to quietly and prayerfully prepare for worship during the prelude.

PRELUDE

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing - P. Manz

WELCOME

❖ INVOCATION

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- P In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

♦ ENTRANCE HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

LSB 686

- Come, Thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.
 While the hope of endless glory Fills my heart with joy and love, Teach me ever to adore Thee; May I still Thy goodness prove.
- 2. Here I raise my Ebenezer, Hither by Thy help I've come; And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.
- 3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be; Let that grace now like a fetter Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; Prone to leave the God I love. Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for Thy courts above.
- 4. Oh, that day when freed from sinning, I shall see Thy lovely face; Clothed then in the blood-washed linen, How I'll sing Thy wondrous grace! Come, my Lord, no longer tarry; Take my ransom'd soul away; Send Thine angels soon to carry Me to realms of endless day.

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♦ Confession of Sins and Good News of Forgiveness

- P As God brings us to this place, we come bringing the baggage of our sins. We also come knowing that our Lord promises to take those sins away. Our help is in the Name of the LORD
- C Who made Heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,
- C And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

- P LORD, You were favorable to Your land; You restored the fortunes of Jacob. You forgave the iniquity of Your people; You covered all their sin. You withdrew Your Wrath; You turned from Your Anger.
- C Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away Your Indignation toward us! We pray do not be angry with us forever; do not prolong Your Anger to all generations. We ask You to revive us again, so that Your people may rejoice in You. Show us Your Steadfast Love, O LORD, and grant us Your Salvation. (Psalm 85:1-7)
- P Let us hear what God the LORD will speak, for He will speak peace to His people, to His saints; but let them not turn back to folly. Surely His Salvation is near to those who fear Him, that glory may dwell in our land. Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

 Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky. Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase. Righteousness will go before Him and make His Footsteps a way. (Psalm 85:8-13)
- P As a Called and ordained servant of Christ and by His Authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ... In Him we have redemption through His Blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's Grace that He lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. And He made known to us the mystery of His Will according to His Good Pleasure, which He purposed in Christ. (Ephesians 1:3, 7-9, adapted)

KYRIE

- P In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For the peace from above to give us calm in the midst of trial, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.

- P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of Christ, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P For this holy house, for all who seek refuge from the storms of life, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, Gracious Lord.
- C Amen.

ANTHEM

Praise We Sing to Thee - arr. J. Luvaas

Cantus Christe

Praise we sing to Thee Thou Mighty Ruler, King, forever, Praise we sing to Thee, dear Lord, O God, Who fails us never.

All the joys of nature tell us of Thy wonder working power. Still Thy Tender Grace and Mercy keep us every hour. Praise we sing to Thee, most Holy, praise forever!

Grateful hymns of thanks we raise for all the gifts Thou dost ordain; Lord of Hosts, Who over the wondrous realm of heaven doth reign. Praise we sing to Thee, most Holy, praise forever!

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♦ Prayer Of The Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray. O Lord, You granted Your prophets strength to resist the temptations of the devil and courage to proclaim repentance.
- Give us pure hearts and minds to follow Your Son faithfully; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

(Amos will not be hindered from his prophetic call.)

This is what he showed me: behold, the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand.

And the LORD said to me,
"Amos, what do you see?"
And I said, "A plumb line."
Then the Lord said,
"Behold, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass by them; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."
Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

"Amos has conspired against you in the

to Jeroboam king of Israel, saying,

midst of the house of Israel.

The land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, "Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land."

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, and eat bread there, and prophesy

there, but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."
Then Amos answered and said to Amaziah,

"I was no prophet, nor a prophet's son, but I was a herdsman and a dresser of sycamore figs.

But the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'

PSALM(God forgives all our sins and covers our sins.)

Psalm 85 [ESV]

P You showed favor to Your Land, O LORD;

C You restored the fortunes of Jacob.

P You forgave the iniquity of Your people

C and covered all their sins. Selah

P You set aside all Your Wrath

C and turned from Your Fierce Anger.

- P Restore us again, O God our Savior,
- C and put away Your Displeasure toward us.
- P Will You be angry with us forever?
- C Will You prolong Your Anger through all generations?
- P Will You not revive us again,
- C that Your people may rejoice in You?
- P Show us Your Unfailing Love, O LORD,
- C and grant us Your Salvation.
- P I will listen to what God the LORD will say;
- C He promises peace to His people, His saints—but let them not return to folly.
- P Surely His Salvation is near those who fear Him,
- C that His Glory may dwell in our land.
- P Love and faithfulness meet together;
- C righteousness and peace kiss each other.
- P Faithfulness springs forth from the earth,
- C and righteousness looks down from Heaven.
- P The LORD will indeed give what is good,
- C and our land will yield its harvest.
- P Righteousness goes before Him
- C and prepares the way for His Steps.
 Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

EPISTLE

Ephesians 1:3-14 [ESV]

(Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him.

