



Resurrection
LUTHERAN CHURCH



Amen

2 Corinthians 1:12-24

- September 27, 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 (1st and 3rd 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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10:00 am Service

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN

“Apostles’ Creed Hymn” *Tune: LSB 477 Hymn to Joy*

I believe in God the Father, Maker of the heav’ns and earth
And in Jesus Christ, our Savior, God’s own Son, of human birth.
Virgin born, the Lord incarnate, Whom the Spirit did conceive;
Suffered under Pontius Pilate; He’s the God whom I believe.

Crucified, was dead and buried, Down to hell in victory;
From the dead He rose the third day; Up to heav’n triumphantly.
There at God’s right hand He’s ruling, by His will the world is led.
He will come to judge the nations. Both the living and the dead.

I believe in God the Spirit, In His church, His chosen band.
They are joined in sweet communion, Holy in His sight they stand.

I believe in sins forgiven; That the dead will rise again;
I believe in life eternal. Amen! Amen! Amen!

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: We lift our hands in worship this day and celebrate this truth that no matter how many promises God makes they are “Yes” in Christ! And that through this Savior the “Amen” is spoken by us to the glory of God. As we confess what we believe this morning, and every day, we stand firm in Christ. For He has anointed us, set His seal of ownership on us, and put His Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

C: Amen!

ORDER OF CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: O Son of God,

C: In our sin we let out a loud selfish, “No!” We say no to You, say no to live out Your ways, and say no to love others as You have first loved us. We say no, and do not stand firm, but rather follow the sinful currents of this world. Please, O Lord, say “Yes” and forgive for all our sins as we cry “Amen,” let it be so.

(Silence for Confession and Self-Examination)

P: Today, I declare to you an Amen from the Almighty. Let it be so, all your sins are forgiven by the Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:12-24

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

INSTRUMENTAL HYMN

GOSPEL READING

Gospel Reading: John 3:1-16

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON HYMN

"Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise" LSB 680 verses 1, 2, 4, 5

Thine the amen Thine the praise Alleluias angels raise
Thine the everlasting head Thine the breaking of the bread
Thine the glory Thine the story Thine the harvest then the cup
Thine the vineyard then the cup Is lifted up lifted up.

Thine the life eternally Thine the promise let there be
Thine the vision Thine the tree All the earth on bended knee
Gone the nailing gone the railing Gone the pleading gone the cry
Gone the sighing gone the dying what was loss lifted high.

Thine the kingdom Thine the prize Thine the wonderful surprise
Thine the banquet then the praise Then the justice of Thy ways
Thine the glory Thine the story Then the welcome to the least
Then the wonder all increasing at Thy feast at Thy feast.

Thine the glory in the night No more dying only light
Thine the river Thine the tree Then the lamb eternally
Then the holy holy holy Celebration jubilee
Thine the splendor Thine the brightness only Thee only Thee.

SERMON

Amen

2 Corinthians 1:12-24
Pastor Matt Mantey

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.

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

You can mail an offering or donate via the
"Give to RLC" button at resurrection-lcms.org

PRAISE SONG

"Because He Lives (Amen)"

I believe in the Son
I believe in the Risen One
I believe I overcome
By the power of His blood

Chorus

Amen amen
I'm alive I'm alive because He lives
Amen amen
Let my song join the one that never ends
(Because He lives)

I was dead in the grave
I was covered in sin and shame
I heard mercy call my name
He rolled the stone away

Bridge

Because He lives I can face tomorrow
Because He lives ev'ry fear is gone
I know He holds my life
My future in His hand

Ending

Because He lives

PRAYERS OF PRAISE

PRAISE CHORUS

“Salvation Belongs to Our God”

Salvation belongs to our God
Who sits upon the throne
And unto the Lamb
Praise and glory wisdom and thanks
Honour and power and strength

Chorus

Be to our God forever and ever
Be to our God forever and ever
Be to our God forever and ever
Amen

And we the redeemed shall be strong
In purpose and unity
Declaring aloud
Praise and glory wisdom and thanks
Honour and power and strength

Bridge

Praise and glory wisdom and thanks
Honour and power and strength

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.

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

“We Believe”

In this time of desperation
When all we know is doubt and fear
There is only one foundation
We believe we believe

In this broken generation
When all is dark You help us see
There is only one salvation
We believe we believe

Chorus 1

We believe in God the Father
We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit
And He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion
We believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection
And He's coming back again
We believe

So let our faith be more than anthems
Greater than the songs we sing
In our weakness and temptations
We believe we believe

Chorus 2

We believe in God the Father
We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit
And He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion
We believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection
And He's coming back again

Bridge

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised
In the here and now let love invade
Let the church live loud our God we'll say
We believe we believe
And the gates of hell will not prevail
For the pow'r of God has torn the veil
Now we know Your love will never fail
We believe we believe

Chorus 3

We believe in God the Father
We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit
And He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion
We believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection
And He's coming back
And He's coming back again
And He's coming back again



SERVING IN WORSHIP

Pastor:	Matthew Mantey
A/V Techs:	Dale & Suzy Lindeke
Elder/Service Leaders:	Joe Thomas
Organist:	Carl Kishline
Worship Team:	Chris Linderman, Jim Stranlund, Bob Rothwell

