

# WORSHIP WITH RESURRECTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

*First Sunday of Advent*

SUNDAY, NOV. 28, 2021 • 8:15 & 10:45 A.M.

**Welcome to worship at Resurrection**, where we embrace the full inclusion of all people in our life and ministries. Our fervent hope is that you experience the presence of God among us. This bulletin will guide you as we worship together.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

*From Heaven Above to Earth I Come*

arr. Lindholm

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who alone does wonders, who lifts up the lowly, who fills the hungry with good things.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin, trusting in the tender mercy of our God.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God for whom we wait,

**C: in the presence of one another, we confess our sin before you. We fail in believing that your good news is for us. We falter in our call to tend your creation. We find our sense of self in material wealth. We fear those different from ourselves. We forget that we are your children and turn away from your love. Forgive us, Blessed One, and assure us again of your saving grace. Amen.**

P: God, in Christ Jesus, has looked with favor upon you! Through the power of the Holy Spirit, † your sins are forgiven. You are children of the Most High, inheritors of the eternal promise, and recipients of divine mercy. God strengthens you anew to follow the way of peace.

**C: Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

*People, Look East*

**#248**

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C: And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

*We Are Waiting for Jesus*

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 33:14-16

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

PSALM (sung responsively; all sing refrain)

Psalms 25:1-10

**Refrain: To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.**

L: To you, O Lord,  
I lift up my soul.

**C: My God, I put my trust in you; let me not be put to shame,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

L: Let none who look to you be put to shame;  
rather let those be put to shame who are treacherous.

**C: Show me your ways, O Lord,  
and teach me your paths. (refrain)**

L: Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

**C: Remember, O Lord, your compassion and love,  
for they are from everlasting. (refrain)**

L: Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;  
remember me according to your steadfast love and for the sake of your  
goodness, O Lord.

**C: You are gracious and upright, O Lord;  
therefore you teach sinners in your way.**

L: You lead the lowly in justice  
and teach the lowly your way.

**C: All your paths, O Lord, are steadfast love and faithfulness  
to those who keep your covenant and your testimonies. (refrain)**

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

L: Word of God, word of life.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Luke 21:25-36

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

P: The gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Ryan Bailey

HYMN OF THE DAY

*Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers*

**#244**

## NICENE CREED

**C: We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary  
and became truly human.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L: In this season of watching and waiting, let us pray for all people and places that yearn for God's presence.

*A brief silence.*

L: God of presence and peace, strengthen your church around the globe to proclaim the message of your love coming to the world. Open our hearts to recognize your face in all people and in all of creation. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

L: God of creation and nurture, be a healing balm to our wounded planet. Help us protect the world and not prey on it. Help us sow beauty, not destruction. May we nurture what you have lovingly created. Hear us, O God.

**C: Your mercy is great.**

L: God of equity and compassion, bring righteousness and goodness to all peoples of the earth. Give a heart of wisdom, discernment, and integrity to leaders in local, state, and federal governments. Guide all world leaders in ways that promote justice and peace. Hear us, O God.  
**C: Your mercy is great.**

L: God of comfort and care, be present with those who watch and wait. Come to all who await healing. Bring strength and peace to life transitions of every kind. We especially remember all we name now, either silently or aloud. *[Silence]* Hear us, O God.  
**C: Your mercy is great.**

L: God of promises kept and new dreams awakened, shelter your people from natural and human destruction. We pray for those whose lives have been upended by floods, fires, storms, war, and other disasters. Bless the work of Lutheran Disaster Response, Lutheran World Relief, and other organizations that provide hope, healing, and resources to those in need. Hear us, O God.  
**C: Your mercy is great.**

L: God of companionship and community, we give you thanks for the saints who journeyed with us and now abide in you. Even in distress and uncertainty, make us confident that your promises endure forever. Hear us, O God.  
**C: Your mercy is great.**

P: God of new life, you come among us in the places we least expect. Receive these prayers and those of our hearts, in the name of Jesus.  
**C: Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**C: And also with you.**

### OFFERING

*With gratitude and joy, we offer something of our lives to God as part of our service to the world. Resurrection people give financially online and through the mail as well as here in worship. To give online, visit [rlcindy.org/give](http://rlcindy.org/give)*

### OFFERTORY PRAYER

L: God of our waiting and watching, we offer the gifts of our hearts and our lives to the service of all your people. Prepare the way before us as we meet you in this simple meal, through Christ Jesus, our pathway and our peace.  
**C: Amen.**

## HOLY COMMUNION

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: Blessed are you, God of David, for your faithfulness is steadfast and your mercy has been from of old ...

And so with angels and archangels, we praise your name, joining the company of heaven in their unending hymn.

**C: Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of pow'r and God of might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the one who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.  
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

P: God of glory, for whose coming we wait, make this meal we share a sign that our redemption draws near ...

By your same Spirit, sanctify this bread and this cup, that they may be for us the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord ...

Great is the mystery of faith.

**C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P: God of power, you have promised to make your way to us; come quickly to those who wait for you ...

Bring us through all that is passing away to the life that shall never pass away, when every eye shall be lifted up to gaze upon your Son in everlasting glory with all your saints, and when the redemption for which we have longed shall forever be ours, in the company of your Son and the power of your Spirit, holy Father, blessed Trinity.

**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.**

DISTRIBUTION

P: Come to Christ’s banquet. Feast on God’s gift of grace.

LAMB OF GOD

COMMUNION HYMN

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

P: The body and the blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**C: Amen.**

L: Let us pray. Most High God, you have come among us at this table. By the Spirit’s power, form us to be bearers of your word, sharing gifts of mercy and grace with all, through Christ Jesus, our host and our guest.

**C: Amen.**

BLESSING

P: The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing, so that we may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ Jesus for whom we wait.

**C: Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

*Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending*

#435

DISMISSAL

L: Go in peace. Christ is near.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

*All Earth Awaits*

arr. Compton

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**THOSE SERVING**

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**Assisting Minister**  
8:15 a.m. Frank Bates  
10:45 a.m. Leslie Daugherty

**Altar Guild**  
10:45 a.m. Joy Bodine

**Ushers**  
Gail Bailey, Dick Benjamin, Rob Forgey,  
David Klimes

**Scripture Reader**  
10:45 a.m. Diana Deitch

**A/V Soundboard**  
8:15 a.m. Chris Hoffman  
10:45 a.m. Mark Copenhaver

**A/V Videography**  
Lynnette & Steve Browder

**Organist**  
David Duncan

**Music**  
Laura Mueller

  
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