



Risen Christ Lutheran Church

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“Our churches teach that one holy Church is to remain forever. The Church is the congregation of saints [Psalm 149:1] in which the Gospel is purely taught and the Sacraments are correctly administered. For the true unity of the Church it is enough to agree about the doctrine of the Gospel and the administration of the Sacraments. It is not necessary that human traditions, that is, rites or ceremonies instituted by men, should be the same everywhere. As Paul says, ‘One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all’ (Ephesians 4:5-6).” Article VII, Augsburg Confession

ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION – (2nd & 4th Sundays) We believe: that Christ’s body and blood are truly present for forgiveness and spiritual strength, that God desires our sincere confession, continuous seeking and giving forgiveness and, that being genuine in taking Communion so that we not harm ourselves by taking it in an unworthy manner. If you believe the above, are a baptized believer who trusts in the death and resurrection of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins, and have examined yourself, you are welcome to commune with us. Please talk to Pastor if you have any questions. The bread is offered before the “individual” and “common” cups of wine. (Note: White Grape Juice is in the center of the tray.)

OFFERING – Through the offerings of His faithful people, our Lord provides for the ongoing work of His Church. If you are a visitor, we are glad that you came to be served by the Lord this day. If you choose to contribute to the ongoing work of the Gospel, we give thanks that God has moved you to contribute toward the work of sharing the Gospel here in Plymouth and around the world! You can also take advantage of Online Giving by visiting www.RisenChrist.info

A WORD TO OUR GUESTS – Welcome and thank you for coming. Brochures can be found at each door. Please complete a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate. Pastor will send you a welcome card. Please indicate that you "desire" a call for any further contact.

Large Print Bulletins – Available from an usher.

Listening Assistance Devices – Available at the Sound Booth.

Parent Room – A row of seating and plenty of area for standing or walking is available in the Welcome Area/Lobby (“Narthex”)

For Children – Children’s Book Cart for Worship: Available in the Welcome Area.

As We Gather – Today we gather to give thanks to Almighty God for all He has done and continues to do in and through our congregation of Risen Christ Lutheran Church.

Pre-service Music

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation and Profession of God's Faithfulness

- P** In the name of the Father, our Creator,
C **Who made us and all creatures and still preserves us.**
- P** In the name of God the Son, our Saviour,
C **Who has redeemed us from death and the power of the devil.**
- P** In the name of the Holy Spirit, our Comforter,
C **Who calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian Church on Earth.**
- P** Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all the generations. (*Psalm 90:1*)
C **You, O Lord, have been a dwelling place for us and our children.**

- P** Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. (*Psalm 90:2*)
- C** **You, O Lord, have been with us for these fifty-seven years!**
- P** God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. (*Psalm 46:1*)
- C** **You, O Lord, have been our refuge and our strength!**
- P** The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. (*Psalm 46:7, 11*)
- C** **You, O Lord, are the eternal One and we have trusted you.**
- P** Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. (*Lamentations 3:22, 23*)
- C** **You, O Lord, have been our faithful One!**
- P** Jesus said, "...I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." (*Matthew 16:18*)
- C** **You, O Lord, have built your church in this place and we have been blessed.**

MEN – Let us enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise!

WOMEN – Give thanks to Him and praise His name!

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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| <p>1. Praise to the Lord the Almighty
The King of creation
O my soul praise Him
For He is your health and salvation
Let all who hear now to His temple draw near
Joining in glad adoration</p> | <p>3. Praise to the Lord Who will prosper
Your work and defend you
Surely His goodness and mercy
Shall daily attend you
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
As with His love He befriends you</p> |
| <p>2. Praise to the Lord Who has fearfully
Wondrously made you
Health has bestowed and when
Heedlessly falling has stayed you
What need or grief ever has failed of relief
Wings of His mercy did shade you</p> | <p>4. Praise to the Lord
O let all that is in me adore Him
All that has life and breath
Come now with praises before Him
Let the Amen sound from His people again
Gladly forever adore Him</p> |

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed Be Your Name in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow –
Blessed be Your name
Blessed Be Your name when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness - Blessed Be Your name
Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say

