

Welcome to Resurrection Lutheran

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Sixth Sunday of Easter



In Christ the Cornerstone...Living His Word, Sharing His Love

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As We Gather

What makes our Easter celebration so amazing is that here it is that same Lord Jesus whom we witnessed dying on a bloody cross who now risen from the dead appears and speaks to us. Today He promises to send to us “another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth” (John 14:16–17). By means of the Spirit we are equipped not only to testify and witness to the saving faith but also, should it be God’s will, to suffer for that testimony. We hear the inspired words of Peter speak about suffering “for righteousness’ sake” living in the very resurrection hope of Christ.

Peter wants to convince us that it is precisely in our suffering that Christ meets us and acts for us. For He knows suffering intimately but also possesses the triumph over it. He points us to our Baptism, where Christ’s victory becomes our victory. His resurrection life gives us new life, which for now is but the beginning to be stretched out into life eternal.

594 God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It



1 God's own child, I glad - ly say it: I am bap - tized
 2 Sin, dis - turb my soul no long - er: I am bap - tized
 3 Sa - tan, hear this proc - la - ma - tion: I am bap - tized
 4 Death, you can - not end my glad - ness: I am bap - tized
 5 There is noth - ing worth com - par - ing To this life - long



in - to Christ! He, be - cause I could not pay it,
 in - to Christ! I have com - fort e - ven strong - er:
 in - to Christ! Drop your ug - ly ac - cu - sa - tion,
 in - to Christ! When I die, I leave all sad - ness
 com - fort sure! O - pen - eyed my grave is star - ing:



Gave my full re - demp - tion price. Do I need earth's
 Je - sus' cleans - ing sac - ri - fice. Should a guilt - y
 I am not so soon en - ticed. Now that to the
 To in - her - it par - a - dise! Though I lie in
 E - ven there I'll sleep se - cure. Though my flesh a -



tre a - sures man - y? I have one worth
 con - science seize me Since my Bap - tism
 font I've trav - eled, All your might has
 dust and ash - es Faith's as - sur - ance
 waits its rais - ing, Still my soul con -

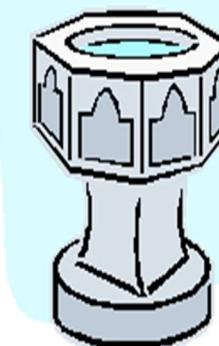
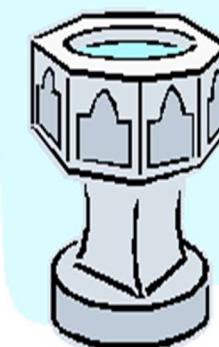
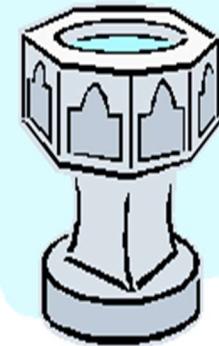


more than an - y That brought me sal -
 did re - lease me In a dear for -
 come un - rav - eled, And, a - gainst your
 bright ly flash - es: Bap - tism has the
 tin - ues prais - ing: I am bap - tized



va - tion free Last - ing to e - ter - ni - ty!
 giv - ing flood, Sprin - kling me with Je - sus' blood?
 tyr - an - ny, God, my Lord, u - nites with me!
 strength di - vine To make life im - mor - tal mine.
 in - to Christ; I'm a child of par - a - dise!

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- P** This is the day which the Lord has made;
C let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- P** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;
C I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.
- P** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.
C Teach me Your paths.
- P** Sanctify us in Your truth.
C Your Word is truth.
- P** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
C the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- C** 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.



First Reading*Acts 17:16-31*

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbler wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for

“In him we live and move and have our being”;
as even some of your own poets have said,

“For we are indeed his offspring.”

²⁹Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.



¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; ¹⁶yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

¹⁸For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, ¹⁹in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, ²⁰because they formerly did not obey, when God's patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water.