In love He predestined us for adoption to Himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His Will, to the praise of His glorious grace, with which He has blessed us in the Beloved. In Him we have redemption through His Blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His Grace, which He lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of His Will, according to His Purpose, which He set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time,

to unite all things in Him, things in heaven and things on earth.

In Him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His Will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of His Glory. In Him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in Him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of His Glory.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

♦ ALLELUIA AND VERSE

- C Alleluia. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Alleluia. (Matthew 5:10)
- **♦** HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 6:14-29 [ESV]

(King Herod beheads John the Baptist.)

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixth chapter.
- C Glory to You, O Lord.

King Herod heard of it, for Jesus' Name had become known.

Some said, "John the Baptist has been raised from the dead. That is why these miraculous powers are at work in Him." But others said, "He is Elijah."

And others said, "He is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old."
But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For it was Herod who had sent and seized John and bound him in prison for the sake of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because he had married her.

For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife."

And Herodias had a grudge against him and wanted to put him to death.

But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he kept him safe.

When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed, and yet he heard him gladly.

But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his nobles and military commanders and the leading men of Galilee.

For when Herodias's daughter came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests.

And the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it to you."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, Lord Christ.

And he vowed to her,

"Whatever you ask me, I will give you, up to half of my kingdom."

And she went out and said to her mother, "For what should I ask?"

And she said,

"The head of John the Baptist."

And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying,

"I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter."

And the king was exceedingly sorry, but because of his oaths and his guests he did not want to break his word to her.

And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head.

He went and beheaded him in the prison and brought his head on a platter and gave it to the girl, and the girl gave it to her mother.

When his disciples heard of it, they came and took his body and laid it in a tomb.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Alan Shaw

HYMN OF THE DAY

Jesus, Priceless Treasure

LSB 743, vs. 1-3, 6

Jesus, priceless treasure, Fount of purest pleasure, Truest friend to me,
 Ah, how long in anguish Shall my spirit languish, Yearning, Lord, for Thee?
 Thou art mine, O Lamb divine!
 I will suffer naught to hide Thee; Naught I ask beside Thee.

2. In Thine arms I rest me; Foes who would molest me Cannot reach me here. Though the earth be shaking, Ev'ry heart be quaking, Jesus calms my fear.

Lightnings flash And thunders crash;

Yet, though sin and hell assail me, Jesus will not fail me.

3. Satan, I defy thee; Death, I now decry thee; Fear, I bid thee cease.

World, thou shalt not harm me Nor thy threats alarm me While I sing of peace.

God's great pow'r Guards ev'ry hour;

Forth and all its don'the adore Him. Silent how before Him.

Earth and all its depths adore Him, Silent bow before Him.

6. Hence, all fear and sadness! For the Lord of gladness, Jesus, enters in.

Those who love the Father, Though the storms may gather, Still have peace within.

Yea, whate'er I here must bear,

Thou art still my purest pleasure, Jesus, priceless treasure!

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SERMON Pastor Alan Shaw

The Message No One Can Silence Mark 6:14-29

INSTALLATION OF MARYANN UNGER AS DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

P Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, MaryAnn Unger has been appointed to serve as the Director of Children and Family ministries at Resurrection Lutheran Church. This ministry has been established to strengthen and support the Office of the Public Ministry and its work.

Hear the Word of God concerning this ministry.

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the Grace given us.

If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully. (Romans 12:3-8)

The pastor addresses the candidate:

- P Do you believe the canonical books of the Old and New Testament to be the inspired Word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice?
- R I do.
- P Do you accept the three Ecumenical Creeds, namely, the Apostles', the Nicene, and the Athanasian Creeds, as faithful testimonies to the truth of the Holy Scriptures, and do you reject all errors which they condemn?
- R I do.
- P Do you accept the confessions of the Evangelical Lutheran Church as contained in the Book of Concord to be a correct exposition of Holy Scripture?
- R I do.
- P Do you solemnly promise faithfully to serve God's people in the your ministry in accordance with the Word of God, the Ecumenical Creeds and the Confessions of the Church?
- R = I do.
- P Will you, trusting in God's Care, seek to grow in love for those you serve, strive for excellence, and adorn the Gospel of Jesus Christ with a godly life?
- R I will with the Help of God.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

- P Brothers and sisters in Christ, you have heard the confession and solemn promise of MaryAnn Unger appointed to serve in the ministry of Resurrection Lutheran Church. I ask you now, in the Presence of God:

 Will you receive her, show her fitting love and honor, support her by your gifts an
 - Will you receive her, show her fitting love and honor, support her by your gifts and fervent prayer?
 - Is so, answer: We will with the Help of God.
- C We will with the Help of God.

