

Resurrection Lutheran Church
A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
October 26, 2025



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.

Ancestral Homelands

"We are gathered at this assembly on the original and ancestral homelands of the Coastal Salish peoples. We give thanks for their presence here since time immemorial. We also wish to recognize and honor all our Indigenous siblings who have and continue to call this land their home. Let us remember the Indigenous peoples and tribal nations who were the first to love, pray, grow, celebrate, cry, drum, dance and sing upon these lands."

10:00 Worship
October 26, 2025
Reformation Sunday

Welcome

Gathering Song: *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* (ELW 597)

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Opening Song: *A Mighty Fortress is Our God* (ELW 503)

God calls us to reform. Our hope for doing so is in God's mercy, poured upon us in Jesus Christ, our Lord. And so, by that mercy, we pray:

Reflection

Merciful and loving God,

Give us eyes to see where we need reformation: Where we hold care back in fear or apathy; Where we hold tightly to treasure in worry or greed; Where we have caused pain and grief to those we love; Where we have used power with no thought of how our actions affect those without it; Where we have not claimed the power of your for our own lives.

A Time for Silence for Reflection

For all we have fallen short, give us grace for renewal, will to seek you, hope for new life.

Promise of Forgiveness

In Christ, you are forgiven. Walk by his grace. Live by his mercy. Build your life through and by his ways.

This is the Feast

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea; though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day. **The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.** The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

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Come now, regard the works of the Lord, what desolations God has brought upon the earth; behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.” The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

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Reading: Romans 3:19-28

Now we know that, whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. **But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe.** For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus. Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded.

Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. **For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law.**
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Announcement of the Reading of the Gospel: *John 8:31-38*

Gospel Acclamation

The Reading of the Holy Gospel

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.” They answered him, “We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, ‘You will be made free?’” Jesus answered them, “Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. **So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.**”
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Children’s Message and Noisy Offering

Song: *Love, love, love*

Homily

Song: *Born, Reborn*

Confession of Faith: *Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
Eternally begotten of the Father God from God,
Light from Light, True God from True God, begotten,
Not made, of one Being with the Father
Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation
He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the
Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom
Will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds
From the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son
Is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in only holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen

The Prayers of the Church

Renewed in God's everlasting grace, let us pray for the church, the world, and all creation. Free your whole church on earth, O God, with grace, mercy, and love to be transformed by your word. Direct us in word and deed so that all creation knows the transforming power of the gospel.
God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Where life insists that we justify ourselves, by ourselves, for ourselves, let us be constantly renewed by the promise that we are justified in Christ, by him, through him, for him.
God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Bring peace among the nations, O God, Let violence and terror cease. Inspire leaders of communities to work for peace and justice. Renew and direct our politicians with purpose and will for the good of all, the life of all~ not for their own power and place.
God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

Heal all who suffer, O God, and bring them peace. Give hope to people experiencing housing or employment insecurity, oppression, or discrimination. Heal those who are ill. especially . . . Be hope for those who grieve, especially . . . Be our stronghold at all times.

God of grace, **receive our prayer.**

We offer our prayers, O God, trusting in your everlasting grace and mercy, through 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: *Making Their Way*

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***

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 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

Come and Eat the Meal of Grace!

Reception of the Meal

Songs: *Jesus Loves Me; Jubilee*

Announcements

Benediction—Song - Prayer of Good Courage

O God, You have called us to ventures where we cannot see the end,
By paths never yet taken, through perils unknow.
Give us good courage. Not knowing where we go, to know what your hand is leading us
Wherever we might go. Amen.

Song: *Amazing Grace My Chains Are Gone*

Sending

Go in peace to serve the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**
And All God's people said- **Amen!**

Announcements

Happy Birthday Anna Rose and Jennifer J!

As you are able, please remember a donation to the Mission Endowment in honor of your birthday or to honor another's birthday.

Today

11:45 – Rise of Fascism video

3:00 – Book study

Looking for a way to liven up your spiritual life? Join us for Prayer Tidbits on zoom, Mondays at 7 pm. This is an opportunity to pray for your concerns, the concerns of RLC, the concerns of the worldwide church, and anything else brought along.

Zoom ID: 279 362 6486 Zoom password: Prayer

Trunk or Treat Event, October 31, 5:30 -7: Feel free to sign up and help with this fun event!

WELCA Bazaar, November 14 and 15th: Please consider donating items for the bazaar. Baked goods, candy, plants, soaps, candles, etc. There is a sign-up sheet on the welcome table. Also if you know of anyone who may be interested in a table space please speak with Gail.

End of year reports - It's hard to believe but...it is almost that time. If you are a committee lead, please start working on your end of year report. They are due by **December 1**. Please email or turn into the office.

Continued prayers:

Ric and his family (mourning the passing of Ric's mother-in-law). Steve and Nikki. Maria (Cindy's mom), has a brain tumor and potential cancer (unconfirmed) which is causing several health issues. Kim. Wes and Dot. Scott (Jim and Judy's son) recovering from spinal fusion surgery. Gail's, daughter in law, Tiffany. Marion. Bill O.

<u>Sunday, October 26</u> 10:00: In-Sanctuary and Online 11:45: "The Rise of Fascism" film 3:00: Book study <i>Join us for fellowship after worship, all are welcome!</i> <u>Monday, October 27</u> 12:00: Al-anon 1:30: Prayer Vigil planning meeting 6:00 – 8:00: Jump into music 7:00: Prayer tidbits on Zoom <u>Tuesday, October 28</u> 9:00-1:00: Office Hours 3:45-4:15: Jump into music lessons 6:00: AA <u>Wednesday, October 29</u> 9:00-1:00: Office Hours 9:30: Worship team practice	<u>Thursday, October 30</u> 10:00: Quilting 3:00 - 3:30: Jump into music <u>Friday, October 31</u> 5:30-7:00: Trunk or Treat Event <u>Saturday, November 1</u> 8:00: Jump into music lesson <u>Sunday, November 2 (Daylight Savings Time Ends)</u> 10:00: In-Sanctuary and Online 11:30: Outreach meeting 1:00: Cards and games 3:00: Book study
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