

# Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost September 11, 2022 - 11:00 am

A warm welcome to all worshiping 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**

#### Role Models in the Faith

Who are your role models? Maybe that's a question that you haven't thought of in a while. Many of us often think of role models from our childhood, but hopefully you can think of someone in the present that you look to as a role model. Here's another question for you. Who are you a role model for? That might be the more challenging question! First and Second Timothy are all about role models. Paul was young pastor Timothy's role model and wrote these letters to encourage and instruct him in being a role model to others. It's quite the high calling! As you seek to answer, 'who are your role models?' and 'who are you a role model for?' thank heaven that we have more than a role model, but a Savior – Jesus Christ!

# **Welcome and Sharing the Peace**

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

## **Opening Song**

This Is Amazing Grace

- 1. 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
- 2. 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:

#### Refrain

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

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

4. 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 Refrain

Bridge

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 Sing 2x Refrain

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# Invocation of The Holy Trinity

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

- We make our beginning in the name of the Father and of the ₱ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

## **Confession of Sins**

- 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.
- Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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 hearts; 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.

## The Good News of God's Forgiveness

- 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.

# **Song of Praise**

Our God Is Greater

Water You turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind there's no one like You, none like You

Into the darkness You shine; out of the ashes we rise -There's no one like You, none like You

#### Refrain

Our God is greater, our God is stronger, God, You are higher than any other Our God is healer, awesome in power, Our God, our God

Water You turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind there's no one like You, none like You

Into the darkness You shine; out of the ashes we rise - There's no one like You, none like You

#### Refrain

Our God is greater, our God is stronger, God, You are higher than any other Our God is healer, awesome in power, Our God, our God

And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us? And if our God is with us,

Then what could stand against us? Sing 2x Refrain Sing 2x

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Old Testament Lesson Ezekiel 34:11-24 [ESV]

<sup>11</sup> "For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I Myself will search for My sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup> As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out My sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup> And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup> I Myself will be the Shepherd of My sheep, and I Myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord God. <sup>16</sup> I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. <sup>17</sup> "As for you, My flock, thus says the Lord God: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and male goats. <sup>18</sup> Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear water, that you must muddy the rest of the water with your feet? <sup>19</sup> And must My sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have muddied with your feet? 20 "Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: Behold, I, I Myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup> Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup>I will rescue My flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup> And I will set up over them one shepherd, My servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup> And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David shall be prince among them. I Am the LORD; I have spoken.

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

# **Epistle Lesson**

1 Timothy 1:12-17 [ESV]

<sup>12</sup> I thank Him Who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because He judged me faithful, appointing me to His Service, <sup>13</sup> though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup> and the Grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup> But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display His Perfect Patience as an example to those who were to believe in Him for Eternal Life. <sup>17</sup> To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the Only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

Holy Gospel Luke 15:1-10 [ESV]

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

¹Now the tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear Him. ² And the Pharisees and the scribes grumbled, saying, "This Man receives sinners and eats with them." ³ So He told them this parable: ⁴ "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the open country, and go after the one that is lost, until he finds it? ⁵ And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. ⁶ And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and his neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' ¹ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in Heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. 8 "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek diligently until she finds it? ९ And when she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' ¹ Just so, I tell you, there is joy before the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to You, O Christ.

## Children's Message

Pastor Zach Sarrault

Song of the Day

Psalm 23

1. The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want; He makes me lie in pastures green He leads me by the still, still waters, His goodness restores my soul

#### Refrain

And I will trust in You alone, and I will trust in You alone, for Your endless mercy follows me; Your goodness will lead me home

2. He guides my ways in righteousness and He anoints my head with oil, and my cup - it overflows with joy; I feast on His pure delights

Refrain

3. And though I walk the darkest path, I will not fear the evil one - for You are with me, and Your rod and staff are the comfort I need to know

#### Refrain

And I will trust in You alone, and I will trust in You alone, for Your endless mercy follows me;

Your goodness will lead me home Sing 2x

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The Message Pastor Zach Sarrault

# Trust Me 1 Timothy 1:12-17

## Blessing of Teachers and Helpers in Education

All teachers and helpers, please come forward.

