

September 13, 2026
RESURRECTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

HOLY CROSS DAY

TRANSFERRED FROM SEPTEMBER 14TH

*We invite you to help us create sacred space by
turning off your electronic devices, breathing deeply,
recognizing yourself and the people around you
as created in God's image, and praying to be
open to the Spirit of God among us.*



YOU ARE WELCOME at Resurrection Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Metropolitan Chicago Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA).

CHILDREN are welcome in worship, and we give thanks for joyful noises made to the Lord! The playground table near the entrance has coloring supplies and the carpeted area in Fellowship Hall (through the doors by the pulpit) has toys and books for children and rocking chairs for parents.

Our sanctuary is great for music but can make hearing spoken words tricky. The pulpit side speakers work best and **HEARING ASSISTANCE** aids are available in the narthex (entryway) or from an usher. Larger print bulletins are also available in the narthex.

RESTROOMS are available at the bottom of the west stairs in the narthex (entryway) of the church. Accessible restrooms are available in the Fellowship Hall. Please ask an usher or pew neighbor if you need help locating facilities.

We are a **RECONCILING IN CHRIST** congregation, openly welcoming, celebrating the participation of, and advocating for/with people of all sexual orientations, gender expressions, and gender identities. In our baptismal affirmation, we promise to strive for justice and peace in all the earth and are committed to anti-racism in the church and world.

We receive **HOLY COMMUNION**, trusting God's promises that Jesus is fully present in, with, and under the bread and wine and that these elements are given and shed for us. Jesus is the host of this holy meal, and we trust he would invite all to come forward to receive. You can also come forward for a spoken blessing.

WORSHIPPING VIA ZOOM, the meeting link is on our website www.rlclakeview.com or go to www.zoom.com and use the following credentials: Meeting ID: 864 1603 4369 and Passcode: 588633. You can also call in using +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago).

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CHICAGO, IL 60657 + (773) 525-0605 + WWW.RLCLAKEVIEW.COM

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Vexilla Regis

Healy Willan

PRELUDE

WELCOME

HYMN

Lift High the Cross

ELW #660

We face the cross in procession in reverence to Jesus who leads us in faith.

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

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

Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross so that he might draw the whole world to himself. To those who look upon the cross, grant your wisdom, healing, and eternal life, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

WORD

Lois Barliant

[From Mount Hor the Israelites set out,] ^{4b} but the people became discouraged on the way. ⁵ The people spoke against God and against Moses, “Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.” ⁶ Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. ⁷ The people came to Moses and said, “We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.” So Moses prayed for the people. ⁸ And the LORD said to Moses, “Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole, and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.” ⁹ So Moses made a serpent of bronze and put it upon a pole, and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

Thanks be to God.

**⁴ Shout with joy to the LORD, | all you lands;
lift up your voice, re- | joice, and sing.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-24

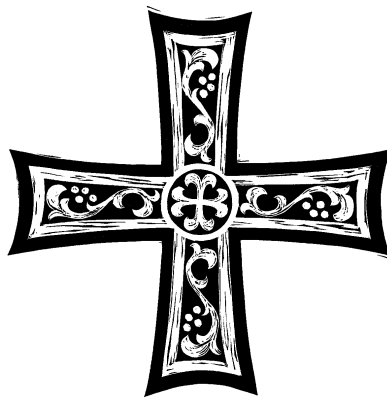
Tricia Gigstad

A reading from First Corinthians:

¹⁸ The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.” ²⁰ Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scholar? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of the proclamation, to save those who believe. ²² For Jews ask for signs and Greeks desire wisdom, ²³ but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to gentiles, ²⁴ but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Choir: Sing, my tongue the glorious battle; tell the triumph far and wide;
tell aloud the wondrous story of the cross the Crucified.
tell how Christ the world's redeemer vanquished death the day he died.

