#### Resurrection Lutheran Church

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Resurrection Lutheran Church is called by God, to reach beyond our walls and share the Good News, bringing Christ to the world through Prayer, Love, and Action.

# Sunday, January 3, 2021—9:30 AM Second Sunday of Christmas Holy Communion

All are welcome to commune and receive Christ in bread and wine. Please fill out a communion card and give it to the usher when coming forward for Communion.

#### INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Within the gospel reading's profound words lies the simple message that God is revealed in a human person. Though we may try to understand how the Word existed with God from the beginning of time, the wonder we celebrate at Christmas is that the Word continues to dwell among us. Christ comes among us in the gathered assembly, the scriptures, the waters of new birth, and the bread and the wine. Through these ordinary gifts we receive the fullness of God's grace and truth.

WELCOME

CENTERING PRAYER

**CENTERING MUSIC** 

#### **CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

The assembly stands. All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.
- C Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

#### C Amen.

P Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

### Time of silence and self-examination

- P Gracious God,
- C have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.
- P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

#### C Amen.

### **PEACE**

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

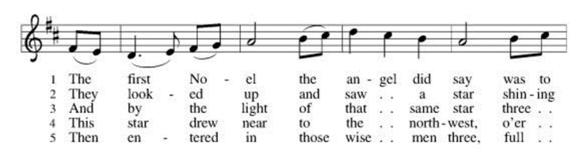
C And also with you.

### **SHARING OF PEACE**

### **OPENING HYMN**

ELW #300

# The First Noel





### **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.

### **HYMN OF PRAISE**





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray

C Almighty God, you have filled all the earth with the light of your incarnate Word. By your grace empower us to reflect your light in all that we do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### Please be seated

#### FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:7-14

<sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD: Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." <sup>8</sup>See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here. <sup>9</sup>With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back. I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel. and Ephraim is my firstborn. <sup>10</sup>Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." <sup>11</sup>For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him. <sup>12</sup>They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again.

13 Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry.
I will turn their mourning into joy,
I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow.
14 I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty.

L The word of the Lord.C Thanks be to God.

### PSALM: Psalm 147:12-20 (read responsively)

<sup>12</sup>Worship the LORD, | O Jerusalem; praise your | God, O Zion, 13 who has strengthened the bars | of your gates and has blessed your chil- | dren within you. <sup>14</sup>God has established peace | on your borders and satisfies you with the | finest wheat. 15God sends out a command | to the earth, a word that runs | very swiftly. <sup>16</sup>God gives | snow like wool, scattering | frost like ashes. <sup>17</sup>God scatters | hail like bread crumbs. Who can stand a- | gainst God's cold? <sup>18</sup>The LORD sends forth the | word and melts them; the wind blows, and the | waters flow. <sup>19</sup>God declares the | word to Jacob, statutes and judg- | ments to Israel.

<sup>20</sup>The LORD has not done so to any | other nation; they do not know God's judgments. | Hallelujah!

# **SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:3-14**

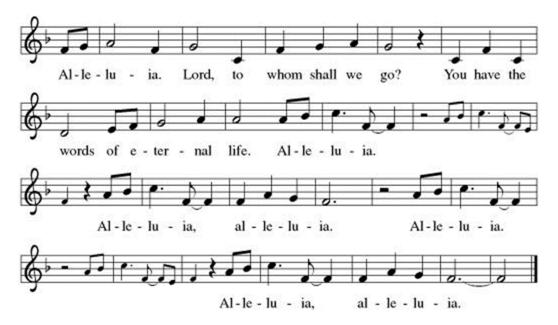
<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup>that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>he has

made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

- P The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand as you are able GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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### GOSPEL: John 1:[1-9] 10-18

- P The holy gospel according to John
- C Glory to you, O Lord.

[¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being ⁴in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. <sup>9</sup>The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world.]

<sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth. <sup>15</sup>(John testified to him and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks ahead of me because he was before me.'") <sup>16</sup>From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup>The law indeed was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>No one has ever seen God. It is God the only Son, who is close to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

P The gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated **SERMON** 

**Reverend Tim Manwell** 

Stand as you are able HYMN OF THE DAY

ELW #296

# What Child Is This





### **APOSTLES' CREED**

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.\*

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—Joining our voices with the song of the angels, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven.

A brief silence. Each petition ends:

Hear us, O God.  $\mathbf{C}$ Your mercy is great.

P God of mercy, come quickly to us with grace upon grace as we lift these and all our prayers to you, in the name of Jesus.

 $\mathbf{C}$ Amen.

