

The Old  
Has Become New

*Revelation 5:5-14*



SINGING A NEW SONG OF  
**PRAISE**  
TO OUR RISEN KING!

**Third Sunday of Easter  
May 1, 2022 – 11:00 am**

A warm welcome to all worshipping with Resurrection Lutheran Church today! We celebrate together God's work in our lives as we receive His Word and Sacraments to strengthen our relationship with Him and one another. By the blood of Christ, we are made the household of God. Here, God builds us up by grace, through faith, and for service!

**Lessons and Liturgy Today**

***SINGING A NEW SONG***

No, this is not a recruitment for more musicians at RLC (though if you are musical, contact Bob Unger or Chris Reed). This is our new sermon series for the season of Easter. Christ is risen! And that is reason to "sing praises" to God in all that we do! The book of Revelation gives us a glimpse of the heavenly Kingdom where all believers will sing a new song of praise to the risen Lamb, Jesus. As people of the heavenly Kingdom dwelling here below, we have the new song now. So we sing! But it's not just the vocal singing in worship, it is the way we live our lives for our risen King as we live out our worship of Him every day.

**Welcome and Sharing the Peace**

**P** The peace of the LORD be with you!  
**C** And also with you.

**Opening Song**

Forever Reign

You are good,  
You are good,  
when there's nothing  
good in me  
You are love,  
You are love  
on display  
for all to see -  
You are light,  
You are light,  
when the darkness  
closes in;  
You are hope,  
You are hope,  
You have covered  
all my sin

You are peace,  
You are peace  
when my fear  
is crippling  
You are true,  
You are true  
even in  
my wandering -  
You are joy,  
You are joy;  
You're the reason  
that I sing  
You are life,  
You are life,  
in You death  
has lost its sting

O, I'm running  
to Your arms,  
I'm running  
to Your arms;  
the riches  
of Your love  
will always be enough  
Nothing compares  
to Your embrace;  
Light of the world,  
forever reign

You are more,  
You are more  
than my words  
will ever say;  
You are LORD,  
You are LORD,  
all creation  
will proclaim -  
You are here,  
You are here;  
in Your presence  
I'm made whole  
You are God,  
You are God;  
of all else  
I'm letting go

O, I'm running  
to Your arms,  
I'm running  
to Your arms;  
the riches  
of Your love  
will always be enough  
Nothing compares  
to Your embrace;  
Light of the world,  
forever reign

My heart will sing  
no other Name -  
Jesus, Jesus;  
My heart will sing  
no other Name -  
Jesus, Jesus

O, I'm running  
to Your arms,

I'm running  
to Your arms;  
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*The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

### Invocation of The Holy Trinity

P We make our beginning in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Christ is risen!

C **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness, therefore You are feared.**

### Confession of Sins

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, Who is Faithful and Just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.**

### Good News of Forgiveness

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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. Thanks be to God!**

### Song of Praise

### Better Is One Day

How lovely is  
Your dwelling place,  
o LORD Almighty,  
for my soul longs  
and even faints for You;  
For here my heart  
is satisfied  
within Your presence;  
I sing beneath  
the shadow of Your wings:

Better is one day  
in Your courts,  
better is one day  
in Your house,  
better is one day  
in Your courts  
than thousands elsewhere;  
Better is one day  
in Your courts,  
better is one day  
in Your house,  
better is one day  
in Your courts  
than thousands elsewhere,  
than thousands elsewhere!

One thing I ask  
and I would seek:  
to see Your beauty,  
to find You in the place  
Your glory dwells;  
One thing I ask and I would seek:  
to see Your beauty,  
to find You in the place  
Your glory dwells

Better is one day  
in Your courts,  
better is one day  
in Your house,  
better is one day  
in Your courts  
than thousands elsewhere;  
Better is one day  
in Your courts,  
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## Old Testament

*Acts 9:1-22 (ESV)*

But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from Heaven shone around him. And falling to the ground, he heard a Voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me? And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And He said, "I Am Jesus, Whom you are persecuting. But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the Voice but seeing no one. Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to Your saints at Jerusalem. And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your Name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of Mine to carry My Name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of My Name." So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus Who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; and taking food, he was strengthened. For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this Name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

L This is the Word of the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

### **Epistle Lesson**

*Revelation 5:5-14 (ESV)*

And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that He can open the scroll and its seven seals." And between the Throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. And He went and took the scroll from the Right Hand of Him Who was seated on the Throne. And when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are You to take the scroll and to open its seals, for You were slain, and by Your Blood You ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and You have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth." Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" And I heard every creature in Heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To Him Who sits on the Throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

L This is the Word of the Lord.  
C **Thanks be to God.**

### **The Holy Gospel**

*John 21:1-19 (ESV)*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.  
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

After this Jesus revealed Himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and He revealed Himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered Him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, or they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask Him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after He was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Feed My lambs." He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love



Me?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Tend My sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?" and he said to Him, "Lord, You know everything; You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." (This He said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this He said to him, "Follow Me."