GOSPEL READING: John 3:13-17

The holy gospel according to John:

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said:] ¹³ “No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶ “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷ “Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

The gospel of the Lord,

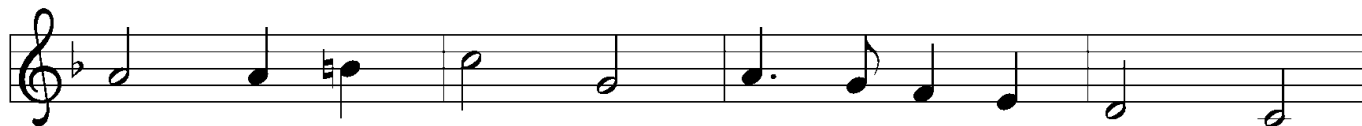
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

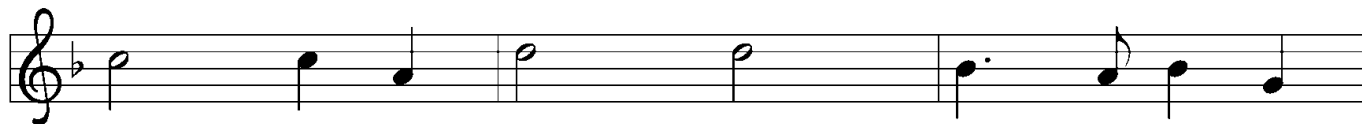
Silence for meditation follows the sermon.



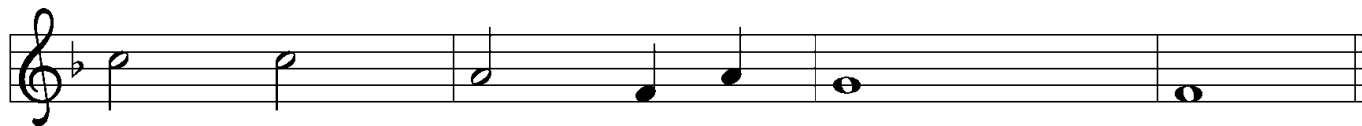
All There in God's gar - den stands the Tree of Wis - dom,
 High voices Its name is Je - sus, name that says, "Our Sav - ior!"
 Low voices Thorns not its own are tan - gled in its fo - liage;
 Choir See how its branch - es reach to us in wel - come;



whose leaves hold forth the heal - ing of the na - tions:
 There on its branch - es see the scars of suf - f'ring;
 our greed has starved it, our de - spite has choked it.
 hear what the Voice says, "Come to me, ye wea - ry!



Tree of all knowl - edge, Tree of all com -
 see there the ten - drills of our hu - man
 Yet, look! it lives! its grief has not de -
 Give me your sick - ness, give me all your



pas - sion, Tree of all beau - ty.
 self - hood feed on its life - blood.
 stroyed it nor fire con - sumed it.
 sor - row, I will give bless - ing."

All This is my ending
 this my resurrection;
 into your hands, Lord,
 I commit my spirit.
 This have I searched for;
 now I can possess it.
 This ground is holy.

All All heav'n is singing,
 "Thanks to Christ whose passion
 offers in mercy
 healing, strength, and pardon.
 Peoples and nations,
 take it, take it freely!"
 Amen! My Master!

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church we confess our faith:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Brent Lee

United with the great cloud of witnesses throughout the ages, we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

For the church. For bishops, pastors, deacons, and all the baptized. For chaplains, missionaries, and those who serve in specialized settings. Guide us in the way of the cross, and lead us in paths of faithful service. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For the nations and their leaders. Bring an end to warfare, violence, and injustice. Teach us to live in peace with one another. Lift up those who live under oppression. Watch over those who flee their homes in search of safety and freedom. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For those in need. For those yearning for meaning and purpose. For those who lack stable employment or safe housing. For those who grieve, and for those who are ill. Heal their wounds and comfort them in their distress. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

For this assembly. For Sunday school teachers and preschool directors. For students and teachers in public and private schools. Fill us all with zeal for learning. Energize us to give ourselves away in love for our neighbors. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lord, we ask that you bless the coming Harvest as we pray for God's blessings and provisions for the coming winter. With gratitude, we thank you for the rewards of our faithful sowing in the days ahead. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

With thanksgiving, we remember Helena, the mother of Constantine, and all who have gone before us in faith. Bring us with them through the promise of the holy cross into the hope and joy of the resurrection. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

In the company of your saints we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your eternal mercy and love; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GREETING OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

We sit after greeting one another in peace.

