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Resurrection
LUTHERAN CHURCH



Speaking Truth

Ephesians 4:15-16, 25-5:2

- August 8, 2021 -

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

10:00 am– Worship Service

WHAT TO EXPECT

- ◆ **Masks are optional for fully vaccinated people.** If you are not fully vaccinated we ask that you still wear your mask in accordance with local and national guidelines.
- ◆ **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 you are coming down with one for at least 14 days after your full recovery.** Family members should not attend either.
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **We will no longer be doing a temperature check at church, but do ask you to self monitor your temperature at home before coming to church.**

August 8, 2021 10:00 am Service

PRELUDE

Please be quiet during the prelude to help set a worshipful tone for those worshipping online.

“Arabesque” ... *Louis Vierne*

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

INVOCATION

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

C: Amen.

OPENING HYMN

“The Lord, My God, Be Praised” *LSB 794*

The Lord, my God, be praised,
My light, my life from heaven;
My maker, who to me
Has soul and body given;
My Father, who will shield
And keep me day by day
And make each moment yield
New blessings on my way.

The Lord, my God, be praised,
My trust, my life from heaven,
The Father's own dear Son,
Whose life for me was given,
Who for my sin atoned
With His most precious blood
And gives to me by faith
The highest heav'nly good.

The Lord, my God, be praised,
My hope, my life from heaven,
The Spirit, whom the Son
In love to me has given.
His grace revives my heart
And gives my spirit pow'r,
Help, comfort, and support
In sorrow's gloomy hour.

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The Lord, my God, be praised,
My God, the ever-living,
To whom the heav'nly host
Their laud and praise are giving.
The Lord, my God, be praised,
In whose great name I boast,
God Father, God the Son,
And God the Holy Ghost.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Lord, the eyes of all look to You in hope; and You give them what they need. You open Your hand and satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing. We, too, turn to You again, longing to be filled—to eat of the Bread of Life, to drink from Your life-giving streams, to taste Your goodness and live. May the time we spend together in Your presence nourish our hearts and minds; may it strengthen our relationship with You, and renew our commitment to live in this world as Your faithful disciples. For You alone are God, the Source and Sustainer of life. In Jesus' name...

C: Amen!

ORDER OF CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: O Lord of Truth in Love,

C: Please forgive me when I have told the "painful truth" to win arguments, to hurt feelings, or to impress others. Please forgive me for the times I exaggerated, distorted, or lied. I want my words to be simple and tender, truthful and loving. I want others to see Your grace in the way I speak to them. So please forgive me all my sins against You and my neighbors as I strive to speak words that are both loving and truthful in Your name!

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Now that we have let go of the pain, the bitterness, the anger of our lives, let us be kind, tender-hearted, and gentle towards each other, forgiving as God has forgiven us. We are God's beloved children, and will model God's grace, truth, and love in our hearts. Thanks be to God we are forgiven all our sins in the name of the Father, Son, + and Holy Spirit!

C: Amen!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

First Reading: Ephesians 4:15-16, 25-5:2

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

INSTRUMENTAL HYMN

"Nun Danket" ... Georg Frederick Kaufmann

GOSPEL READING

Gospel Reading: John 6:35, 41-51

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

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

THE 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 HYMN

“Where Charity and Love Prevail” *LSB 845 verses 1, 3-6*

Where charity and love prevail,
There God is ever found;
Brought here together by Christ's love,
By love are we thus bound.

Forgive we now each other's faults
As we our faults confess;
And let us love each other well
In Christian holiness.

Let strife among us be unknown,
Let all contention cease;
Be God's the glory that we seek,
Be ours God's holy peace.

Let us recall that in our midst
Dwells God's begotten Son;
As members of His body joined,
We are in Christ made One.

For love excludes no race or clan
That names the Savior's name;
His family embraces all
Whose Father is the same.

MESSAGE

Speaking Truth

Ephesians 4:15-16, 25-5:2

Pastor Matthew Mantey

REFLECTIVE MUSIC

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

PRAISE SONGS

"Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly"

It all comes down to this
What you require of me
Love my neighbor as myself
And You above all things

Chorus

Act justly love mercy walk humbly
With You God
In all things in all ways walk humbly
With You God

It all comes down to this
To be Your hands and feet
Good news to all the world
The truth will set us free

Bridge

It's beauty for ashes
It's mourning to dancing
It's closer and closer
The Kingdom of heaven

Years from now we'll see
The fruit our hands have sown
Faith just like a seed
The only way it grows

"Good, Good Father"

I've heard a thousand stories
Of what they think You're like
But I've heard the tender whisper
Of love in the dead of night
You tell me that You're pleased
And that I'm never alone

Chorus

You're a Good Good Father
It's who You are
It's who You are
It's who You are
And I'm loved by You
It's who I am
It's who I am
It's who I am

I've seen many searching for answers
Far and wide
But I know we're all searching for answers
Only You provide
Because You know just what we need
Before we say a word

Bridge

You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways
You are perfect in all of Your ways to us

Love so undeniable I can hardly speak
Peace so unexplainable I can hardly think
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
As You call me deeper still
Into love love love

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

“Glorious One”

Our hands are lifted high
Our hearts are bowing in rev'rence
And we're surrounded by
The glory of Your presence
With ev'ry creature ev'ry tongue
We're lifting our voice to the Glorious One

Chorus 1

Glorious One Glorious One
Light of the world
You outshine the sun
King of all kings eternity sings
Glorious One

Oh God of infinite worth
With hands that carved out the ocean
You hold the universe
And still You run to the broken
With ev'ry heart that's been redeemed
We're lifting our song to the Glorious King

Bridge

There is none more beautiful
There is none more wonderful yeah

Chorus 2

Glorious One Glorious One
Light of the world
You outshine the sun
King of all kings eternity sings
Glorious One Glorious One
Jesus You're the Glorious One

POSTLUDE

During the postlude please remain quiet in your seats or move into the lobby to have conversation to help keep it worshipful for those watching online.