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### **Children's Message**

Pastor Alan Shaw

### **Song of the Day**

### **Christ Is Risen**

1. Let no one  
caught in sin remain  
inside the lie  
of inward shame,  
but fix our eyes  
upon the cross  
and run to Him  
who showed great love  
and bled for us,  
freely You've bled for us

Christ is risen  
from the dead,  
trampling over  
death by death!  
Come awake, come awake -  
come and rise up  
from the grave!  
Christ is risen  
from the dead;  
we are one  
with Him again!  
Come awake, come awake -  
come and rise up  
from the grave!

2. Beneath the weight  
of all our sin,  
You bowed to none  
but heaven's will  
No scheme of hell,  
no scoffer's crown,  
no burden great  
can hold You down  
In strength You reign;  
forever let  
Your church proclaim:

Christ is risen  
from the dead,  
trampling over  
death by death!  
Come awake, come awake -  
come and rise up  
from the grave!  
Christ is risen  
from the dead;  
we are one  
with Him again!  
Come awake, come awake -  
come and rise up  
from the grave!

O death,  
where is your sting?  
O hell,  
where is your victory?  
O church,  
come stand in the light -  
the glory of God  
has defeated the night!  
Singing, O death,  
where is your sting?  
O hell,  
where is your victory?  
O church,  
come stand in the light -  
Our God is not dead,  
He's alive, He's alive!

Christ is risen  
from the dead,  
trampling over  
death by death!

Come awake, come awake -  
come and rise up  
from the grave!  
Christ is risen  
from the dead;  
we are one  
with Him again!  
Come awake, come awake -  
come and rise up  
from the grave!

Christ is risen  
from the dead,  
trampling over  
death by death!  
Come awake, come awake -  
come and rise up  
from the grave!  
Christ is risen  
from the dead;  
we are one  
with Him again!  
Come awake, come awake -  
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## **The Message**

Pastor Alan Shaw

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## **Faith Affirmation Statement by Noah-Bell Yamamura**

## **Musical Offering by Reign!**

## **Prayers of the Church**

*after each petition:*

P Lord, in your mercy,  
C **hear our prayer.**

## **The 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**

### **Closing Song**

### **This Is Amazing Grace**

Who breaks the pow'r  
of sin and darkness?  
Whose love is mighty  
and so much stronger?  
The King of Glory,  
the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth  
with holy thunder,  
and leaves us breathless  
in awe and wonder?  
The King of Glory,  
the King above all kings:

This is amazing grace,  
this is unfailing love -  
that You would take my place,  
that You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
that I would be set free:  
Jesus, I sing for  
all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos  
back into order?  
Who makes the orphan  
a son and daughter?  
The King of Glory,  
the King of Glory

Who rules the nations  
with truth and justice;  
shines like the sun in  
all of its brilliance?  
The King of Glory,  
the King above all kings:  
This is amazing grace,  
this is unfailing love -  
that You would take my place,  
that You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
that I would be set free:  
Jesus, I sing for  
all that You've done for me

Worthy is the Lamb  
who was slain;  
worthy is the King  
who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb  
who was slain;  
Worthy is the King  
who conquered the grave

Worthy is the Lamb  
who was slain;  
worthy is the King  
who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb  
who was slain;  
Worthy, worthy, worthy

This is amazing grace,  
this is unfailing love -  
that You would take my place,  
that You would bear my cross  
You laid down Your life  
that I would be set free:  
Jesus, I sing for  
all that You've done for me

This is amazing grace,  
this is unfailing love -  
that You would take my place,  
that You would bear my cross  
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that I would be set free:  
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P The worship has ended.

**C The service now begins.**

P Go now in peace to serve the LORD.

**C Thanks be to God!**

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***In Service Today***

Preacher - Pastor Alan Shaw

Presiding Minister - Pastor Jonathan Blanke

Praise Worship Leader - Christopher Reed

Reign! Vocals - Angela Ferguson

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Resurrection Lutheran Church's annual Operation InAsMuch event will be **Saturday, May 7** from 8:00 am-12:00 pm.

After a COVID 'pause', we are excited to continue this event where we provide numerous acts of service for our church, community, and country.

The event begins with breakfast in the Family Life Center at 8:00 am, and most activities will be completed by noon. There will be many opportunities available for all ages to participate, and nursery care will be provided. Some of the activities will be at RLC and others off site.

**Sign Up:** [signup.com/go/ibcUDaK](https://signup.com/go/ibcUDaK)

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