#### Resurrection Lutheran Church

A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America 4301 Browns Point Blvd NE Tacoma, WA 98422



#### **Our Mission Statement**

Grounded in the Word, we *Gather* in Grace *Grow* in Faith and *Go* with love to change the world!

## We are a Reconciling in Christ Congregation

As such, we uphold the words of the Apostle Paul: "In Christ, there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28) Christ has made us all one. We believe that this oneness extends to all persons regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identities, or religious, economic, or political affiliation.

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# 10:00 Worship April 21, 2024 The Fourth Sunday of Easter

## Welcome

Gathering Song: He is Alive

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

We gather in the name of the + Triune God:

The Word from the beginning, our Creator; the word made flesh, now risen from the dead, Jesus Christ, our Savior; and the Spirit, who breathes the word into our hearts.

Amen

Opening Song: Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing! (ELW 385)

### Opening Prayer

Gracious God,

Grant us patience, as you are patient, waiting, hoping, expecting, never forcing. Grant us kindness, as you are kind. Generous, compassionate, gentle, always overflowing. Grant us love, as you are loving. Trusting, enduring, self-giving. Grant us your life, as you would have us live Journeying into wholeness, joy, and peace.

Amen

### Glory to God

## **Reading:** 1 John 3:16-24

<sup>1</sup>We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. <sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

<sup>18</sup>Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by **this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him** <sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; <sup>22</sup>and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

<sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Announcement of the Reading of the Gospel: John 10:11-18

Gospel Acclamation: Halle, Halle, Hallelujah (ELW 172)

## The Reading of the Holy Gospel:

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.

<sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# Children's Message and Noisy Offering

## **Homily**

Song: Shepherd Me, O God (ELW 780)

## The Prayers of the Church

We pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their need.

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and reigns as Lord of life. Increase in our hearts and minds the hope of life we share in Christ both now, and in the day to come.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Be with all who have occasions of joy, especially . . . Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

Be with all in need of healing, especially . . . Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

Be with all who grieve, especially . . . Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.** 

O Lord, God of life,

as you care for all creation, give us your peace. May our security come not from weapons, but from respect; may our strength come not from violence, but from love; may our wealth come not from money, but from sharing; may our path be one not of ambition, but of self-giving; may our victory not be one of revenge, but of forgiveness.

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen** 

# Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

## **Offering**

Offering Song: The Lord is My Shepherd

### **Holy Communion**

The Lord be with you! And also with you!
Lift up your hearts! We lift them up unto the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise!
It is truly right and good, evermore praising you, and singing.
Holy, Holy, Holy

# The 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 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

### Reception of the Meal

<u>Songs</u>: The King of Love My Shepherd is (ELW 502); Have No Fear, Little Flock (ELW 764)

# Communion Blessing

#### **Announcements**

Song: You Are My All in All

Benediction: Go Now in Peace

#### Sending

Go in peace to serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!
And All God's people saidAmen!

Sign-ups to help are in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you to all for your help last service.

Next week April 28: Altar Flowers:\_\_\_Assist Pastor:\_\_\_

Children's Sermon:\_\_\_Greeter:\_\_\_; Communion Prep:\_\_\_PowerPoint:\_\_\_ Coffee hosts:\_\_\_

Happy Birthday Minda, and JT! We Give Thanks for You!

Check out our April and May Newsletter on the website.

Pr Karen is out of the office on Tuesdays from 11:30-2:15 for Continuing Ed.

Holly will be out of the office April 25th and possibly the week of the 29th, she is having surgery.

<u>Book study!</u> – We are beginning a book study "Breathing Under Water: Spirituality and the 12 Steps" by Richard Rohr. All are welcome to join. The study will be offered starting May 2<sup>nd</sup>, on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of the month at 3pm, and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the Monday of the month at 6:30 via Zoom starting on May 5<sup>th</sup>. You can purchase the book on Amazon.

We welcome back the Ashley House on the following dates: 12:30-4:30 4/30, 5/7, 5/14, 5/28 and 6/4.

# Mark your calendar for upcoming events!

<u>Senior Healthcare Resource Fair, May 18<sup>th</sup>:</u> Please spread the news to the community, there will be community resources, speakers, CPR certification class (ask Holly for details), and more!

-Parking lot sale, June 21<sup>st</sup> (12-4), and 22<sup>nd</sup> (9-3). Please hold items at your home as we don't have storage space at the church. If you would like to help out, speak with Elvira.

#### Continued prayers:

Steve S. (recovering from a fall). Steve (Wes's stepdad for medical issues). Jessica Green (Friend of Doolittle family). Linda Varner (Sheila's good friend). Karen K's sister-in-law, she has been diagnosed with multiple melanoma. Kathy (Ed's sister). Keep Nikki (knee surgery) in your prayers. Mary. Tiffany and her family (Gail's daughter in law). Laurel (Len T's sister). Rob (Lynne's brother). Josephine H. Ann (Gail's sister-in-law). Hans (Cindy and Bill's brother-in-law).

#### Sunday, April 21

#### Fourth Sunday of Easter

10:00: In-Sanctuary and Online Worship Join us for fellowship after worship, all are welcome!

Monday, April 22

9:00-1:00: Office Hours

#### Tuesday, April 23

### Pr. Karen out of office - cont. education

9:00-1:00: Office Hours

9:30: Worship and music meeting

2:30: Jump Into Music

6:00: AA

## Wednesday, April 24

**9:00-1:00:** Office Hours

9:30: Worship Team Practice

**4:00-5:00:** JIM Lessons

#### Thursday, April 25

9:00-1:00: Office Hours

10:00: Quilting

### Friday, April 26

1:00: JIM

#### Saturday, April 27

#### Sunday, April 28

#### Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:00: In-Sanctuary and Online

Fellowship after worship!

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Office hours Mon. - Thurs. 9:00-1:00