

Resurrection Lutheran Church
A Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
May 17, 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
May 17, 2026

Gathering Song: *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (ELW 752)*

Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed!**
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Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!
Amen

Opening Song: *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing (ELW 362, vs 1, 6, 7, and 8)*

Responsive Reading

1 Let God arise, and let God's enemies be scattered; let those who hate God flee. 2 As smoke is driven away, so you should drive them away; as the wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God. **3 But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; let them also be merry and joyful.** 4 Sing to God, sing praises to God's name; exalt the one who rides the clouds; I Am is that name, rejoice before God! **5 In your holy habitation O God, you are a father to orphans, defender of widows;** 6 you give the solitary a home and bring forth prisoners into freedom; but the rebels shall live in desert places. 7 **O God, when you went forth before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,** 8 **the earth quaked, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.** 9 You sent a bountiful rain, O God; you restored your inheritance when it languished. **10 Your people found their home in it; in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor.** 32 Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord. **33 You ride in the heavens, O God, in the ancient heavens; you send forth your voice, your mighty voice.**

34 Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; whose strength is in the skies. 35 **How wonderful you are in your holy places, O God of Israel, giving strength and power to your people! Blessed be God!**

(Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35 NRSV)

Song: *This is the Feast (ELW p. 187, setting 8)*

Prayer of the Day

O God, you not only call us to pray, asking anything in your Son's name– you would also have us hear that he prays for us. So let us pray. So let us hear him praying. We pray in the name of Jesus, your only Son, our Lord.

Amen

Reading: *Acts 6:1-14 (NRSV)*

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” 7 He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” 9 When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10 While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. 11 They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

12 Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. 13 When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying: Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. 14 All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

Announcement of the Gospel: *John 17:1-11 (NRSV)*

Gospel Acclamation: *ELW p. 188, setting 8*

Reading of the Holy Gospel:

After Jesus had spoken these words [to his disciples, he looked up to heaven and said, “**Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, 2 since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. 3 And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. 4 I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. 5 So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.**

6 “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. 7 Now they know that everything you have given me is from you, 8 for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you, and they have believed that you sent me. 9 I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. 10 All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I have been glorified in them. 11 And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. **Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”**

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Children’s Message and Noisy Offering

Song: *Celtic Alleluia (ELW 174)*

Homily

Song: *You Are Mine (ELW 581)*

Call to Prayer and Trust

Where I despair of good in the world.

God the Creator calls me to hear and trust that all life was created good,
That God is the provider of all I need to support my life,
And that where there is danger, God works to defend me from it;
And Where there is evil, God works to deliver me from it.
So may I hear and confess gracious God!

Where I wonder if God is with me,

God, made flesh in Jesus, calls me to hear and trust
That in Christ's cross and resurrection,
I am forgiven, I am beloved, I am promised resurrection and life,
And that Christ walks beside me and lives within me,
Through Thick or Thin, Good or Bad, Life, or Death.
So may I hear and confess gracious God!

Where I doubt my will to believe,

God, moving through the Holy Spirit,
Promises to give the gift of faith.
So may I hear and confess gracious God!

Prayers of the Church

Merciful God, Receive our prayers.

Into your hands, Gracious God, we give all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy,
through Jesus Christ, our Risen Savior. Amen

Sharing of the Peace

Offering

Special music: *Thy Holy Wings*

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 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

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 to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

Reception of the Meal

Songs: *Let My Prayers Rise Up (ELW 232); Lord, Be Glorified (ELW 744)*

Prayer

Holy One,

through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus, whose body and blood we have received. **Amen**

Announcements

Blessing

God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our comforter and our peace, ✠ bless you now and forever.

Amen

Song: *Send Me, Lord (ELW 809)*

Sending

Go in peace to serve the Lord! **Thanks be to God!**

And All God's people said- **Amen!**

Announcements

Happy Birthday Pastor Karen and Bill O.!

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

Monthly Birthday Potluck – This Thursday, May 21 at 12:30. It will be held at **Pastor Karen's House**, all are welcome!

Tomorrow: 7:00 – Prayer tidbits on Zoom. ID: 279 362 6486 Zoom password: Prayer

Thursday: 10:00 Rip 'n' stitch quilters, 12:30 Birthday Lunch **at Pastor Karen's**

Saturday: Building is in use

June 26-27, Church rummage sale – Mark your calendar for our annual sale.

Sunday, July 19th! We're going to the Rainier's game. Please sign up on the sign up sheet, and write a check to the church for \$15.50/person (please put Rainiers game on memo).

This covers your ticket, hot dog, chips, and water. **Please Sign up and pay by June 1.**

Tickets will be sent electronically this year via email.

Pastor Karen will be out June 25th - July 9th for hip replacement surgery.

Continued prayers:

Cameron (Karen K's, Cousin's great grandson) recovering from motorcycle accident. Karen K's, granddaughter, Norah who has rheumatoid arthritis.

Continued prayers: Nancy D's, nephew Greg recovering from heart surgery, her 95-year-old sister, Donna who is in the hospital, and both of her daughters who are recovering from knee surgery. Steve (dealing with pain from stenosis). Neil (who is a friend of Sheila's friend) who is in hospice. Tiffany (Gail's, daughter in law) praise, she had a clean scan. Stanette for her health. Bud and his wife Vicki (friend of Gail's) Bud is fighting prostate cancer. Kathy G. prayers for health. Holden village. Maria (Cindy's mom), for improved health. Kim. Marion. Bill O.

<p><u>Sunday, May 17</u> 10:00: In-Sanctuary and Online 12:30: Food and Fellowship <i>Join us for fellowship after worship, all are welcome!</i></p> <p><u>Monday, May 18</u> 6:00 – 8:00: Jump into music lessons 7:00: Prayer tidbits on Zoom</p> <p><u>Tuesday, May 19</u> 3:45-4:15: Jump into music lesson 6:30: AA meeting</p> <p><u>Wednesday, May 20</u> 9:30: Worship team practice</p>	<p><u>Thursday, May 21</u> 10:00: Rip 'n' stitch Quilting 12:30: Birthday Potluck at Pastor Karen's House 3:00 – 3:30: Jump into music lesson 6:30: Council meeting</p> <p><u>Friday, May 22</u> 4:30 - 5:30: Jump into music 5:30: NA meeting</p> <p><u>Saturday, May 23</u> 10:00 - Noon: Learn to crochet</p> <p><u>Sunday, May 24</u> 10:00: In-Sanctuary and Online 1:00: Cards and games</p>
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