IN OUR COMMUNITY

OFFERING

Our offerings include our time, talents, and treasures.

Please bring forward when you come to commune or receive a blessing.

If you prefer to give online, please visit www.rlclakeview.com/give.

MUSICAL OFFERING

Now the Green Blade Rises

Joe Cox

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Brent Lee

Let us pray: God of creation,

you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly.

All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have.

Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts

in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE FOR THE SEASON AFTER PENTECOST

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God,
our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food,
you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.
You sent your Son to eat with sinners
and to become food for the world.

In the night in which he was betrayed,
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
and gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore,
his life given for us
and his rising from the grave,
we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal:
strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want,
and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours,
Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit,
in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

Our congregation sings or prays the Lord's Prayer in a variety of ways. During this season, we sing the prayer in unison.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Fa - ther in heav - en, hal - lowed be your name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav - en.
Give us to - day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we
for - give those who sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of tri - al
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow'r,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ invites you to this table.

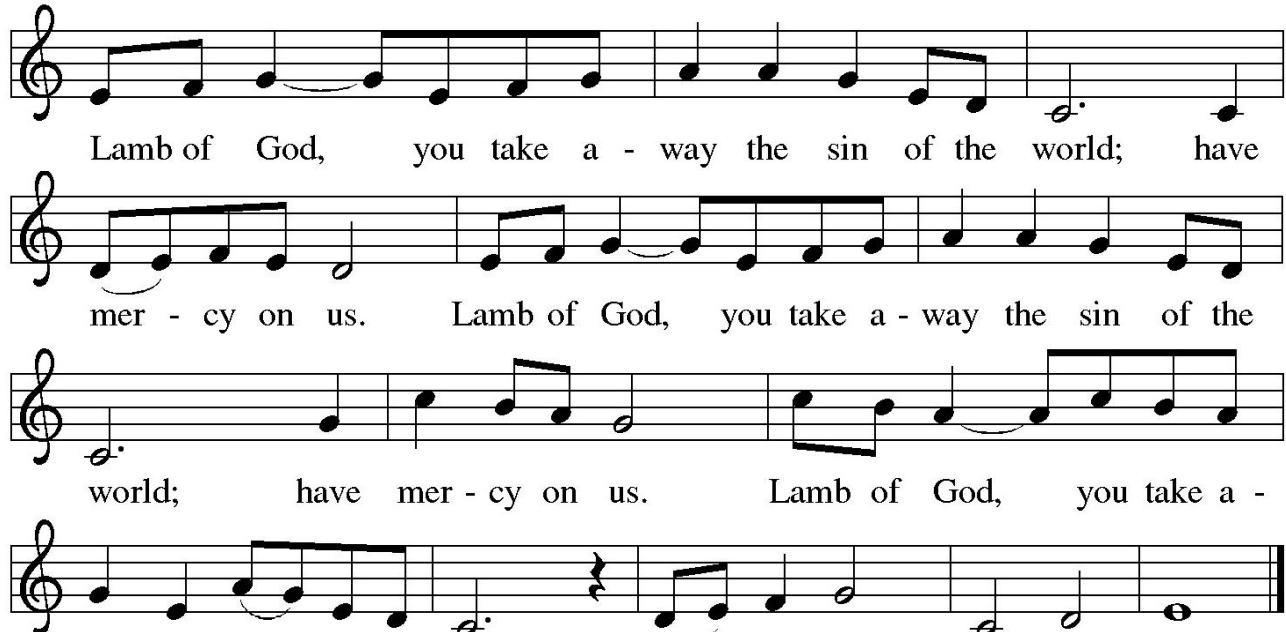
All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION

We receive communion in the form of bread or wafer (a gluten-free option is available) and wine or grape juice by intinction (dipping just the wafer in the chalice). We trust that Jesus is fully present in, with, and under the bread and that the sacrament is given “for me.” Those not communing are welcome to come forward for a spoken blessing.