“Tocatta-Postlude on Nun Danket” ... Austin Lovelace



SERVING IN WORSHIP

Pastor:	Matthew Mantey
A/V Techs:	John Lambuth, Melina Mantey
Elder:	Bob Rothwell
Organist:	Carl Kishline
Reader:	Melina Mantey
Worship Team:	Chris Linderman

SERMON NOTES

Speaking Truth—4:15-16, 25-5:2

PRAYERS & PRAISES

Praise God:

- **We celebrate you, Our Living Word, that you always speak the truth in love to us with your Gospel!** May we share this hope-filled truth in love with all we do and all the people we interact with as we are geared up for life!
- **Thank you for giving your Son Jesus Christ as our life-giving bread from heaven.** Thank you for the uniqueness of his identity as both true God and true man, and for his matchless work of salvation. Ground your church firmly in this wonderful truth, and preserve us from damaging error.
- **We praise you the ability to travel and explore the wonder of this creation you have made.** We pray travel safety over all in our congregation traveling and pray your love would shine through their travels. We also lift up all who work in the travel industry that you would keep them safe and healthy!
- **Lord, I give thanks for the decade you have called me to pastor here at RLC.** We all give thanks for these 10 years as the Gospel has been proclaimed and it has brought Jesus to people, people to Jesus. May God bless this pastoral ministry with abundant blessings and with many more years. May I always be carried by the joy of Jesus in this ministry.

In Our Prayers:

- **O Lord of truth in love, whose message to us has always been that our relationship to you is inextricably related to how we treat our sisters and brothers, bend low your spirit this day and touch us with your power.** Wean us from our tendency to nurture perceived slights and to put hot coals to our anger. Wean us from negativity and from becoming bitter whether or not we think we are justified in our feelings. Wean us from the all too human and common tendency to gossip about others and to slander them in any way. And Wean us from carrying malice in our hearts and from giving in to anything that would poison relationships with others. Give us a consistent kindness and compassion for others. Teach us once again about your redeeming grace in order that we may learn, however slowly and however tentatively, how to forgive others.
- **Watch over the public discourse of our nation, and keep our press, governments, and public institutions open and honest.** Bring success to our daily work, and keep our workplaces free from malice and hatred. Have mercy Lord, and use your people to get the gospel out in truth and converting power.
- **You fed Elijah in the wilderness, and he journeyed forty days in the strength of that food.** Grant the bread of health and salvation to all who dwell in the wilderness of suffering. Strengthen them in their pilgrimage. Surround them with compassion and encouragement. Keep them steadfast in faith and strong in hope.

Weekly Personal Study Guide Speaking Truth

Read Ephesians 4:15-16, 25-5:2. What does it mean to speak the truth in love? What happens if you disconnect the two? Why are both critically important, not only for our faith lives, but the way we interact with others?

Looking at verse 25 think about this question. In the age of information, misinformation, and disinformation, what might Paul be advising us today as those who put away falsehoods?

How easy or hard is it for you to share a difficult or hard truth to someone else? Why is that the case for you?

Of the admonitions that Paul gives in verses 26-32, which do you find to be the hardest? Why is that the case for you?

How might all of these contribute to a community of believers that imitates God?

How might the church be thought of differently by the community around the church if we were intentional about having the kind of community with attributes described in this passage?

What might it look like for you to live more consciously of being an imitator of God?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

What's Coming Up-We Focus On How Giving Thanks Helps Us Be Geared Up For Life!

Make sure to join us next week at 8:30 and 10:30 am to continue to get geared up for life. We will be focusing on Ephesians 5:15-20. And as we look at it we see it is a call to remember all that the Lord has given us and give thanks. When do we give thanks? This brief text sums up with "giving thanks to God the Father at all times." At all times! So join us next week to have a Thanksgiving service here in the middle of August in person or on Facebook @ <https://www.facebook.com/rlcdesmoineswa> at 8:30 or 10:30 am!

Doubleheader Sunday—Next Sunday at 8:30 and 10:30 am

Make sure to mark your calendars next Sunday for our Doubleheader Services at 8:30 and 10:30am! Also make sure to come for fellowship in between services! During service itself we will be looking at how we are called to give thanks to the Lord at all times, and not just at Thanksgiving!

The August Newsletter Is Out!

The August Newsletter was emailed out to everyone this past week. If you would like a paper copy they are in the Lobby.

Looking For Readers

We are looking to expand our pool of readers for Sunday morning. If you would like to serve in this amazing way of reading God's Word please let Suzy Lindeke know and she will get you on the schedule! Thanks!

Stewardship Thoughts—Ephesians 4:28

"Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need." God gives us honest work to do so that we can be a blessing to others. That's how so many of God's blessings go. He gives to us so that we in turn can be a blessing to others. He graciously calls us into the midst of His own work in the world.

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