***CHORUS: Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name***

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be - Blessed be Your name
Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering - Blessed be Your name
Every blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord still I will say ***CHORUS***

*You give and take away, You give and take away
My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be Your name 2x **CHORUS***

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Confession and Absolution

- P** "You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light." (1 Peter 2:9)
Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- C** **Lord, we like so many others who have called ourselves Your people for centuries have a way of taking Your salvation for granted. We use the Good News of Jesus to make ourselves appear to be better than others with whom we disagree. Teach us, dear Lord, that You would have all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of truth. Forgive our sins and cleanse us of unrighteousness. Teach us instead to do justice and to love kindness and to walk humbly with our God. (Micah 6:8)**
- P** In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- C** **Amen.**

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**
P Today, Oh Precious Lord, we look back at the blessings we've received, and we Give thanks.

WOMEN – Lord, for Your goodness and mercy when we are less than good, we give thanks.

MEN – For Your love and patience we lack the love that's needed, we give thanks.

WOMEN – For Your provision in times of need, whether we acknowledge You or not, Lord, we give thanks.

MEN – For leading and guiding us when we can't find our way, we give thanks.

C When we struggle to find the good in our lives, we rest in the fact that You are good.
Though our lives are far from perfect, you are perfecting us.
For Your ultimate sacrifice, redeeming us in our brokenness, we give thanks.
For all that You've done for us,
for all that You've done in us,
for all that You've done through us,
we give thanks to You lord.

P O God, we are grateful to You for choosing believers to be Yours through faith in Christ Jesus. Build up Your Church to be living stones built on the Cornerstone that all might proclaim the excellencies of You who have called us out of darkness into Your marvelous light; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

1 Kings 8:27–30

²⁷“But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you; how much less this house that I have built! ²⁸Yet have regard to the prayer of your servant and to his plea, O LORD my God, listening to the cry and to the prayer that your servant prays before you this day, ²⁹that your eyes may be open night and day toward this house, the place of which you have said, ‘My name shall be there,’ that you may listen to the prayer that your servant offers toward this place. ³⁰And listen to the plea of your servant and of your people Israel, when they pray toward this place. And listen in heaven your dwelling place, and when you hear, forgive.

P This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

Epistle

1 Peter 2:2–10

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation— ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in Scripture:

“Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious,
and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.”

⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe,

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,”

⁸and

“A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

L This is the Word of the Lord. **C** Thanks be to God.

The Church's One Foundation



1 The Church's one foun-da-tion Is Je-sus Christ, her Lord;
2 E-lect from ev-'ry na-tion, Yet one o'er all the earth;
3 Though with a scorn-ful won-der The world sees her op-pressed,



She is His new cre-a-tion By wa-ter and the Word.
Her char-ter of sal-va-tion: One Lord, one faith, one birth.
By schisms rent a-sun-der, By her-e-sies dis-tressed,



From heav'n He came and sought her To be His ho-ly bride;
One ho-ly name she bless-es, Par-takes one ho-ly food,
Yet saints their watch are keep-ing; Their cry goes up, "How long?"



With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.
And to one hope she press-es With ev-'ry grace en-dued.
And soon the night of weep-ing Shall be the morn of song.

5 Yet she on earth has union
With God, the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won.
O blessèd heav'nly chorus!
Lord, save us by Your grace
That we, like saints before us,
May see You face to face.

Nicene Creed

☩ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.

Verse

Alleluia. Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your name give glory, for the sake of Your steadfast love and Your faithfulness. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

John 17:17–24

P The Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter.