²¹Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.

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

Holy Gospel Reading

John 14:15-21

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

¹⁵[Jesus said:] “If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

¹⁸“I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.”

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

Responsory

- P** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- P** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.
- P** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C** Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Ten Commandments

C You shall have no other gods.
You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.
Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
Honor your father and your mother.
You shall not murder.
You shall not commit adultery.
You shall not steal.
You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.
You shall not covet your neighbor's house.
You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life † everlasting. 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.

Children's Message

779 Come, My Soul, with Every Care

sts. 1-5



1 Come, my soul, with ev - 'ry care, Je - sus loves to an - swer prayer;
2 Thou art com - ing to a King, Large pe - ti - tions with thee bring;
3 With my bur - den I be - gin: Lord, re - move this load of sin;
4 Lord, Thy rest to me im - part, Take pos - ses - sion of my heart;



He Him - self has bid thee pray, There-fore will not turn a - way.
For His grace and pow'r are such None can ev - er ask too much.
Let Thy blood, for sin - ners spilt, Set my con-science free from guilt.
There Thy blood-bought right main-tain And with-out a ri - val reign.

- 5 While I am a pilgrim here,
Let Thy love my spirit cheer;
As my guide, my guard, my friend,
Lead me to my journey's end.
- 6 Show me what is mine to do;
Ev'ry hour my strength renew.
Let me live a life of faith;
Let me die Thy people's death.

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Sermon

Offering

603 We Know That Christ is Raised



1 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2 We share by wa - ter in His sav - ing death.
3 The Fa - ther's splen - dor clothes the Son with life.



Em - braced by death, He broke its fear - ful hold;
Re - born, we share with Him an Eas - ter life
The Spir - it's pow - er shakes the Church of God.



And our de - spair He turned to blaz - ing joy.
As liv - ing mem - bers of a liv - ing Christ.
Bap - tized, we live with God the Three in One.



Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!

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Prayer

- P** In peace let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy.**
- P** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:
C **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

Collect of the Day

- P** O God, the giver of all that is good, by Your holy inspiration grant that we may think those things that are right and by Your merciful guiding accomplish them; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

Collect for the Word

- P** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

Morning Prayer

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

863 Threecold Truth (Hymnal Supplement 98)

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| 1 This is the threecold truth
On which our faith depends;
And with this joyful cry
Worship begins and ends:
Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again! | 4 By this we are upheld
When doubt and grief assails
Our Christian fortitude,
And only grace avails:
Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again! |
| 2 Made sacred by long use,
New-minted for our time,
Our liturgies sum up
The hope we have in him:
Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again! | 5 This is the threecold truth
Which, if we hold it fast,
Changes the world and us
And brings us home at last.
Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again! |



Benedicamus

LSB 267

P Let us bless the Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Benediction

LSB 267

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ☩ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.
C Amen.

725 Children of the Heavenly Father

1 Chil - dren of the heav'n - ly Fa - ther Safe - ly
2 God His own doth tend and nour - ish; In His
3 Nei - ther life nor death shall ev - er From the
4 Though He giv - eth or He tak - eth, God His

in His bos - om gath - er; Nest - ling bird nor star in
ho - ly courts they flour - ish. From all e - vil things He
Lord His chil - dren sev - er; Un - to them His grace He
chil - dren ne'er for - sak - eth; His the lov - ing pur - pose

heav - en Such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en.
spares them; In His might - y arms He bears them.
show - eth, And their sor - rows all He know - eth.
sole - ly To pre - serve them pure and ho - ly.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Health & Healing	Serving in the Military
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Family of Jamie Meyer - Family of Marvin Kurtz - JoEtta Kurtz - Covid 19 - Marie Louise Mwenda - Covid 19 - Coreen Wells - Covid 19 - Maureen Wells - Covid 19 - Jay Dooley - Travis Muchow - (brain tumor) - Steve Remund - Multiple Myeloma (cancer) - Brent Baumann - heart surgery - Gloria Baumann - ALS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seth Bolon - Michael Dolly - Caitlyn Glover
Ministry	His Ark
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Resurrection Lutheran Church - His Ark CCDC - Come and See - Dayspring - SF Lutheran School - Lutheran High School 	<p>Grayson - Parents Addy & Cody Myla & Roscoe - Parents Sara & Jason Elliott - Parents Stacy & John Staff: Wesley Nelson</p>