P The Almighty and Most Merciful God strengthen and lead you always.

The pastor asks the candidate:

- P Are you ready and willing to assume the work of this ministry?
- R I am.
- P MaryAnn Unger, I consecrate and install you as the Director of Children and Family Ministries at Resurrection Lutheran Church, in the Name of the Father and of the ♥ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

The ministry staff of RLC may share a blessing with the candidate.

P Let us pray.

Almighty God, the Fountain and Source of all Wisdom, we thank You for leading MaryAnn Unger to accept the appointment to serve as Director of Children and Family Ministries at Resurrection Lutheran Church. Grant to her Your Holy Spirit and adorn her with wisdom from on high. Lead us to receive MaryAnn's faithful service in Christ that we might be equipped for service to You all our days to Eternal Life; in the Name of Jesus we pray.

- C Amen.
- P May our Loving God, the Father, the A Son and the Holy Spirit, bless and strengthen you for faithful service in His Name.
 Go in peace and serve with joy.
- C Amen.

❖ GREETING OF PEACE

All are invited to greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3) Any gesture accompanying this greeting (wave, hand over heart with slight bow) is welcome.

OFFERING

(The offerings of God's people will be received through electronic giving, by postal mail, and in baskets located in the Narthex.)

MUSICAL OFFERING

Sing Praise to God - arr. G. W. Cassler

Cantus Christe [LSB 819]

Sing praise to God, Who reigns above: Alleluia.

- Sing praise to God, Who reigns above, The God of all creation;
 The God of power, the God of love; The God of our salvation;
 With healing balm my soul He fills, And ev'ry faithless murmur stills:
 To God all praise and glory!
- 2. The angel host, O King of Kings, Thy praise forever telling, In earth and sky all living things Beneath Thy shadow dwelling, Adore the wisdom which could span, And power which formed creation's plan: To God all praise and glory!
- 3. What God's Almighty Pow'r hath made, His Gracious Mercy keepeth. By morning glow and evening shade His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth: Within the kingdom of His Might Lo, all is just, and all is right: To God all praise and glory!
- 4. O ye who bear Christ's Holy Name, Give God all praise and glory. All ye who own His pow'r proclaim Aloud the wondrous story. Cast each false idol from his throne, The Lord is God, and He alone: To God all praise and glory!

Sing praise to God, Who reigns above: Alleluia.

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♦ Prayer of the Church

- P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.
- P Lord God, enlighten the one, holy, Christian, and apostolic Church with Your Gifts; and keep us faithful to proclaim Christ and Him crucified to a lost and dying world.
- C Help us to live in repentance and forgiveness all our days and give us boldness to proclaim the healing of Your Forgiveness in Christ Jesus.
- P Lord God, bless our nation, our state, and the communities in which we live, and especially those who lead us. Grant wisdom and humility to all who serve in positions of authority, that we may be governed with justice and lead peaceful and godly lives.

- C Watch over those who serve to protect us and the freedoms that we enjoy, including the men and women of our armed services who continue to serve in dangerous places; and guide them in all their ways.
- P Lord God, grant to those who struggle with various temptations, strength to endure the trials, confidence in Your Loving Care, and the blessed comfort of forgiveness in Iesus Christ.
- C Grant to the elderly, and all who live in nursing homes and retirement communities, gracious and loving care-givers, family and friends to visit them, and willing hearts to receive ongoing care.

After each portion of the prayers:

- P Lord, in Your Mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Into Your Hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in Your Mercy for the Sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen.

♦ LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

❖ BENEDICTION

- P The LORD bless you and keep you.

 The LORD make His Face to shine on you and be gracious to you.

 The LORD look upon you with favor and ♥ give you peace. (Numbers 6:24-26)
- C Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name We Raise

LSB 917

- Savior, again to Thy dear name we raise
 With one accord our parting hymn of praise;
 Once more we bless Thee ere our worship cease,
 Then, lowly bending, wait Thy word of peace.
- 2. Grant us Thy peace upon our homeward way; With Thee began, with Thee shall end, the day. Guard Thou the lips from sin, the hearts from shame, That in this house have called upon Thy name.
- 3. Grant us Thy peace, Lord, through the coming night; Turn Thou for us its darkness into light. From harm and danger keep Thy children free; For dark and light are both alike to Thee.
- 4. Grant us Thy peace throughout our earthly life, Our balm in sorrow and our stay in strife; Then, when Thy voice shall bid our conflict cease, Call us, O Lord, to Thine eternal peace.

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- P Go in peace and serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Jesu, Meine Freude - J. S. Bach

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