



Resurrection   
LUTHERAN CHURCH

*In the Forgiveness  
of Sins*

Matthew 18:15-34

- September 13, 2020 -

## Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

10:00 am– Worship Service

### WHAT TO EXPECT

- ◆ **We are asking you to wear face coverings.** *All employees, members and visitors in attendance shall wear face coverings before, during and after the service, whether indoors or outdoors. Please, continue to wear face coverings to sing – it must stay on for the duration of the service.*
- ◆ **The double doors in the lower lot will be our only access point.**
- ◆ **There will be no sharing of the peace before service or receiving line after church to maximize social distancing.**
- ◆ **Please do not attend church or other church activities if you have a respiratory illness or feel like they are coming down with one for at least 14 days after your full recovery.** Family members should not attend either.
- ◆ **If you are high risk, consider not attending service.** We will continue to stream our worship services for those who cannot attend.
- ◆ **Offering collection: We will not be passing the collection plate during the offertory.** Please either drop your offering in the collection plates by the door or give online. Alternatively, you may mail a check to the church office.
- ◆ **Communion will be coming in prepackaged hosts and cups, of both wine and grape juice. We are planning on having communion only 2 times a month (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays.)** Pastor will consecrate the communion elements during the service and we will commune together in the service at the designated time for communion. There will be a receptacle at the door for disposing the supplies upon leaving the sanctuary.
- ◆ **There will be an elder who will be writing down those attending service.** If an outbreak occurs, this information will allow us to have a way to contact individuals that may have been exposed which may be critical to help save lives.

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PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

“O Day of Rest and Gladness” *LSB 906* verses 1, 3, 4

O day of rest and gladness,  
O day of joy and light,  
O balm for care and sadness,  
Most beautiful, most bright:  
On you the high and lowly,  
Through ages joined in tune,  
Sing, “Holy, holy, holy,”  
To the great God Triune.

Today on weary nations  
The heav’nly manna falls;  
To holy convocations  
The silver trumpet calls,  
Where Gospel light is glowing  
With pure and radiant beams  
And living water flowing  
With soul refreshing streams.

New graces ever gaining  
From this our day of rest,  
We reach the rest remaining  
To spirits of the blest.  
To Holy Ghost be praises,  
To Father, and to Son;  
The Church its voice upraises  
To You, blest Three in One.

INVOCATION

P: We worship in the name of the Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit.  
C: Amen.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Lord of the church, You call a broken people into Your Gospel life and this time of worship to be healed: in times of disagreement teach us to listen, loose us from prejudice and bind us to Your way of forgiving grace; through Jesus Christ, who stands at the heart of our gathering.

**C: Amen.**

## ORDER OF CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Merciful Lord,

**C: We like to think that we do everything well. We pat ourselves on the back when we act with love and mercy toward others, complimenting ourselves in self-righteousness. But You know us better. You know our faults and our failings. You know when we falsely proclaim that we are truly living as You would have us live. Teach us again about Your forgiving and healing love. Show us ways of merciful living that we may extend the love and mercy You have given us to others. Forgive us, we pray.**

*(Silence for Confession and Self-Examination)*

P: Rejoice! You are loved by God who judges your failures and in mercy heals your hearts and spirits. In the name of our Triune + God, we all are forgiven all our sins and healed. Let us go and do likewise.

**C: Amen.**

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

**First Reading:** Ephesians 4:22-32

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## INSTRUMENTAL HYMN

## GOSPEL READING

**Gospel Reading:** Matthew 18:15-34

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

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

## SERMON HYMN

### **“Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive” LSB 843**

*Tune: Consolation LSB 348 (The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns)*

Forgive our sins as we forgive  
You taught us Lord to pray  
But You alone can grant us grace  
To live the words we say

How can Your pardon reach and bless  
The unforgiving heart  
That broods on wrongs and will not let  
Old bitterness depart

In blazing light Your cross reveals  
The truth we dimly knew  
What trivial debts are owed to us  
How great our debt to You

Lord cleanse the depths within our souls  
And bid resentment cease  
Then bound to all in bonds of love  
Our lives will spread Your peace

## APOSTLES' CREED

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.

## SERMON

### **In the Forgiveness of Sins**

Matthew 18:15-34

*Pastor Matt Mantey*

## REFLECTIVE MUSIC

*You can mail an offering or donate via the  
"Give to RLC" button at [resurrection-lcms.org](http://resurrection-lcms.org)*

## PRAISE SONG

### **"You Alone Can Rescue"**

Who O Lord could save themselves  
Their own soul could heal  
Our shame was deeper than the sea  
Your grace is deeper still  
(REPEAT)

#### **Chorus**

And You alone can rescue  
You alone can save  
You alone can lift us from the grave  
You came down to find us led us out of death  
To You alone belongs the highest praise

You O Lord have made a way  
The great divide You healed  
For when our hearts were far away  
Your love went further still  
Yes Your love goes further still

#### **Chorus**

#### **Bridge**

We lift up our eyes  
Lift up our eyes  
You're the giver of life  
We lift up our eyes  
Lift up our eyes  
You're the giver of life

#### **Chorus**

## PRAYERS & LORD'S PRAYER

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

*(After each portion of the prayers)*

P: Lord, in Your mercy,

**C: hear our 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.

## PRAISE CHORUS

### **“Give Us Clean Hands”**

We bow our hearts we bend our knees  
Oh Spirit come make us humble  
We turn our eyes from evil things  
Oh Lord we cast down our idols

### **Chorus**

Give us clean hands give us pure hearts  
Let us not lift our souls to another  
Give us clean hands give us pure hearts  
Let us not lift our souls to another  
And oh God let us be a generation that seeks  
That seeks Your face oh God of Jacob  
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## BENEDICTION

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

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

C: Amen!