G **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

²⁰[Jesus said:] "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²²The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. ²⁴Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. **G** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

A Grateful Message of Thankfulness, Praise and Prayer

Give Thanks

***CHORUS – Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given
Jesus Christ His Son***

And now let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us

ENDING – Give thanks

My Tribute

How can I say thanks for the things
You have done for me
Things so undeserved
Yet You give to prove Your love for me
The voices of a million angels
Could not express my gratitude
All that I am and ever hope to be
I owe it all to Thee

***CHORUS: To God be the glory
To God be the glory
To God be the glory
For the things He has done
With His blood He has saved me
With His pow'r He has raised me
To God be the glory
For the things He has done***

BRIDGE: Just let me live my life
Let it be pleasing Lord to Thee
And should I gain any praise
Let it go to Calvary

***With His blood He has saved me
With His pow'r He has raised me
To God be the glory
For the things He has done***

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Prayer of the Church

P With all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, let us lift up our prayers before the Lord, saying, Lord, in Your mercy,

G **Hear our prayer.**

MEN - Let us pray for the whole Church that we may never take our calling in this world for granted, but to live humbled by God's making us into His chosen people. Lord, in Your mercy,

G **Hear our prayer.**

WOMEN - Let us pray for those who lead or teach us, not so we can let them do all the ministry for us, but to take seriously in each of our callings that God has chosen us to be a royal priesthood. Lord, in Your mercy,

G **Hear our prayer.**

MEN - Let us pray for this and every nation where people are called upon to give a reason for the hope that is within them, doing this with gentleness and respect as members of the Lord's holy nation that knows no boundaries. Lord, in Your mercy,

G **Hear our prayer.**

WOMEN - Let us pray for us to see Your calling every day in our own lives as Your Spirit enables us to proclaim the excellencies of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. Lord, in Your mercy,

G **Hear our prayer.**

MEN - Let us pray to rejoice with those who rejoice today, that their joy and ours may be full. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

WOMEN - Let us pray for those who are caregivers, that they may see in their time shared with others Your calling to sustain us as we live for others. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

MEN - Let us pray for the sick and suffering, to receive Your promise of powerful and effective healing as well as Your peace. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

WOMEN - Let us pray for those who mourn, that they may see and know that love never ends because You love us without end. Lord, in Your mercy,

C Hear our prayer.

P Blessings and honor and power and glory be to our God forever and ever.

C Amen.

Preface

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

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C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

In Your righteous judgment You condemned the sin of Adam and Eve, who ate the forbidden fruit, and You justly barred them and all their children from the tree of life. Yet, in Your great mercy, You promised salvation by a second Adam, Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, and made His cross a life-giving tree for all who trust in Him.

We give You thanks for the redemption You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink of the fruits of His cross and receive the blessings of forgiveness, life, and salvation that come to us in His body and blood.

Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My † body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

P In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My † blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

Proclamation of Christ

- P** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- C** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**
- P** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

Lord's Prayer

- C** **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.**

The Peace of the Lord

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always. **C** **Amen.**

Distribution

How Great Thou Art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed;

***REFRAIN – Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!***

But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin; ***REFRAIN***

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration

And there proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!" ***REFRAIN***

Be Thou My Vision

1. Be Thou my Vision
O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me
Save that Thou art
Thou my best thought
By day or by night
Waking or sleeping
Thy presence my light

2. Be Thou my Wisdom
And Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee
And Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father
I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling
And I with Thee one

3. Riches I heed not
Nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance
Now and always
Thou and Thou only
First in my heart
High King of heaven
My treasure Thou art

4. High King of heaven
My victory won
May I reach heaven's joys
Bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart
Whatever befall
Still be my Vision
O Ruler of all

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You Are My King (Amazing Love)

I'm forgiven
Because You were forsaken
I'm accepted
You were condemned
I'm alive and well
Your Spirit is within me
Because You died
And rose again

***CHORUS: Amazing love
How can it be
That You my King
Would die for me
Amazing love
I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
In all I do I honor You***

BRIDGE: You are my King
You are my King
Jesus You are my King
Jesus You are my King

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Offering – DURING THE OFFERING: Whether you are a visitor or a member, please turn in a Worship Card so we may know whom the Lord has served with His Word.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SERVICE TODAY

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

***CHORUS: Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name***

1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes ***CHORUS***

2. You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger
Your name is great, and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find ***CHORUS***

3. And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore ***CHORUS***

ENDING: Jesus, I'll worship Your holy name
Lord, I'll worship Your holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name
Jesus, I'll worship Your holy name
I'll worship Your holy name

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Benedicamus and Benediction

P Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

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. *Numbers 6:24–26*

C **Amen.**

Postlude Music

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