Please be seated

**OFFERING OFFERTORY SONG** 

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you:

we are an offering. Lord use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord use our lives, they are yours: we are an offering

all that we hope to be,

All that we have, all that we are,

we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering,

we are an offering.

"We Are an Offering"

ELW #692

#### **OFFERING PRAYER**

- P Let us pray.
- C Good and loving God, we rejoice in the birth of Jesus, who came among the poor to bring the riches of your grace. As you have blessed us with your gifts, let them be blessing for others. With the trees of the field, with all earth and heaven, we shout for joy at the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING SONG ELW #290

# Go Tell It on the Mountain

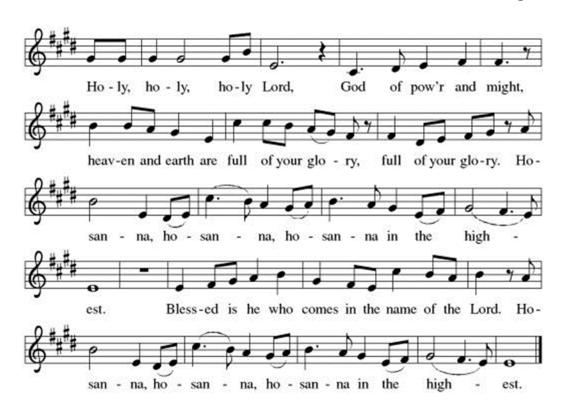


#### **DIALOGUE**

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- C We lift them up to the Lord.
- P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

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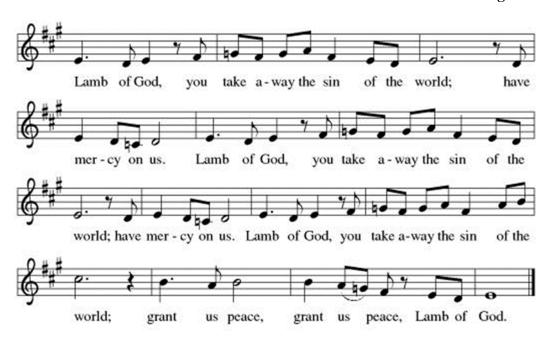
#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER
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.

#### **INVITATION TO COMMUNION -** all are invited \*gluten free wafers are available

Please be seated LAMB OF GOD

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### TABLE BLESSING

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

C Amen.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P Let us pray.

C Radiant God, with our eyes we have seen your salvation, and in this meal we have feasted on your grace. May your Word take flesh in us, that we may be your holy people, revealing your glory made known to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

### BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

### SENDING MUSIC

### DISMISSAL

P Go in peace and do something. Christ is with you.

C Thanks be to God.

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Pastor Director of Music Darryl Thompson Powell Henrietta Atkin

### Thank you Pastor Tim Manwell for leading worship today!



The flowers on the altar today are from Alan and Barb Miralgio in memory of Alan's sister Sharon.

### **TODAY'S SCHEDULE**

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

#### THIS WEEK AT RESURRECTION

# Monday, January 4

12:00 pm Food Pantry & Clothing Closet

### Tuesday, January 5

4:30 pm Outreach Meeting

# Wednesday, January 6

1:00 pm Midweek Worship Service

2:00 pm Bible Study

# Thursday, January 7

### Friday, January 8

Pastor Darryl's Sabbath

### Saturday, January 9

### Sunday, January 10

9:30 am Worship, Holy Communion

11:00 am Contactless Curbside Communion



All donations are appreciated. The items that are currently in need are: **canned pasta. Thank you!** 



**PRAY FOR MEMBERS:** Dave N, Marvin K, and all of our homebound members.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF RLC MEMBERS: Sue Boldt, Rita Von Ratzka's friend Billy Golden, Beth Silenzi's friend Luke and his family, Kathy Kossack's grandson Art, Sue Flanagan's son Robert, housekeeping staff at hospitals and nursing homes, Fred Shoemaker, Atour and her father Fuodor and sister Marina, Lynn and her family, Karen Shumaker's brother Curtis and cousin Joan, John, Elaine, Lamone Carter, Eileen Gorski, Jacob Corona-Strong, Russ Sprenger's daughter Kimberly Shubinski, Henrietta's daughter Sophia, Linda Bike, Lois Sullivan's father Don Scharlow, Christine Riep, Christine Steiskal and family, and Janet Grace's son-in-law Scott Backus.

<u>THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY</u>: Josiah Gross, Edward Scharlow, Joseph Rachmaciej, Mike Brimie, Robert Dilks, and Mike Ignoffo.