AGNUS DEI

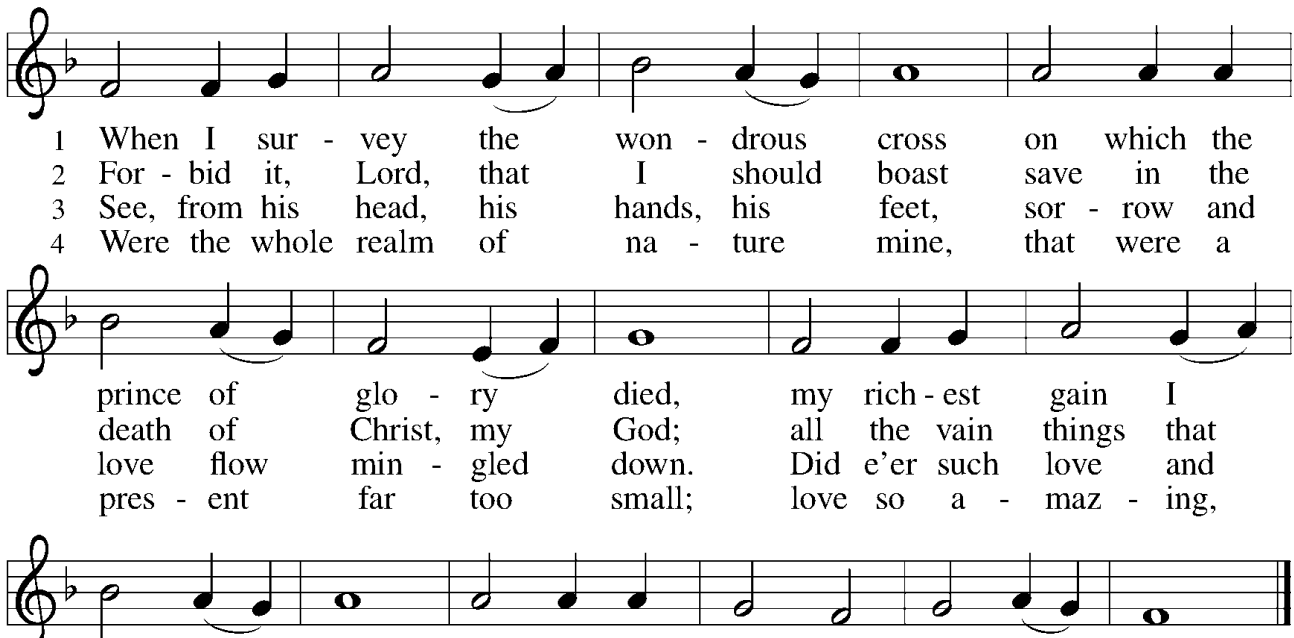


Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

ELW #803



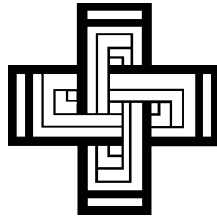
1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross on which the
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a
prince of glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down. Did e'er such love and
pres - ent far too small; love so a - maz - ing,
count but loss and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

After all have returned to their places, we stand as able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Brent Lee

Let us pray: Sustaining God,
with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life.
By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world.
Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love,
following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray.
Amen.