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

James 1:22 - "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves." The Word of God is not merely to be heard, but to be received and believed. Our faith is implanted and strengthened by the Word of God. And as Luther said, "Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. And so, it is impossible for it not to do good works incessantly." James reminds us of this - and encourages us to examine our lives and come to repentance where we can see that we are not living out our faith in sincerity.

Offering Statistics		Weeks in April	YTD
Received	\$ 21,229.95	\$ 89,898.09	
Budgeted	\$ 23,223.08	\$ 98,698.09	
Over/(Under) Budget	\$ (1,993.13)	\$ (8,800.00)	
Above Includes E-giving, Jan-Apr: \$ 15,923.07			

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CELEBRATIONS: May and June



MAY ANNIVERSARIES		
NAME	DAY	CELEBRATING
Christopher and Laurie Ascher	1	21 years
Cory and Elizabeth Ahrendt	10	23 years
Andrew and Danette Baumann	10	6 years
Allen and Abby Robbennolt	13	3 years
Michael and Theresa Dennis	17	17 years
Kent and Marlys Harnisch	18	29 years
Josh and Jenna Neugebauer	19	8 years
Andrew and Danette Baumann	22	50 years
Dick and Alvira Stempges	22	49 years
Marvin and JoEtta Kurtz	26	64 years
Tyler and Kayla Bailey	29	9 years
Stephen and Jade Fjelstad	29	16 years
John and Kham Holeton	30	15 years

MAY BIRTHDAYS	
NAME	DAY
Connie Hoefer	1
Rebecca Kabeya	2
Stephen Fjelstad	3
Marie-Louise Kabeya	3
Lori Bierwagen	4
Kham Holeton	4
Ryker Swab	4
Edna Bierwagen	8
Larry Sroufe	8
Anthony Kuhlmann	13
Ashley Geraets	15
Hannah Geraets	15
Doris VanderHamm	17
Douglas Metz	18
Elizabeth Ahrendt	21
Tasha Jurrens	21
Alvira Stempges	21
Inez Cotton	28
Marvin Kurtz	31
Bryson Metz	31



JUNE ANNIVERSARIES		JUNE BIRTHDAYS		
NAME	Celebrating	NAME	DATE	
Rick and Shelli Dolly	37 years	4	John Mbanda	1
Ryan and Maranda Meyer	23 years	7	Brad Pick	1
Mike and Pat Wehde	52 years	7	Kristi Buelow	2
Jesse and Dessie Neyens	8 years	9	Luke Olson	3
Jason and Meghan Glover	23 years	14	Janna Christiansen	7
Douglas and Kiley Metz	18 years	15	Barbara Lewis	7
Tyler and Sarah Kehn	13 years	16	Kendra Saylor	11
Bruce and Connie Hoefer	43 years	19	Angela Dickhaut	13
Clint and Cally Sperle	22 years	20	Benjamin Honkomp	15
Gene and Bonnie Limmer	62 years	21	Logan Bailey	16
			Jonathan Baumann	17
			Bethany Ng'andu	18
			Kira Ward	18
			Emily Geraets	19
			Sheri Bolon	21
			Jason Merritt	21
			Kelsey Pick	22
			Anastasia Trainer	23
			Josh Neugebauer	26
			Beatrice Mukala	27
			Kevin Bierwagen	28
			Virginia Strubbe	30
			Mike Wehde	30