

Welcome to Resurrection Lutheran

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

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AS WE GATHER

What do you do when you wait?
What do others do? Whether
sitting in the lobby of a doctor's
office, or stuck behind a mile of
cars in traffic, or counting down
the days until an exciting event—
what is done while waiting? Some
seek distraction through
technology to pass the time,
others watch the time slowly pass,
and still others wait impatiently,
made known through verbal and

nonverbal ways. How about when it comes to Jesus? What do we do while we wait for Him? Rather than seeking distractions to pass the time or feverishly looking at a clock while growing impatient, we are instead called to wait for Him in faith. We do not know the day nor the hour, but we wait in faith with more than oil in our lamps—faith in our hearts and on our lips until we meet the Bridegroom at the marriage feast.

We begin with Welcome! Hello! Glad you're here!

SERVICE TODAY: Divine Setting IV

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(Hymns; and Prayers/Texts that change weekly are below)

Opening Hymn: #516 Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

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Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

Amos 5:18-24

Let Justice Roll Down

¹⁸Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!

Why would you have the day of the LORD?

It is darkness, and not light,

¹⁹as if a man fled from a lion,

and a bear met him,

or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall,

and a serpent bit him.

²⁰Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light,

and gloom with no brightness in it?

²¹"I hate, I despise your feasts,

and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

²²Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,

I will not accept them;

and the peace offerings of your fattened animals,

I will not look upon them.

²³Take away from me the noise of your songs;

to the melody of your harps I will not listen.

²⁴But let justice roll down like waters,

and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

The Coming of the Lord

¹³But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

¹⁷Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸Therefore encourage one another with these words.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

The Parable of the Ten Virgins

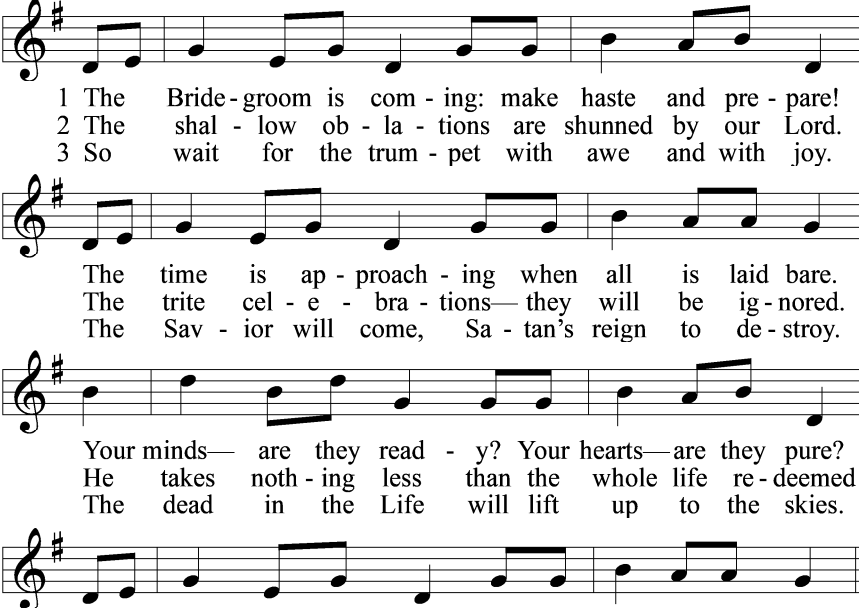
¹[Jesus said:] “The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ⁷Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’ ¹⁰And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. ¹¹Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ ¹²But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’ ¹³Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

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

Children's Message

SERMON HYMN: The Bridegroom Is Coming

The Bridegroom Is Coming



1 The Bride-groom is com - ing: make haste and pre - pare!
 2 The shal - low ob - la - tions are shunned by our Lord.
 3 So wait for the trum - pet with awe and with joy.

The time is ap - proach - ing when all is laid bare.
 The trite cel - e - bra - tions— they will be ig - nored.
 The Sav - ior will come, Sa - tan's reign to de - stroy.

Your minds— are they read - y? Your hearts— are they pure?
 He takes noth - ing less than the whole life re - deemed
 The dead in the Life will lift up to the skies.

The one in the Lord can a - wait Him se - cure.
 And grants it His fa - vor as Je - sus es - teemed.
 And all in Christ's name will be gath - ered to rise.

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Sermon

Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

CONTINUE

P God of our salvation, we know neither the day nor the hour of Christ's return, but we know that He has died and is risen again to open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Until that day, preserve us in faith and guard us from temptation. Do not let us be caught unprepared for His coming. Let us live our days in loving service and joyful expectation of the life of the world to come; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever.

C Amen.

Offering

"It Is Well"

Resurrection Lutheran Choir and Sioux Falls Lutheran School Choir

Service of the Sacrament LSB 208

Distribution Hymns: #508 The Day is Surely Drawing Near; #513 The Clouds of Judgment Gather; #968 My Lord, What a Morning; #673 Jerusalem, My Happy Home

CLOSING HYMN: #663 Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

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