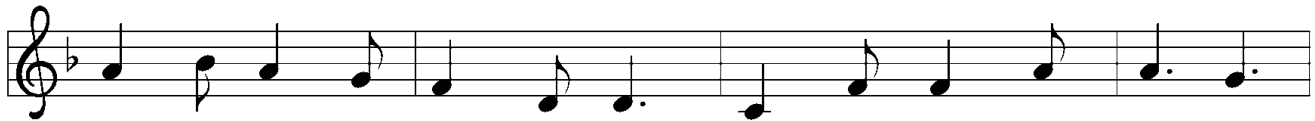
SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

HYMN

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

ELW #335

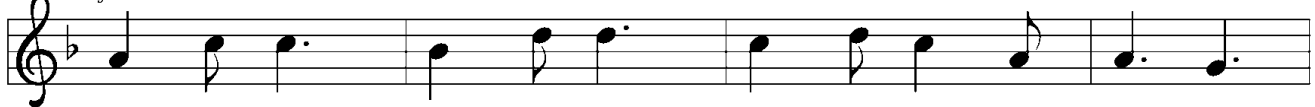


1 Je - sus, keep me near the cross, there's a pre - cious foun - tain;
2 Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;
3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;
4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,



free to all, a heal - ing stream flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
there the bright and morn - ing star sheds its beams a - round me.
help me walk from day to day with its shad - ow o'er me.
till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.

Refrain



In the cross, in the cross be my glo - ry ev - er;



till my ran - somed soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

BLESSING

The God of love draw you into full accord and one mind,
in the body of Christ Jesus.

Amen.

The God of hope grant you strength and joy in all circumstances
through the interceding of the Spirit.

Amen.

The God of grace ☩ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Brent Lee

Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.

Thanks be to God.

Following the dismissal, some people will remain in the pews to listen to the postlude. Others will quietly greet one another or depart toward Fellowship Hall (through the door next to the pulpit) or out the doors onto the sidewalk when weather is mild.

POSTLUDE

Voluntary on *This Is the Feast* Charles Callahan (1951-2025)

LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

PRESIDING MINISTER
Pastor Harry Tingley

TABLESETTER
Frank Patrick

ZOOM HOST
Eloise Thompson

ASSISTING MINISTER
Brent Lee

ACOLYTE
Oliver Apel

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
Gary Jensen

LECTORS
Lois Barliant
Tricia Gigstad

USHERS
Katie Schmees
Lorenzo Mix

UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Holy Cross Day

Monday, September 14, 2026

Helena, mother of Constantine, made a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and found what may be the actual site of Jesus' crucifixion. Her son built two churches there, and the dedication of one of them gave rise to this celebration of our Lord's victory on the cross.

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IN OUR PRAYERS

STEWARDSHIP TEAM PRAYER

Lord, we ask that you bless the coming Harvest as we pray for God's blessings and provisions for the coming winter. With gratitude, we thank you for the rewards of our faithful sowing in the days ahead.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL, HOSPITALIZED, OR RECOVERING AT HOME

Lois Baumann	Jenny, <i>friend of the Youngmans</i>
Ed Blaus, <i>father of Linda Chin</i>	Joan and Bob Madsen, <i>sister and brother-in-law of Eloise Thompson</i>
Eddie Blaus, <i>cousin of Linda Chin</i>	Padraig McGuire
Ian Carlson, <i>friend of Rick Kline</i>	Patricia McGuire, <i>mother of Padraig McGuire</i>
Clemmer family, <i>friends of Dirlams</i>	Anne Roberts
Mark Flinner, <i>friend of David Thoele</i>	Lauren Schmees, <i>sister-in-law of Katie Schmees</i>
Clayton Gard, <i>nephew of Harry Tingley</i>	Mike Schmees, <i>father of Katie Schmees</i>
Sandy Geiwitz, <i>family of Linda Chin</i>	David Schuman, <i>nephew of Opal Katsma</i>
Tyrone Generette, <i>friend of Sherman Hicks</i>	Robert Schuman, <i>brother of Opal Katsma</i>
Michael Hazard, <i>friend of David Thoele</i>	Sandy Shew, <i>father of Nick Shew</i>
Larry Jensen, <i>friend of the Youngmans</i>	Margaret Traves, <i>cousin of Linda Chin</i>
Harvey Kahler	Charlotte VanDenburgh, <i>mother of Ann Marie Walsh</i>
Jim Lee, <i>father of Brett Lee</i>	

FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Alexandra and Spencer Crowe, <i>niece and spouse of Rick Kline</i>	Joshua Fairbanks, <i>family of Rick Kline</i>
Jonathan and Mark Bangert, <i>family of the Ericksons</i>	Christian Youngman

FOR THOSE BAPTIZED THIS YEAR

Miller Mainquist 2.15	Joanne Fong 5.3
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FOR THOSE WHO MOURN THE DEATH OF

Katherine Gehrke, *friend of Linda and Bill Chin*

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Kristine Bergman	9/7	Rob Youngman	9/22
Melissa Miller Furgeson	9/9	Kathy Erickson	9/24
Alexander "Lex" Gwinn	9/16	Eric Berg	9/25
Reese Gwinn	9/16	Marshall Marrs	9/27
Lorenzo Mix	9/19		

We try to keep our prayer list up to date. If you would like to add or edit someone, please let us know by leaving a note in the offering, emailing or calling the church office (773) 525-0605

IN OUR COMMUNITY

OUR PRESIDER THIS MORNING

We are thankful to have the Rev. Harry Tingley with us this morning as Pastor Kelly is on vacation this week. Harry is an ordained priest in the Episcopal Church, a denomination in full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Harry is known to us at RLC as a member, musician, former office administrator, and husband to Gary (RLC Director of Music).

FALL MINISTRY SURVEY

Help us plan for the fall and new ministry groups at RLC by completing the insert or accessing the survey online through the weekly email.

LLP CONFIRMATION RESUMES SEPTEMBER 20 @ 10:50AM

Resurrection has participated with the Lakeview Lutheran Parish (LLP) Confirmation Program since its inception in 2021. Next week, this program for 7th and 8th graders resumes, and RLC will serve as host for September, October, and November. Confirmation youth and their families are encouraged to experience a variety of worship settings by attending where the class is meeting, so we might see some new-to-us faces next week. The LLP is a collaboration between Resurrection, Holy Trinity, LakeView, and Saint Luke, all congregations in our neighborhood that are part of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES SEPTEMBER 20 @ 8:30AM

Our one room Sunday School for children Kindergarten - 6th grade resumes September 20 at 8:30am. From Septemebtr through May, we will meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month from 8:30-9:15am and enjoy singing with Gary, a bible lesson with Pastor Kelly, and prayer and snack time. Parents are strongly encouraged to participate with their children.

PET FOOD DRIVE HOSTED BY RESURRECTION LUTHERAN CHURCH SEPT 6 - OCT 3



DONATE PET FOOD

Thank you for aiding in helping our community.
Here are the items our neighbors commonly request:

- Dry dog food
- Dry cat food
- Kitty litter
- Wet cat food
- Wet dog food

We are able to accept open bags of non-expired dry food and loose cans, full, or partial cases of wet food.

Welcome to Resurrection!

We are glad you are worshipping with us!

If you are visiting for the first-time or would like to know more about RLC, please complete this form, detach, and put in the offering plate.

Name(s): _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Check all that apply:

- ☐ I am visiting for the first time.
- ☐ I would like to know more about RLC.
- ☐ I am interested in membership.
- ☐ I would like to receive RLC's weekly email.
- ☐ I would like the pastor to contact me via
 - ☐ phone
 - ☐ text
 - ☐ email



THIS WEEK @ RLC

Sunday, September 13, 2026

9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

Tuesday, September 15, 2026

7:00 p.m. Church Council

Wednesday, September 16, 2026

8:45 p.m. NA

Sunday, September 20, 2026

8:30 – 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. Worship
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour
10:50 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. LLP Confirmation

District 19 Mutual Aid

Item Drop-Off

Tues & Wed 5:30pm-8:30pm
Thurs & Sat 9am-1pm

<https://sites.google.com/view/19thdistrict/home>