

Resurrection Lutheran Church  
A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
January 18, 2026



**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  
January 18, 2026

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Welcome

Gathering Song: *Song of God Among Us*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters. **Amen**

Opening Song: *Arise, Your Light Has Come! (ELW 314)*

The Lord be with you. **And also with you!**

Gracious Lord, move through us through the power of the Holy Spirit to come and see all that is given to us in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen**

Psalm

1 I waited patiently upon the Lord, who stooped to me and | heard my cry.  
2 **The Lord lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a high cliff, making my footing sure.** 3 The Lord put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God; many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord. 4 **Happy are they who trust in the Lord! They do not turn to enemies or to those who follow lies.** 5 Great are the wonders you have done, O Lord my God! In your plans for us, none can be compared with you! Oh, that I could make them known and tell them! But they are more than I can count.  
6 **Sacrifice and offering you do not desire; you have opened my ears: burnt-offering and sin-offering you have not required.** 7 And so I said, “Here I | am; I come. In the scroll of the book it is written of me: 8 **‘I love to do your will, O my God; your law is deep within me.’**” 9 I proclaimed righteousness in the great assembly; I have not restrained my lips, O Lord, you know.

10 I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart; I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance; I have not concealed your steadfast love and truth from the great assembly. 11 You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me; may your steadfast love and your truth continually keep me safe. (*Psalm 40:1-11*)

## Kyrie

### Now the Feast and Celebration

**Reading:** *Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9*

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, 2 To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: 3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, 5 for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind 6 just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you 7 so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. 8 **He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.** 9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The promise of God. **Thanks be to God!**

**Announcement of the Gospel:** *John 1:29-42*

**Gospel Acclamation:** *Gospel Verse*

### Reading of the Gospel

John the Baptist] saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!<sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” <sup>32</sup> And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him.

33 I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ 34 And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One.”

35 The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, 36 and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” 37 The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 38 When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” 39 He said to them, “**Come and see.**” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. 40 One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41 **He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah”** (which is translated Anointed). 42 He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called **Cephas**” (which is translated Peter).

The promise of God. **Thanks be to God!**

### Children’s Message and Noisy Offering

Song: *Glory and Praise to Our God*

*Noisy Offering will be given to ELCA Disaster Relief*

### Homily

Song: *Light My Step*

### Confession of Faith

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

### **The Prayers of the Church**

Lord, in your mercy; **Hear our prayer.**

Into your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your 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**

**Song:** *As the Grains of Wheat (ELW 465)*

### **The Lord's Supper**

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 our duty and delight that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise  
to you O God, through Jesus Christ; who is your light made manifest to all the  
nations; and so with the church on earth; all creation and the host of heaven, we  
praise your name, and join in their unending hymn: *Holy, Holy, Holy*

### **The Words of Institution**

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. Amen Come, Lord Jesus.  
**Amen, Come Lord Jesus; Amen, Come Lord Jesus.**

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that all of your promises may come to us and your whole creation.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit. Come, Holy Spirit  
**Amen, come Holy Spirit. Amen, Come Holy Spirit**

Make us bold, Gracious God, to name you as our Abba, as we pray:

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name;  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom the power, and the glory are yours,  
now and forever, Amen**

### Reception of the Meal

**Songs:** *Come and See; Will You Let Me Be Your Servant (ELW 659)*

### Announcements

#### **Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
The Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious to you;  
The Lord look upon you with favor, and give you peace. **Amen**

**Song:** *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ (ELW 674)*

## Sending

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

## Announcements

Happy Birthday Trey K.! (*As you are able, please remember a donation to the Mission Endowment in honor of your birthday or to honor another's birthday.*)

**Holly will be on vacation all week, the office phone will be forwarded to Pastor Karen's cell phone.**

**Today:** 1:00 - Cards and games

3:00 - Book study (Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book "*Life Together*")

**Tomorrow, Noon - 12:30:** Come ring bells for Peace! We are encouraging everyone to come and join in!

**Annual reports are available now to review, please pick up a copy today!**

**January 25<sup>th</sup> at Noon - Annual Congregational meeting**

Please plan on attending our annual meeting, that will take place right after worship.

## Coming up:

**Tomorrow at 7:00 pm** - Prayer tidbits (Zoom ID: 279 362 6486 Zoom password: Prayer)

**Tuesday at 9:30** - Worship and music meeting

**February 15 at 5 pm** - Join us for a Mardi Gras dinner!

**February 25<sup>th</sup>** - Lent Soup Suppers and Services begin, there is a sign-up sheet to bring soup and bread.

## Continued prayers:

Fred and Sherry V. ( friends of the congregation) for healing, comfort and strength.

Mary, recovering from a fall. Bud and his wife Vicki (friend of Gail's) Bud is fighting prostate cancer. Kathy G. several medical tests. Holden village. Don (Kathleen's brother) chemo treatment. Tiffany (Gail's, daughter in law) lesion on her brain. Krista (Jennifer's friend) for knee issues. Stanette for her health. Sylvia (hip surgery, and pain, prayers for healing). Steve and Nikki. Maria (Cindy's mom), for improved health. Kim. Wes and Dot. Scott (Jim and Judy's son) recovering from spinal fusion surgery. Marion. Bill O.

<p><u><i>Sunday, January 18</i></u>  10:00: In-Sanctuary and Online  1:00: Cards and games  3:00: Book study <i>Join us for fellowship after worship, all are welcome!</i></p> <p><u><i>Monday, January 19 – MLK office closed</i></u>  Noon – 12:30: Ringing bells for peace  6:00 – 8:00: Jump into music  7:00: Prayer tidbits on Zoom</p> <p><u><i>Tuesday, January 20</i></u>  9:30: Worship and music meeting  3:45-4:15: Jump into music lessons  6:00: AA</p> <p><u><i>Wednesday, January 21</i></u>  9:30: Worship and music practice</p>	<p><u><i>Thursday, January 22</i></u>  10:00: Quilting  3:00 – 3:30: Jump into music</p> <p><u><i>Friday, January 23</i></u>  Office closed</p> <p><u><i>Saturday, January 24</i></u>  8:00-9:00: Jump into music lesson</p> <p><u><i>Sunday, January 25</i></u>  10:00: In-Sanctuary and Online  12:00: Annual Congregational meeting</p>
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