## CLOSING SONG

### “Living Hope”

How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night  
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished the end is written  
Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame  
The cross has spoken I am forgiven  
The King of kings calls me His own  
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever  
Jesus Christ my living hope

### Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free  
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me  
You have broken every chain  
There's salvation in Your name  
Jesus Christ my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me

### (REPEAT)

Jesus Yours is the victory whoa

### Ending

Jesus Christ my living hope  
Oh God You are my living hope

## SERVING IN WORSHIP

<b>Pastor (Recorded):</b>	Matthew Mantey
<b>A/V Techs:</b>	Alex Lindeke, Melina Mantey
<b>Elder/Service Leaders:</b>	Bob Rothwell
<b>Organist:</b>	Carl Kishline
<b>Worship Team:</b>	Dale & Suzy Lindeke, Barb Cropp, Martin Lindeke



## In Our Prayers:

- **Help us to forgive each other in our homes, our families and congregation.** Especially help those who have suffered at the hands of others to overcome their pain, to forgive, and to receive healing.
- **We ask that there would be relief from the wildfires soon.** We also lift up all the men and women who are fighting the fires and risking their lives to do so. Keep them safe, O Lord, as they do their work. Finally, that there would be recovery and support for those whose lives have been devastated by the fires.
- **We also pray that your healing would come over our country.** In communities where there are divisions and brokenness, bring your uniting power of forgiveness and wholeness. We especially pray for communities where there is violence and hurt abounding, that those who are causing it would repent of their ways. Lead all of us to repentance for any of the ways we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Bring the US into restoration starting with the forgiveness of sins!
- **We pray for the upcoming election in November.** While still a bit in the future, we know emotions are high around it. We pray your will would be done in the elections on all levels and that no matter the results we would trust in you as our True Leader and Example.
- **Be with those who are sick or receiving medical treatment.** Guide the hands of the doctors and nurses and other health professionals who care for them, and grant them healing.

## ZOOM BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS

### In the Forgiveness of Sins

Read Matthew 18:15-22. What is the pattern of forgiveness you see here? Why can this be so hard for us to live out? What are obstacles to going directly to someone, when dealing with sin?

How do we live a life of forgiving “77 times” like Jesus calls us to? Why does it have to start with focusing on our forgiveness in the eyes of God? When have you forgiven someone you know you wouldn’t have been able to forgive if not for God’s work in your heart?

Do you struggle to believe every sin of every kind can be forgiven? What makes any sin less forgivable in our minds? Even as ones truly forgiven, what damage is done when we don’t embrace and believe that we are truly forgiven our sins by the sacrifice of Jesus? What is the remedy to this?

How does the Christian view of humanity being sinful from birth differ from the world’s perspective of humanity? How does this impact the world around us?

How is the forgiveness of sins, not only healing for us, but also a witness to the larger community?

How is it that sin carries collateral damage? How does it impact more than just God, or just one person?

How does unconfessed sin affect the Christian community? How can we be praying for the larger Christian community around issues of sin and restoration right now?

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9 am—2 pm  
Email: [secretary@resurrection-lcms.org](mailto:secretary@resurrection-lcms.org)

**SUNDAY, September 20th**  
**8:00 am Traditional Worship Service**  
**10:30 am Contemporary Worship service**  
live stream @ [facebook.com/rlcdesmoineswa](https://www.facebook.com/rlcdesmoineswa)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Next week will be a 2 Service Sunday at 8 and 10:30 am!**

To celebrate our rich width of worship at RLC we will be having two services on September 20th at our normal service times. We would ask that you still reserve your spot for your service of choice. We look forward to seeing you at either and to be able to celebrate the Lord's Supper with you all!

### **What's Coming Up?**

We look forward to seeing you next Sunday as we lift our hands and worship together as the church either online or in-person at either 8 or 10:30 am! As we celebrate all our forms of worship here at RLC and partaking in the Lord's Supper at each service, we will be focusing on how we believe in the Resurrection and the Life Everlasting! What powerful words those are to confess in a world so devoid of hope and scared of death right now! May this confession bring peace, hope, and light to our lives next week in both worship services! Then may we go forth with open hands to share Resurrection Hope with all those around us!

### **Reserve Your Spot for either service next week.**

Please continue to inform Rachel in the office that you will be attending service in person so we can get an accurate count. Thank you for your flexibility and understanding during these uncharted times!

### **Zoom Bible Study—Join us at 7 PM on Wednesday**

Zoom Bible Study continues this week on Wednesday at 7 PM. This study will be following our series "Credo" by digging in depth into the Apostles' Creed. On Wednesday we will be exploring what we covered this morning, exploring how the forgiveness of sins impacts not only our lives, but our whole community. We look forward to seeing you there! Regardless of if you join us or not, know we love you saints of the Lord in this community!

### **Keep An Eye Out For Another Pastor's Pondering!**

Keep an eye out on Facebook on Tuesday around 10 am as Pastor Matt will be sharing another Pastor's Pondering Video. He will have a short devotion and mention an outreach idea he has!