- P Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.
  They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint. (Isaiah 40:31) [ NIV]
- P As people of God called to teach and admonish one another with all wisdom; together we share the responsibility for Christian education in our homes, schools and our church. We therefore ask you, leaders and learners in this congregation and its schools, to recommit yourselves to the ministry of Christian education at Resurrection Lutheran Church and Schools.
- P Dear co-workers in God's Kingdom, our Lord has called you into service at Resurrection Lutheran Church and Schools. He has blessed you with His Gifts and His Word to share His Love in Christ alone with the children, youth and adults of this congregation and its schools.

- P I ask you now: Do you willingly accept your tasks as teachers and leaders in Resurrection's education ministry, assured that our Lord will guide and support you as you carry out His Will and His Work? If so, please answer, "Yes, with the Help of God."
- R Yes, with the Help of God.
- P Let us pray.

Lord, give to these people Your Gifts of wisdom, creativity, kindness and faithfulness; so that they may effectively teach and guide. Be with these teachers of the faith, and these helpers; that they may be strong in their commitment and faithful in their work. In Christ alone we pray.

C Amen.

The Congregation will please stand.

- P All of us young and old are encouraged by Jesus Himself to continue in the Word. For that purpose, Resurrection Lutheran Church and its schools offer Christian education opportunities for all ages.
- P Do you, the children, youth and adults of this congregation and community, commit yourselves to group and individual study of God's Word; so that you might grow in the knowledge and Grace of Christ? If so, please answer, "Yes, with the Help of God."
- C Yes, with the Help of God.
- P Let us pray.
  - Heavenly Father, we thank You that, in Christ alone, You continue to reveal to us Your Will; as You lead us into all truth.
- C Give us a strong desire to continue in Your Word within the fellowship of this community at Resurrection Lutheran Church and Schools. Bless all the study groups at Resurrection; so that we may be enabled to grow in faith, stand strong in life, and reach out with Your Love to those who may not know You now. In Christ alone we pray. Amen.
- P This day we have pledged ourselves to teaching and learning God's Word. I, therefore, consecrate you as teachers and partners in the Christian Education Ministry of Resurrection Lutheran Church and Schools, for this 2022-2023 year; in the Name of the Father, and of the ♣ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

All teachers and helpers may return to the seats.

## **Nicene Creed**

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God,

Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made,

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic church,
I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the Life of the world to come.

Amen.

# **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.

## **Distribution of Holy Communion**

## **Distribution Song**

O Come to the Altar

Are you hurting and broken within, overwhelmed by the weight of your sin? Jesus is calling

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O come to the altar; the Father's arms are open wide Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes; come today, there's no reason to wait -Jesus is calling

Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy; from the ashes, a new life is born! Jesus is calling

O come to the altar; the Father's arms are open wide Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ Bear your cross as you wait for the crown; tell the world of the treasure you've found

## Benediction

# **Closing Song**

Your Love Defends Me

1. You are my joy, You are my song You are the well, the One I'm drawing from You are my refuge my whole life long where else would I go?

## Refrain

Surely my God is the strength of my soul; Your love defends me, Your love defends me And when I feel like I'm all alone, Your love defends me, Your love defends me 2. Day after day, night after night,I will remember You're with me in this fightAlthough the battle - it rages on, the war's already won;I know the war is already won!Refrain

We sing hallelujah, You're my portion, my salvation, Hallelujah

Refrain Sing 2x

We sing hallelujah,
You're my portion, my salvation
Hallelujah, You're my portion, my salvation
Hallelujah, You're my portion, my salvation
Sing 2x

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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!

# In Service Today:

Preacher - Pastor Zach Sarrault Presiding Minister - Pastor Jonathan Blanke Assisting Minister - Pastor Alan Shaw Praise Worship Leader - Christopher Reed Reign! Vocals - Sonja Striplin

Reign! Musicians - Dorothy Conners, Nick Cassimatis, Elliot Lubak, Charlie Shiel, Lecia Cecconi-Roberts

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