SERMON NOTES

Amen —2 Corinthians 1:12-24

PRAYERS & PRAISES

Praise God:

- **We give you thanks, O Father, that your Son Jesus is our living Amen!** In him there is the affirmation of faith, life, love, and hope. Let it be so in this world that we might go forth to be living amens in this community!
 - **We thank you for the rains that are falling in our region and that the smoke has cleared!** As you bring relief to us, may we celebrate your living water that brings true life. We also pray you bring relief to other communities hard hit by the wildfires and smoke. Bring healing and restoration to all our lands and people!
 - **We continue to give you thanks for the gifts of technology and innovation that have allowed us to stay in touch for Bible Studies, times with loved ones, and meetings.** May we continue to use these gifts to honor you and build relationships.
 - **We also pray for ways of care such as sending cards.** Even though they might be older methods, we know you can work amazing things through them. With that in mind we ask blessings over our Cardstock outreach ministry. We ask your blessings over those cards that relationships could be built through them.

In Our Prayers:

- **As we finish our series Credo, we ask for strength to clarify confess what we believe.** In a world that is so scattered and anxious, may your peace that surpasses all understanding be articulated in clear and loving ways.
- **We ask that there would be continued relief from the wildfires.** 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 continue to pray that you would bring healing and reconciliation to our nation.** There are so many issues that are dividing so many of us, and so we pray that your uniting love and grace would heal relationships and bridge divides. May your peace and restoration come to places of unrest and uncertainty. And we pray that wherever there is violence or pain inflicted on others, that your presence would come to bring an end to it.
- **We pray for the upcoming election in November.** Guide the election in your ways and will, O Lord. And for whomever is elected inspire them to be servants of the community, following after you, the one who came to serve and not be served. Help surround them with Godly counsel to govern in Godly ways.
- **Support those who are burdened by illness or disability and those who health is failing as they age.** Give them courage in their trials, and meet the needs of all those known to us in special situations

ZOOM BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS

Amen

What is the definition of the word Amen? What do you think of when you hear the word Amen? What, if anything, in the sermon changed your perspective on the word Amen?

In the sermon, I share some examples of “living amens.” What does it mean to be a living amen? How does Christ being the first amen give us support to be “living amens” to this world?

Read 2 Corinthians 1:12-22. In verses 15-16 we see that Paul had to change his plans and this made people question the validity of his word, “Was he saying yes or no?” Are there times where things we do make people question the validity of God’s word?

In verses 19-20 we see Paul’s response. What does Paul mean when he says that Jesus, who was preached among them, was “Yes?” How is it a comfort to you that all the promises of God are yes in Jesus Christ?

Looking again at verse 20, what is significant about the Amen being spoken through Jesus for the glory of God? How does this remind us of where our ability to confess the Creed and live out our faith comes from?

What were some of your biggest takeaways from this Credo series? How might it impact the way you live out your faith moving forward?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Coming Up?

Next week we gather to start a new series called, "Pressing On." Press on: That's the phrase that is driving us next week, and it is driving this whole series. Press on. We will see what allows Paul to press on and at the end of the 5 weeks of this series we will see where pressing on in Christ ultimately leads us. So please join us streaming or in-person at 10am as we press on and praise the Lord through all things.

Zoom Bible Study—Join us at 7 PM on Wednesday

Zoom Bible Study continues this week on Wednesday at 7 PM and this week we are going to be wrapping up our series Credo. We will ponder the word "Amen" and what it means for our lives moving forward. We thank you in advance for joining us and using this means of fellowship. We also want to mention that, having just gone through a long series, we will take a one week break on October 7th to recharge our batteries. Then on October 14th we will focus on the first two weeks of our Pressing On series. Finally, that week we will have a morning session, so stay tuned for when that will be.

CARDSTOCK IS HAPPENING!

For the next month we will be doing an outreach project where we write cards of encouragement to folks at Wesley Homes and a few to shut-ins within our church! There are groups of 5 cards in the lobby please take a group and write notes of encouragement to people. While you might not know their names, you can share hope and joy still! Finally, if you have blank cards you would like to donate we have a box in the lobby for collecting them. Please let us know if you have any questions!

Financial Update

The pandemic has caused an understandable decrease in giving, however it has also caused a decrease in expenses. Primarily, we are not having to restock consumables, and there is less janitorial work to be done since the building is not seeing much use. That may increase as the year progresses if restrictions are lifted. To sum it up, total giving is currently on pace for about \$190,000 and expenses are on pace for about \$200,000. This does not include the kitchen remodel which came from a separate fund set up last year. We also did not qualify for any funds through the small business relief earlier this year. In closing, we thank you and continue to ask that you faithfully support the ministry of RLC through this tough time.

BUDGET REPORT

Budgeted Income				\$230,599.54
Projected End of Year Income at current giving rate				\$186,255.98
Projected Spending at current rate				\$198,531.37
Weekly income required to meet 2020 budget obligations going forward				\$6,749.24
Weekly income required to meet Projected Spending				\$4,458.66
Actual average weekly income				\$3,581.85

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